



The Community Foundation
of Western North Carolina

RICHARD M. ARNOLD SCHOLARSHIP

Fact Sheet

BACKGROUND

This scholarship was established by the family of Richard M. Arnold to honor him and his 45-year career in the x-ray and electro-medical field. Richard Arnold, a retired resident of Asheville, was a Mississippi native. He began work in 1930 as a trainee with the S & H X-Ray Company of Atlanta while a third year co-op student of electrical engineering at Georgia Tech. In 1933 he made Asheville his home while overseeing North and South Carolina as resident sales and service engineer for S & H. At that time there were more x-ray installations in Asheville than in any other city in the Carolinas due to the city's prominence as a center for tuberculosis treatment.

After working in Tennessee and Virginia, Arnold returned to North Carolina in 1941 at the beginning of World War II. As a partner with S & H, his responsibilities included civilian obligations as well as the installation, service and maintenance of x-ray equipment in military facilities throughout North and South Carolina. For twenty years following the war, Arnold continued to live in and work out of Asheville while S & H grew to serve states throughout the southeast.

In 1967 Richard Arnold moved to Atlanta when he became president and CEO of S & H X-Ray Company. In 1974, S & H was sold to North American Philips Medical Division and subsequently became a component of Philips Electronics.

Upon retirement in 1976, Arnold returned to Asheville but his retirement was short-lived. In 1977 Arnold bought the Spinalator Company of Asheville, which had been founded in 1936 to manufacture a professional roller massage table used by osteopaths and chiropractors throughout the United States. Arnold's engineering and sales expertise revitalized the company, which he sold in 1984, and then returned to retirement. Mr. Arnold passed away in June of 2000, but will continue to be remembered and honored through this scholarship fund.

It is the hope of the Arnold family that this scholarship will encourage and offer support to students who are pursuing a career in the important and rapidly changing field of radiologic technology, or other areas of medical imaging.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Up to three (3) one-time \$1,000 scholarships are available this year. To be eligible, students must have completed at least one full year towards a Radiologic Technology degree at Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College or Southwestern Community College. Students who are working towards specialization beyond the initial two-year program are also eligible to apply. All applicants will be considered equally regardless of previous awards. Recipients must be residents of one of the eighteen western counties of North Carolina. The Community Foundation scholarships will be awarded without regard to age, race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religious belief, or any other characteristic protected by law.

CRITERIA FOR APPLICANTS

- Must be a full-time student in the Radiologic Technology Program who has completed the course requirements through the third (spring) quarter of the program. Must intend to complete requirements for the Associate in Applied Science Degree in Radiologic Technology, or to have already earned this degree and intend to complete an advanced degree in Radiologic Technology.
- Must have demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and clinical abilities, and achieved a cumulative 3.0 or better grade point average in courses required for graduation from the program as completed at the time of application. A copy of the applicant's transcript must be submitted with the application, personal statement and letters of recommendation (see Application Instructions below).
- Must demonstrate personal qualities important to the profession of Radiologic Technology.
- Must demonstrate financial need determined by filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply, students must submit an application for the Richard M. Arnold Scholarship *with a 1-2 page statement* of his or her goals for a future in Radiologic Technology. A current official school transcript should accompany the application. Also required are two letters of recommendation from technologists or radiologists at the clinical affiliates that address the applicant's demonstration of clinical and interpersonal skills necessary for the profession. The application, statement of goals, transcript, recommendation letters and Student Aid Report (SAR) – see below – must be submitted to the Radiologic Technology Program Chairperson of the respective school by **July 1, 2010 latest**.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available as early as January 1 and should already have been completed and filed so that the SAR was received in the Financial Aid Office by May. Applicants who have not already filed may complete the FAFSA application online now at www.fafsa.ed.gov. *Each applicant must submit a copy of her/his SAR with the completed application in order to be considered for this scholarship.*

SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

Based on the stated criteria, the Scholarship Committees of Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College and Southwestern Community College will each select up to three finalists and forward those applications with all attachments to The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina. The Advisory Committee of the Richard M. Arnold Scholarship will then screen the applications and a scholarship recipient will be determined, subject to approval by our Board of Directors in August. The recipient(s) and other finalists will be notified of the results shortly thereafter.

PAYMENT OF AWARD

Scholarship payment(s) will be sent out before the end of August. Check(s) will be made payable to the school indicated on the recipient(s) application and forwarded to the financial aid office for the student(s) account, to be used for educational expenses. Recipients are responsible for any tax consequences that may be incurred by receipt of the award.

DOWNLOAD THE RICHARD ARNOLD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION, OR FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

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