

## **Graduating Student Scholarship Descriptions (revised 7.13.16)**

***The following scholarships are awarded by Northwestern Connecticut Community College to graduating students:***

**Alumni Association Scholarship** is awarded annually to a graduating student who has maintained a 2.5 cumulative grade point average, has been accepted for admission to a four-year college or university, and has demonstrated personal attributes of character, service and leadership as evidenced by active involvement at NCCC. This scholarship is neither need-based nor program-specific.

**Professor Greg Banks Scholarship** is awarded to a continuing or graduating student who has maintained a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.70 and has earned a minimum of 30 credits in college-level courses at NCCC. Scholarship will be awarded based on a student's display of integrity, individuality, and communication and reasoning skills. Students who apply for this scholarship must include at least one letter of recommendation from a NCCC faculty or staff member with the scholarship application. This scholarship was established by a former NCCC Mathematics Professor.

**Raymond and Mary Banks Scholarship** is awarded to a continuing or graduating student who has maintained a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.70, who is pursuing a teaching career in secondary or higher education, and who has demonstrated the personal attributes of passion for education and commitment to a strong work ethic. This scholarship was established by former NCCC Math Professor Greg Banks in honor of his parents who worked in the field of education.

**Professor John F. Ferguson Scholarship** is awarded annually to a continuing or graduating student who is a History major or who has completed at least three history courses with a grade of B- or higher, has demonstrated strong academic performance and demonstrated involvement in community service and/or student activities.

**Marie L. Hill Scholarship** is awarded to a Northwestern graduate whose scholarship, character and attitude merit recognition.

**Lucy B. LaMere Memorial Scholarship** is awarded to a continuing, returning or graduating student enrolled in the Medical Assisting associate degree program at NCCC.

**Daniel H. & Ellen C. O'Grady Memorial Scholarship** is awarded to a continuing or graduating student who has maintained a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.70 and is planning on transferring to a four-year college, and who exhibits an inquisitive imagination coupled with a love of language and literature.

***The following scholarships are awarded by Northwestern Connecticut Community College to graduating students and are funded by THE NORTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION (NCCF):***

**George J. Atcheson Scholarship** is awarded to a graduate with a high cumulative grade point average who is transferring to a four-year college. Preference is given to a mathematics or science major and veteran of the armed forces. This scholarship was established by Raymond W. Atcheson to honor his father T/SGT George J. Atcheson, US Army - WWII.

**Raymond W. Atcheson Scholarship** is awarded to a graduate with a high cumulative grade point average who is transferring to a four-year college. Preference is given to a mathematics or science major and veteran of the armed forces. This scholarship was established in honor of a retired NCCC executive dean, US Navy - Korea and Vietnam.

**Carmine E. Cornelio Scholarship** is awarded annually to a graduating student who is transferring to another college or university and is based on high academic achievement and financial need.

**Regina M. Duffy Scholarship** is awarded to a graduating student majoring in one of the natural sciences who is transferring to a four-year college or university.

**Regina M. Duffy Scholarship** is awarded annually to a graduating student who has maintained a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.50. Preference will be given to a student who has served in Afghanistan or Iraq. Students who are not a veteran of Afghanistan or Iraq must demonstrate strong financial need to be considered for this scholarship award.

**Marion William Edwards Scholarships** are awarded to two students as follows: (1) a continuing student at NCCC majoring in Liberal Arts and Sciences; and (2) a student who is graduating and transferring to another college or university and will be continuing his/her studies in Liberal Arts and Sciences, with preference given to students majoring in Literature or Journalism.

**Professor Greg Hager Memorial Scholarship** is awarded annually to a graduating student with a major in Liberal Arts and Sciences and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7. Like Professor Hager, the award recipient must demonstrate a commitment to issues of social justice and a dedication to the liberal arts. Evidence of such a commitment may include, but not be limited to, political activism, charity work, academic tutoring, volunteerism, etc.

**Mary Ellen Serafini Scholarship** is awarded annually to a graduating student who is transferring to a four-year college. Preference is given to a working parent. This scholarship was established in memory of the executive assistant to three Northwestern presidents.

**George L. Sherwood Scholarship** is awarded to a continuing or graduating NCCC student who is a history major, has achieved a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or better, and is a resident of Northwest Connecticut. This scholarship was established in memory of George L. Sherwood Sr., who was one of the founders of Northwestern Connecticut Community College.