

ORTA Future Professional Support Scholarship

Presented By: ORTA Scholarship Committee

Application Due Date: Open Date: Monday, Feb. 21st, Close Date: Friday, March 25th

Description: The purpose of the ORTA Future Professional Support Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to senior students and new professionals who are seeking NCTRC certification status. Please review the award eligibility and criteria before submitting your application.

Eligibility

To be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must:

- Demonstrate critical financial need
- Be currently a senior student or 2021 college graduate
- Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue a career as a Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS)
- Be planning to apply for the CTRS exam this year (Spring/Summer 2022)
- Be a current ORTA Member
 - Cost \$10
 - Please reach out to ORTA if you need financial assistance with member fee

Criteria

The scholarship will be granted based on the following criteria:

- Typed Essay (up to 3 pages) or Recorded Video (up to 8 minutes)
 - Must address the following:
 - Why do you think you should be considered for the scholarship?
 - What population and setting are you interested in serving as a CTRS? (Can be currently and/or future interests)
 - Tell us about yourself (What have you pursued since graduation, what are your leisure interests, what are your professional strengths)
- Reference
 - Provide contact information for one professional reference
- Completion of the application

ORTA Scholarship Award Application

Please complete all information below.

Full Name: _____

What University do you attend currently or graduated from last year? _____

Did you graduate in 2021? _____

Are you an ORTA Member? _____

What is your monthly income? _____

Do you have student loan debt? _____

Do you consider yourself in financial need? _____

Have you registered to sit for the CTRS exam this Spring or Summer? _____

*Registration for exam is not required for scholarship acceptance.

Do you plan on registering to take the CTRS exam this year? _____

Please provide us with a professional reference we can contact.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Attach a typed essay (Up to 3 pages) OR a recorded video (Up to 8 minutes)

The essay or recorded video must address the following:

- Why do you think you should be considered for the scholarship?
- What population and setting are you interested in serving as a CTRS? (Can be currently and/or future interests)
- Tell us about yourself (What have you pursued since graduation, what are your leisure interests, what are your professional strengths)

Essays should be attached as a PDF or Word docx.

Videos should be attached as an MP4 or provide a YouTube video with a link for the committee to view.

***Incomplete application or attached files that are not viewable will result in the application not being considered.**

By signing below, I certify all information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature

Date Signed

Applicant Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Send the completed application and attached essay or video the following email address.

admin@orta-online.com

*Please contact the Scholarship Committee Chair, Claire Copa, if you have any questions.
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