



2017 Daniel and Lois Gray Memorial Scholarship

Each year, Autism Delaware funds a few scholarship opportunities, including the Daniel and Lois Gray Memorial Scholarship (for students at the University of Delaware pursuing a career related to autism), the Adult with Autism Scholarship (for adults with autism spectrum disorder who are pursuing college or another secondary educational experience), and the Autism Teacher Certification Scholarship (for teachers pursuing an autism certification). A committee comprised of Autism Delaware staff and Board members reviews all applications and makes decisions on an annual basis. Funds are dispersed to the winners' educational institutions in June and the awards are formally acknowledged at the annual Autism Delaware Volunteer Award Dinner.

The Gray Memorial Scholarship was created to provide financial support for students enrolled or accepted for matriculation at the University of Delaware and who intend to work in Delaware. Applications are competitive and the number of scholarships available depends upon the amount of funding available and the assessment of the scholarship review committee. The amount of the Gray Memorial Scholarship is typically \$1,000.

The deadline for 2017 applications is midnight on April 1, 2017.

Who is eligible for the Daniel and Lois Gray Memorial Scholarship?

- Full-time undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Delaware
- Students majoring in special education, psychology, linguistics, or speech pathology (or related majors) with a special interest in people with autism spectrum disorder
- Students with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0
 - Note: Student financial need is considered.

How do I apply for the Daniel and Lois Gray Memorial Scholarship?

A completed application for this award includes

- A cover letter listing:
 - Your full name
 - Campus and permanent mailing addresses, phone number, email address
 - The college in which you are currently enrolled
 - Your current status (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior, graduate)
 - Major and minor courses of study
 - Your expected degree
 - Your expected graduation date
 - The number of credits you plan to take during the 2017-2018 academic year
 - Whether you have filed a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA)
- A brief description of your career and personal goals specific to the field of autism
- A list of your college activities and involvement in student organizations, as well as honors achieved
- A faculty recommendation
- An official school transcript

Completed application materials should be sent via email to Teresa.avery@delautism.org by the application deadline, shown above.

Note: Immediate family members of current Autism Delaware staff and Board of Directors members are not eligible to apply.