

Cohen-Marchiondo Scholarship

2014-2015 APPLICATION (Applications for Spring 2015 due by 5PM on Jan. 15th)

The Cohen – Marchiondo Scholarship Foundation provides scholarships to students with mental health disabilities, such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, neurocognitive disorder, autistic spectrum disorders, PTSD or similar mental health conditions, who attend Central New Mexico Community College. The scholarship provides for payment of tuition, books, supplies, and equipment expenditures, including tools and/or uniforms. The scholarship is designed to assist persons with mental health disabilities to fulfill their academic potential.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria

To be eligible for the Cohen – Marchiondo Scholarship, the applicant must:

- Provide proof of a persisting diagnosis of a mental health disability, such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, neurocognitive disorder, autistic spectrum disorders, PTSD or similar mental health conditions
- Be enrolled in CNM with a minimum of 6 hours per semester, be enrolled in a certificate or degree program, and taking courses on degree plan;
- Complete an application stating the student's educational goals and a statement of the reasons why the student should receive the scholarship;
- Provide previous academic history (unofficial transcript)
- Provide financial needs analysis from the Financial Aid Office
- Provide Social Security Disability Income statement if the applicant receives SSDI
- Applicants must not be receiving other financial aid or scholarships that pay for tuition and registration fees, books, supplies and equipment expenditures; if a student is receiving a minimal amount of financial aid or scholarships, these applications will be reviewed on a case by case basis
- Schedule for which the Semester the student is applying, and a print out of books/required materials needed.

Continuing Eligibility Criteria

Once awarded the Cohen-Marchiondo Scholarship, the applicant must do the following to maintain eligibility:

- Maintain a minimum semester GPA of a 2.5 and a semester completion rate of 66%;
- Meet with your CNM Connect Achievement Coach or DRC Counselor at least twice a term

Submission of an application does not guarantee that students will receive a scholarship. Scholarship eligibility and decision will be determined by a committee. Final approval made by Cohen-Marchiondo Foundation.