



Margaret S. Odom Scholarship

The Alabama Gerontological Society (AGS) is a non-profit membership organization devoted to improving the well-being of older persons throughout Alabama. AGS brings together individuals, service providers, educators, policy makers, students, and other individuals and groups who work in the field of aging or who have an interest in and concern for Alabama's older population. A major purpose is to ensure that older individuals have the opportunity to be full participating members of society with all the rights, privileges, benefits and responsibilities that pertain.

The AGS Board of Directors is pleased to announce that we will be awarding a \$1000 cash scholarship to a deserving student based on the enclosed guidelines.

The Margaret S. Odom Scholarship is available to students with a desire to work in gerontology and pursuing a degree in Social Work, Nursing or Health Administration. Applicants must be in their junior year or higher and must have at least a 3.0 GPA. Financial need will be a consideration for all applicants. All applications must be complete and postmarked or received via email by February 28, 2017. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.** The scholarship will be awarded to the student at AGS' annual conference reception Wednesday, April 19, 2017.

To apply for this cash scholarship, complete the application online and email to alabamagerontologicalsociety@gmail.com or download the application and mail to AGS, P.O. Box 241262, Montgomery, Alabama 36124-1262. The application will be available on our website at www.AGSinfo.org until February 21, 2017.

Should questions arise after you have reviewed the enclosed material, please contact me at AlabamaGerontologicalSociety@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Emily Myers, MSW, LCSW, PIP
AGS Scholarship Committee



Alabama Gerontological Society

2017 Application for the Margaret S. Odom Scholarship: \$1000

APPLICANTS MUST BE IN THEIR JUNIOR YEAR OR HIGHER

Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Current GPA (must be at least a 3.0 GPA: please attach transcript) _____

On a separate typed page (s), please complete the following sections:

1. Please write a short (200-250 word) essay explaining your interest in gerontology as the focus of your career choice.
2. Please list three (3) goals and objectives for the future.
3. Provide two (2) letters of recommendation, one from a professor in your major course of study who has taught you in the past school year and one from a social services provider where you have done field work either as a class assignment or as a volunteer.
4. Please provide any comments regarding financial need.

Application due date: February 28, 2017

Scholarship recipient will be notified by March 24, 2017

(The scholarship committee will shred all submitted application materials after that date)

Please submit applications to: AlabamaGerontologicalSociety@gmail.com

OR

**Alabama Gerontological Society
MSO Scholarship
P.O. Box 241262
Montgomery, Alabama 36124-1262**

Application Validation Statement

I hereby certify that the foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and hereby grant The Alabama Gerontological Society the permission to verify such answers. I understand that any false statement on this application may be considered as sufficient cause for rejection of this application and I agree to abide by and comply with all of the rules and policies set up by the Scholarship Committee.

Signature

Date