



The Peg Connolly Scholarship Application 2012 ATRA Annual Conference

Please note: You must be an ATRA MEMBER to receive this scholarship.

For Membership information, please call 601.450.ATRA or visit the ATRA website at: www.atra-online.com

Your Application should consist of:

1. A title page with the following information: (this page will be removed from your application for a blind review by our Scholarship review panel)
 - a. Name
 - b. University attending
 - c. Degree pursuing
 - d. Year in college
 - e. School address, phone number (include area code) and e-mail address
 - f. Home/summer address, phone number (include area code) and e-mail address
 - g. Dates you can be reached at these locations.
2. One copy of your official transcripts.
3. Two letters of recommendation
 - a. One from a Professor.
 - b. One from a Supervisor (volunteer or paid experience).
4. Essay responses to the questions below.

Please answer each question separately and numbered as indicated. Essays should be limited to 200-400 words.

 - a. Based on the ATRA definition, describe and comment on the theoretical and philosophical base of therapeutic recreation. Include areas you support, as well as the areas you would change and why. Describe your philosophy and goals that support your beliefs.
 - b. Discuss how your work or volunteer experience has contributed to your professional goals in the field of therapeutic recreation.
 - c. Discuss your leadership strengths and weaknesses. Discuss how receiving this scholarship may foster the development of your leadership skills.
 - d. Describe your ideas for a quality therapeutic recreation program for a population with whom you would like to work.
 - e. Discuss how you feel this scholarship can help you develop personally and professionally.
5. Resume

For consideration, scholarship applications must be completed and submitted electronically by **March 23, 2012** (transcripts may be mailed to the ATRA National Office). Scholarship recipients will be notified by **May 25, 2012** regarding the status of their application. If offered, individuals must submit a letter of acceptance to Heather Sedletzeck at heatherctr@bizma.rr.com by no later than **June 8, 2012**. A code of conduct statement must also be signed and submitted at the time of acceptance of the scholarship. Upon acceptance of scholarship offered, all winners must register for the ATRA annual conference (all registration fees will be paid by the scholarship fund).

Email questions and completed applications to: Heather Sedletzeck at heatherctr@bizma.rr.com with Peg Connolly Scholarship Application in the subject line.