Skin Scholarship sponsored by Lubriderm®

In a recent survey\(^1\) conducted by Lubriderm®, it was discovered that more than a quarter of U.S. Hispanic (USH) consumers have never visited a dermatologist. In addition, with less than 5% of U.S. dermatologists identifying as Hispanic\(^2\), Lubriderm® is aiming to help close the ethnic and racial representation gap between provider and patient through a dedicated scholarship, with the goal to help increase USH representation and accessibility within the field.

The Skin Scholarship sponsored by Lubriderm® is for USH dermatology residents and physician associate dermatology students with outstanding academic records, leadership skills, and a commitment to serving the Hispanic community within the field of dermatology. The scholarship will award 10 recipients with individual scholarships of $15,000 each.

Below is a list of FAQs for the 2022 Skin Scholarship sponsored by Lubriderm®. For other questions regarding the Scholarship, please contact nhhf@nhmafoundation.org.

1. **Who is eligible to apply for the Skin Scholarship sponsored by Lubriderm®?**
   The scholarship is open to any dermatology residents and physician associate dermatology students enrolled full-time in a U.S.-based accredited dermatology program. If you would like to become a member, please visit here.

   Eligible students must be enrolled full-time for the 2022-2023 academic year.

   *NOTE: Health professions outside of dermatology will NOT be considered. High school and undergraduate students are NOT eligible for this scholarship.*

2. **Are applicants required to be Hispanic?**
   Applicants are *not required* to be Hispanic; an affinity for the health of Hispanic communities and an interest in participating in NHHF Scholars Alumni activities is *required*.

3. **What are the qualifications?**
   a. 3.0 GPA or Passing (fail/pass system)
   b. Exceptional academic performance, documented leadership activities, and having a commitment to a career providing healthcare services to the Hispanic community in the U.S.
   c. Be a member of the National Hispanic Medical Association

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1 Lubriderm® surveyed 200 dermatologists and 969 consumers (2021)
4. **What are the required supporting documents?**
   a. Personal statement or essay, including career goals (double-spaced, two-page maximum)
   b. Current curriculum vitae (education, employment, extracurricular activities, awards)
   c. Letter of recommendation (one letter only)
   d. Proof of U.S. citizenship, residency, or DACA status
   e. Unofficial copy of school transcripts

5. **What are the requirements for the Personal Statement?**
The personal statement should be exactly that – personal. Tell us what sets you apart from other students and how your professional pursuits in skin health will support the Hispanic community. Make sure you are detailing what you want the reviewer to know about you as a student leader or resident committed to serving the Hispanic community in the United States. Remember to also include your curriculum vitae to list your leadership and health-related accomplishments.

6. **I am not a U.S. Citizen, can I still apply?**
   Only U.S. Citizens, permanent lawful residents, or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) are eligible to apply.

7. **Who is eligible to write my recommendation letter?**
   A current/past professor or supervisor is required to write your recommendation letter. Your recommendation letter should be included in your completed scholarship application.

   **NOTE:** If your recommender prefers, they can email it to us directly at scholarship@nhmafoundation.org using the following subject line with your information: “[Your Full Name] – LOR”. The document must be labeled: [Your Full Name] – LOR

   If your recommender can only mail the letter, they can do so to our DC office at NHHF Scholarship 2021 c/o National Hispanic Medical Association, 1920 L Street NW, Suite 725, Washington, D.C. 20036.

8. **What is the scholarship deadline?**
   The application deadline is **May 31, 2022, at 11:59 pm Eastern Time**. Any applications received after the deadline will NOT be considered. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered.

9. **Where should I send my completed scholarship application?**
   This is a paperless application. The link for the application can be found [here](#). Documents can be directly uploaded to this form.

10. **How many students will receive this scholarship?**
    Lubriderm® and NHHF will award 10 scholarships.

11. **I am interested in applying to your scholarship, but I am in another health profession that is not listed. Am I still eligible?**
    Unfortunately, at this time only the health profession explicitly stated in this application (dermatology) will be eligible for the scholarship.

12. **Do I need an official transcript?**
We do not require an official transcript. Transcripts should have the student’s full name and date of birth listed.

13. I am currently enrolled to begin a graduate program and have no GPA or transcript yet. What should I do?
   Please submit your official enrollment in your graduate degree program. Make sure you have at least 9 graduate credit hours “in progress.” Also, include your official transcripts from your undergraduate school if Fall 2022 is the first semester of your graduate program.

14. I’m in high school/undergraduate college, am I eligible for the NHHF Scholarship?
   Unfortunately, at this time only physician associate dermatology students and dermatology residents are eligible for the scholarship.

15. My grade point average is under the required criteria of 3.0. Would I still be eligible to apply for your awards?
   No, you must meet the minimum grade point requirements to be eligible. (Example, a 2.98 GPA will not be rounded to a 3.0).

16. Do I need to be a National Hispanic Medical Association member to apply?
   Yes, you need to be a member of the National Hispanic Medical Association to be considered for the scholarship. If you would like to become a member, please visit here.

17. If I have already received an award from the National Hispanic Health Foundation, am I still eligible to apply?
   Yes, past recipients of any NHHF affiliated awards are eligible to apply for the Lubriderm® Skin Scholarship.

18. Is there a specific format supporting documents should be in?
   Yes, all documents should be in PDF format. You will NOT be able to upload any documents that are not in a PDF format.

   Documents should also be named using the following format:
   FULL NAME – DOCUMENT NAME (i.e., personal statement, CV, LOR, Transcript, etc.)