**Craig H. Neilsen Foundation Scholarship**

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The Craig H. Neilsen Foundation Scholarship is available to all eligible students with a Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) who attend or plan to attend the University of Arizona as an undergraduate or graduate student. The scholarship can potentially provide funding for full in-state and partial out-of-state tuition and fees to support students with SCI for the duration of their degree program. In addition, supplemental support funds are also available and can include (but are not limited to) transportation, child care, personal care attendant services, adaptive equipment, books and/or assistive technology.

The total amount awarded varies by student.

**Application Deadline:** March 18, 2022 at 11:59 PM MST

**Eligibility:**

* Documented permanent spinal cord injury
* Enrolled at the University of Arizona full-time
	+ minimum of 12 units per semester, undergraduate
	+ minimum of 9 units per semester, graduate
* Cumulative GPA of 2.5 and above
* Admitted as a current matriculated (degree-seeking) student by March 18, 2022

**Application Process:**

To be considered for this scholarship, you must complete this application including:

* One letter of recommendation on official letterhead from someone who can speak to your academic or professional abilities and goals (not a family member).
* A typed personal statement of no more than 1,000 words, described below.

**Please submit your application as a Word Document (.doc or .docx format). The letter of recommendation and signature page on this document must be submitted as a PDF.**

Please submit all materials by the deadline to:

**Cheryl Muller**

**mullerc@arizona.edu**

**All applicants will receive an email notification of award status by July 31.**

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| Applicant/Student Name |  |
| Student ID Number (if known)  |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| E-mail Address |  |
| 2022-23 FAFSA on file |  Yes [ ] No [ ] |

*I authorize the University of Arizona to release my academic and financial aid information and my completed application to CHNF scholarship donors. All of the information provided with the submission of this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If necessary, I agree to provide further proof of the information that I have given.*

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 Signature Date

*If you are under 18 years of age, please have a parent sign on your behalf.*

**Cumulative GPA:**

**Check one: [ ] Undergraduate Student [ ] Graduate Student**

**Course of study/major:**

**Projected years of enrollment (including 2022-2023):**

**Year in school for 2022-2023 school year (i.e. freshman):**

**Plan on living on-campus or off-campus for the 2022-2023 school year:**

**State of residency:**

**Please list Financial Aid and/or Supplemental Support\* you are currently receiving, or plan to receive, during the 2022-2023 school year:**

***\*Note: Please include vocational rehab.***

**Please list expenses not covered by financial aid or supplemental support that you will need for the 2022-2023 school year:**

**Please briefly describe your personal experience with Spinal Cord injury, including the cause and level of injury (300 words maximum):**

**Please write a personal statement below that addresses the following (1,000 words maximum):**

* **Educational and professional goals**
* **Extracurricular activities**
* **Financial need**