



Association of Reproductive Health Professionals (ARHP) *Stewart Scholarship for Research in Public Health* Information and Application

INFORMATION

The *Gary Stewart Scholarship for Research in Public Health* honors Gary Stewart, MD, MPH (1940-1999), a leading international public health educator who was instrumental in promoting the concept that basic health care and family planning are fundamental rights. Dr. Stewart was a mentor to many public health professionals—particularly students—strongly encouraging their professional growth and nurturing a passion for family planning and reproductive health. Dr. Stewart was a long-time member of the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals (ARHP) and a former member of its board of directors.

Funded through ARHP's *Fund for the Future of Reproductive Health*, the *Gary Stewart Scholarship* supports educational research projects of graduate students in public health. An award of \$2,500 is provided to a recipient each year at ARHP's annual meeting.

ARHP is a multidisciplinary and multispecialty non-profit membership association comprising highly qualified and committed experts in reproductive health. Its members are professionals who provide reproductive health services and education, conduct reproductive health research, and influence health policy. The organization reaches this broad range of health care professionals both in the US and abroad with education and information about reproductive health science, practice, and policy.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Public health faculty members are encouraged to nominate promising graduate students and qualified students may also nominate themselves. The following information must be submitted for each applicant:

- 1) Completed application form (below)
- 2) Copy of candidate's curriculum vitae
- 3) One letter of recommendation from a faculty member of the candidate's school
- 4) Proof of university enrollment

Application/nomination deadline: Friday, March 20, 2009 at 11:59 PM ET

Selection Criteria and Committee

A selection committee will review and rank the applications received based upon the following criteria:

- 1) Consistency of the candidate's proposed research with the goals of ARHP
- 2) Potential contribution of the proposed research to reproductive health
- 3) Scientific rigor of the proposed research
- 4) Candidate's commitment to a career in reproductive health as evidenced by past activities
- 5) Candidate's character and commitment as evidenced by letter of recommendation

The selection committee will be composed of current members of the *Reproductive Health 2009* planning committee. The committee's decision will be made without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual preference, age, or disability.

Award Receipt and Reporting Requirements

Funds for the award will total \$2,500 and will be disbursed directly to the selected individual. A check in the amount of \$2,000 will be provided to the recipient immediately after selection, and an additional \$500 will be provided once the research and project description are complete. The recipient is expected to furnish ARHP with a narrative description of the completed project (no more than 2,000 words), including objectives, methods, outcomes and conclusions within one year from receiving their notice of selection. The recipient is encouraged, but not required, to present the project outcome at the *Reproductive Health* meeting in the year following the completion of the work. Award recipients will receive travel funding, hotel accommodation, and a one-year membership to ARHP for the year in which they receive the award.

Past Stewart Award Recipients

2008: Chelsea Polis, PhD, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (nominated by Ron Gray, MBBS, MSc)

2007: Deborah K. Cunningham, MN, MPH, Boston University (nominated by Eugene Declercq, PhD)

2006: Megan Kavanaugh, MPH, MS, University of Pittsburgh (nominated by Melanie Gold, DO)

2005: Frances Likis, MSN, FNP, CNM, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (nominated by Herbert Peterson, MD)

2004: Samantha Butts, MD, University of Pennsylvania (nominated by Kurt Barnhart, MD)

2003: Chelsea Morroni, MPH, Columbia University (nominated by Carolyn Westhoff, MD)

2002: Shavonne Ramsey, University of Pittsburgh (nominated by Mitch Creinin, MD)

2001: Anne Burke, MD, Johns Hopkins University (nominated by George Huggins, MD, MPH)

2000: Paula Morgan, MPH, Emory University (nominated by Robert Hatcher, MD)

1999: Audrey Pettifor, University of California, Berkeley (nominated by Malcolm Potts, MD)

APPLICATION

Complete this application and submit to ARHP in one of two ways:

- 1) Mail completed application to: Carrie Brown, MBA, MS, Education Associate, Association of Reproductive Health Professionals (ARHP), 1901 L St, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20036
- 2) E-mail completed application (as an attachment) to: cbrown@arhp.org

Information About Nominator

Full Name	
Completed Degree(s)	
Street Address 1	
Street Address 2	
City, State, and Zip Code	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
E-Mail	

Information About Nominee

<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if self-nominee (If checked, no need to re-enter duplicate contact information)	
Full Name	
Degree(s) currently held?	
Street Address 1	
Street Address 2	
City, State, and Zip Code	
Phone (<input type="checkbox"/> H <input type="checkbox"/> W <input type="checkbox"/> C)	
E-Mail	

Gender (optional)	<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male
Ethnicity (optional)	<input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic Asian-American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Native American/Alaskan Native

Nominee's Current Graduate School and Program Information

University/School	
School Address 1	
School Address 2	
Degree/Program	
Date First Enrolled in Current Program	
Expected Graduation Date	
Subfield/Concentration	
Faculty Advisor	
Faculty Advisor Phone	
Faculty Advisor E-mail	

Proposed Research

In 500 words or less, summarize the proposed research project to address a pressing current issue in public health, specifically as it pertains to reproductive health and related public welfare issues. State the long-term objectives and specific aims of the research, including its relevance to reproductive health. Describe concisely the research design and methods to be used and the rationale for the approach. Provide an approximate timeline for implementing and completing the project.

Special Skills or Qualifications

In 500 words or less, summarize the nominee's special skills, qualifications, and/or volunteer experience, including but not limited to those related to reproductive or public health:

Statement from Nominee

In 500 words or less, the nominee should provide their definition of reproductive health and describe their commitment to reproductive health issues.

Agreement and Nominator Signature

By submitting this application, I affirm that the nominee is aware that he/she will be considered for this award and that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I understand that if the nominee is accepted as an award recipient, any false statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me on this application may result in the revocation of the award.

Nominator Name	
Nominator Signature	
Date	