

## Instructions for Writing Explanations of Qualifications

Each of the RNFOO Awards and Scholarships has specific criteria. In order to better evaluate your application for each award, judges have requested that candidates articulate their qualifications for each award.

The award criteria\* and, in some cases, the award backgrounds\*\* should be consulted when you prepare these explanations.

\*see the **RNFOO Awards and Scholarships Brochure** (link is on Home page, How to Apply page)

\*\* see the [Award Backgrounds pages](#) of the RNFOO website

Here are a couple of samples:

**Award:** The Mildred Grace Harbour Award

**Qualifications:** I am currently in 4th year of my BScN program. My passion for nursing is rooted in my commitment to caring for people, my fascination with health science, and my dedication to making a difference in whatever ways I can. Last year I was able to recruit more than 12 of my classmates to attend an on-campus presentation from an organization interested in promoting resistance to vaccination. Because of our presence there, we were able to respond to inaccuracies made during the presentation. We succeeded in ensuring that the students and members of the wider community who were present heard a much more balanced presentation than it would have been had we not been there.

**Award:** The Diabetes Nursing Interest Group Scholarship

**Qualifications:** I first joined the Diabetes Nursing Interest Group in 20XX, when I worked as an RPN on the dialysis unit at Hamilton Health Sciences. I have maintained my membership in this Interest Group since that time. Currently I am pursuing my BScN so that I can move into a leadership role in clinical management of diabetes in the community health care centre that serves Brantford, ON. Many of the clients at this centre are indigenous peoples.