

## 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](#)

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

Here are a couple of samples:

**Award:** The Jennifer Award

**Qualifications:** I am currently in 3rd year of my BScN program. My clinical placement in the fall 20XX term was spent on the bone marrow transplant unit of The Ottawa Hospital. Because of that experience, and my personal experience of being a sibling of a childhood cancer survivor, I am committed to pursuing a career in pediatric oncological nursing.

**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 McMaster Children's Hospital. 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 First Nations peoples.