Rachel D’Avino Memorial Scholarship

The scholarship was created to honor the memory of Rachel D’Avino and her dream of becoming a Board Certified Behavior Analyst. Rachel was one of the young, gifted, beautiful women killed at Sandy Hook Elementary School. She began her Human Service studies at NVCC. Her family is committed to keeping her dream alive and helping others who are pursuing their Applied Behavior Analysis Certificate.

Award Criteria

- Award will go to a current NVCC student.
- The student should have completed Psy258.
- Preference may be given to a student pursuing a degree in Applied Behavior Analysis who is in good academic standing, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and has completed nine (9) or more credits.
- A graduating student must be planning on attending a 4 year program where the award will be transferred for the following semester.
- The award for a returning student will be directed to the student account.

Application Process (see attached forms):

REQUIRED
- Completed application form
- Completed personal statement

OPTIONAL
- One or more academic and/or professional letters of recommendation

The complete application must be received by February 21st

Questions?

Contact Elizabeth Catuccio email: ecatuccio@nv.edu or phone: 203-575-8045

NVCC Foundation Scholarship
**Applicant Information – Rachel D’Avino Memorial Scholarship**

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**Academic Information**

| Degree Program: □ Associate | □ Certificate | Concentration: | GPA to date |
| Credits Earned to Date: | Number of Credits you are currently taking: |
| Have you completed Psy258? | □ No | □ Yes | What grade did you receive in Psy258? |
| During the next academic year will you be: □ Full Time Student | □ Part-Time Student |
| How many credit hours do you plan to take: | Anticipated Graduation Date |
| Will you be attending □ NVCC or □ Another academic institution? | If other, what college |
| Are you on Academic Probation? | □ No | □ Yes |
| Have you violated the student conduct policy within the last academic year or at your previous institution? | □ No | □ Yes |
| If yes, please explain: | | |

Have you ever received any form of financial aid from NVCC? If so, when?

Have you submitted a FASFA to NVCC? □ Yes □ No
Employment and Volunteer Information

Work Status: ☐ Full Time ☐ Part time ☐ Unemployed  Work Study Student: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Briefly describe your current job and field of employment: ____________________________________________________________

Extracurricular Activities and volunteer work: - Please list any extracurricular activities and volunteer work you participate in. (Both in and outside NVCC) ____________________________________________________________

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This Scholarship Application and all supporting documentation MUST be submitted together by deadline or packet will not be accepted.

Please Mail or personally drop off all application materials to:
NVCC Foundation – Scholarship Committee – Rachel D’Avino Memorial Scholarship
750 Chase Parkway
Kinney Hall Room 720
Waterbury, CT 06708

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS
February 21st

ALL OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

/ ________
(Applicant’s Signature) (Date)

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To the Applicant: *The scholarship committee places great emphasis on this personal statement.* Please provide a *one-page typed statement* sharing with them why you believe you are deserving of a scholarship.

Though every applicant is unique, you may wish to include in your statement any recent awards or honors, as well as any significant personal accomplishments and/or obstacles (familial or financial) you have overcome in order to pursue a college degree.

*Personal Statements must be original and current. Statements which were submitted in previous years will not be considered for this year’s scholarships.*

*Your typed Personal Statement can be attached to the application when submitted and must include your name and the name of the scholarship you are applying for.*
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Academic Letter of Recommendation

Optional

Name of Applicant: ____________________________________________________________

This reference must be current, dated this year, and cannot be written by a family member.

The following applicant is applying for an NVCC Foundation Scholarship. Please help the scholarship committee in its decision making process by commenting on the applicant’s academic ability by providing up to a one-page typed letter of recommendation. You may attach your letter to this completed form. Thank you.

- Name of Applicant
- Length of time you have known applicant
- Course(s) in which you have taught the applicant.
- Comments and observations on this applicant’s academic ability, including but not limited to his/her initiative in your classroom, work ethic and commitment level to your class and area of study.
- One or two of the applicant’s strongest qualities or skills that will qualify them for a scholarship.
- It would be helpful to support each claim you make about the person with a specific example.

In addition to your recommendation, please include:

- Name of Academic Reference
- Title
- Academic Institution, Room #
- Telephone or Email
- Signature
- Date

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Name of Applicant: _______________________________________________________________

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The following applicant is applying for an NVCC Foundation Scholarship. Please help the scholarship committee in its decision making process by commenting on the applicant’s professional abilities related to the applicant's field of study by providing up to a one-page typed letter of recommendation. You may attach your letter to this completed form. Thank you.

Professional letter of recommendation should include:

- Name of Applicant
- Length of time you have known applicant
- Professional Relationship of applicant to you (colleague, employee, former employee, volunteer)
- Comments and observations on this applicant’s character
- One or two of the applicant’s strongest qualities or skills that will qualify them for a scholarship.
- Try to support each claim you make about the person with a specific example.

In addition to your recommendation, please include:

- Your name
- Address
- City, State Zip
- Telephone or Email
- Signature
- Date

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