Viterbo University in La Crosse, Wis., will award three Nightingale Nursing Scholarships to high school senior students who plan to pursue a nursing major at Viterbo University. These Nightingale Scholarship awards are determined by way of an on-campus competition scheduled for Friday, Feb. 5, 2016, and the amounts shown below are awarded in addition to any and all merit-based scholarships awarded from Viterbo. Students completing this Nightingale application, who do not know the amount of their merit-based Viterbo scholarship, should contact the admission office immediately.

The total amount of the Nightingale awards are given over four years and are shown below.

- 1st Place: $24,000 ($6,000 per year)
- 2nd Place: $16,000 ($4,000 per year)
- 3rd Place: $8,000 ($2,000 per year)

*All attending finalists will be awarded direct admission into the Professional Nursing Program.

Qualified applicants:
- Have earned a minimum ACT composite score of 25 or combined SAT score of 1700.
- Have earned a minimum high school cumulative grade point average of 3.25.
- Have been accepted for admission to Viterbo University as a nursing major.
- Must be a high school senior graduating in spring 2016 and planning to enter Viterbo University in fall 2016.

Application Instructions

**Deadlines:**
- Completed application postmarked by: Friday, Jan. 8, 2016
- Notification of eligibility to compete: Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2016
- On-campus competition: Friday, Feb. 5, 2016

1. Write a two-page double-spaced essay (12 point font, one inch margin) explaining your career plans, why you are interested in nursing, and what you have done to investigate and prepare for this career. (Be specific in your response.)

2. Two letters of recommendation: one from a teacher addressing your academic strengths and potential to achieve your nursing career goals; one from another individual (non-relative, non-academic) addressing your personal character attributes as they apply to nursing.

3. A resume describing your work history, extra-curricular, honor activities, and community service (athletics, plays, ensembles, National Honor Society, student government, organized civic activities, and/or church activities, etc.).
Criteria for Retention

Once a scholarship has been awarded, the yearly amount will automatically be renewed (up to four years) provided the recipient:

1. Remains enrolled as a full-time nursing major at Viterbo University.
2. Maintains a 3.0 cumulative grade point average each semester of the professional sequence.
3. Meets all other program requirements as listed in the undergraduate catalog for the specific year.

Direct admission awards will be honored as long as the recipient maintains eligibility:

• Earns a B or better in each prerequisite nursing course during the first year at Viterbo University.
• Meets all professional nursing sequence requirements.
• Attains a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher by the end of the first year at Viterbo University.

Student Information

Name ___________________________________________ LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Email ___________________________________________ Phone ____________________________

Permanent Address ___________________________________________

City ___________________________________ State ___________ Zip ______________________

High School ___________________________________________ Date of Graduation _____________

Cumulative GPA _______ ACT _______ Hometown Newspaper ____________________________

Special Services

Viterbo University is committed to providing equal education and employment opportunities regardless of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, or handicap in compliance with Title IX, and Section 504.

Application Submission

Student’s Signature ___________________________________________ Date _________________________

The entire completed application packet should be postmarked, faxed, or emailed by Jan. 8, 2016:

Nightingale Nursing Scholarship Committee
Office of Admission
Viterbo University
900 Viterbo Drive
La Crosse, WI 54601
Fax: 608-796-3020
admission@viterbo.edu

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

If you have any questions or concerns, call 608-796-3010 or 1-800-VITERBO or email admission@viterbo.edu.