



# UMSN Gateways 21st Century Nursing Fellows

The Nursing Gateways Fellowship supports undergraduate and graduate students as they explore how to build a range of graduate, post-graduate, and professional careers in nursing that will help them make a difference for diversity in the world around them. Gateways Fellows develop early-career, peer-reviewed research projects or creative arts projects on a range of topics intended to raise awareness about and eliminate health disparities while bringing relief and justice to vulnerable populations. Gateways Fellows receive scholarships, are matched with a faculty mentor based on their interests, participate in educational seminars, participate in an inclusive and supportive learning community with peers and exhibit their research or creative arts project at the end of the program.

## Participant benefits

- Book scholarships for courses and fellowship research of up to \$1 500 to be dispersed over two semesters of participation.
- Advanced research, writing and publication experience.
- Workshops on pathways to nursing faculty careers.
- Highly individualized academic support and personal coaching from UMSN faculty with related research interests as well as UMSN's resourceful staff.
- Peer support in meeting your academic and professional goals.

## To apply

In a Word or PDF document, please submit a brief essay of 500-750 words that addresses each of the four admissions criteria below. Be sure to include your name, year and program and submit the essay directly to Dr. Rushika Patel at [rushika@med.umich.edu](mailto:rushika@med.umich.edu). The deadline for essays is **October 5, 2018**, and **decisions will be announced by October 12, 2018**.

- Must be able to demonstrate how you have overcome adversity and bring unique life experiences to nursing research.
- Must have a strong commitment to serving the public interest.
- Must be able to serve as a positive role model and mentor to peers.
- Must be able to demonstrate your ability to succeed at UMSN.

## Undergraduate and graduate student program requirements

1. Fellows will develop a paper or creative piece.
2. Fellows will meet bi-weekly in a seminar style conference to participate in a peer review process of research papers and projects. Each seminar will focus on a robust discussion of strengths and areas of refinement in a single participant's paper or project idea, facilitated to ensure a spirit of constructive collegiality amongst participants.
3. Students will meet regularly and on an individual basis with faculty and staff mentors who will review progress and offer individualized support and referral as needed.
4. Students will have the option to participate in informal and social events, and will be required to attend scheduled academic and professional workshops that will provide information on graduate and faculty careers in nursing.

If you have questions please contact Dr. Rushika Patel at [rushika@umich.edu](mailto:rushika@umich.edu).