

University of Michigan – Flint
ERNESTINE R. SMITH, PhD, MPH PHYSICAL THERAPY SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Ernestine R. Smith has established the Ernestine R. Smith, Ph.D., MPH Physical Therapy Scholarship to assist UM-Flint physical therapy students who have established an outstanding record of success in their pursuit of higher education, and who have demonstrated commitment to the practice of physical therapy and patient care. Dr. Smith earned her Physical Therapy Certification from the University of Iowa, and the Master of Public Health degree and Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. Her career involvement of 40 years in physical therapy includes working in hospitals, nursing homes, and in special education settings, with concentration on direct services delivery as well as supervision. Her volunteer work includes membership on the UM-Flint's Citizens Advisory Committee (2001-2005), and the Hurley Medical Center Human Resources and Education Committee; she currently holds memberships in numerous professional organizations.

Scholarship Guidelines:

1. The scholarship will be available to second and third year UM-Flint Physical Therapy students.
2. Applicants must have a B+ (6.0) grade point average.
3. Scholarship applicants must submit a minimum one-page cover letter in which they identify their present involvement and future interest in patient care, state their career goals, and demonstrated commitment to the physical therapy profession.
4. The minimum scholarship amount will be \$1000.00, depending on fund balance. The donor will provide funding to meet the minimum.
5. The selection committee will consist of two members of the UM-Flint's Physical Therapy Department and one representative of the Ernestine Smith family.
6. A report identifying the scholarship recipient(s), award amount(s), and a fund accounting update will be provided to Dr. Ernestine Smith by July 31 of each academic year.

Scholarship Application Requirements

Please return all completed application materials to the Physical Therapy Department.