

2019 Karen Keener PROF Scholarship Application

To be eligible to apply for the Karen Keener PROF Scholarship, applicants should be able to answer "yes" to the following questions. Please indicate your answers before filling out the rest of the form.

- ▶ Have you completed at least 24 credit hours at Parkland College towards the academic program in which you hope to teach? Yes ___ No ___
- ▶ Is your Parkland cumulative grade point average at least 3.2? Yes ___ No ___
- ▶ Did/will you graduate from or complete work at Parkland College between December 2018 and May 2019? Yes ___ No ___
- ▶ Do you plan to start attending a transfer institution in fall 2019? Yes ___ No ___
- ▶ Do you plan to complete a master's degree within three years of completing a bachelor's degree? Yes ___ No ___
- ▶ Will you bring diversity to the discipline or program in which you plan to teach? Yes ___ No ___
- ▶ Are you a citizen or permanent resident of the United States? Yes ___ No ___

If you answered "yes" to all the questions above, you meet the minimum eligibility requirements for this scholarship.

First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Last Name _____

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ (Primary) _____ (Other)

Parkland Email Address: _____ Secondary Email Address: _____

Student ID #: _____

- ▶ Have you applied for transfer? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, have you been accepted? Yes ___ No ___
- ▶ Which four-year accredited colleges or universities have you already applied to for admission? (Please list at least two four-year accredited institutions where you have already submitted applications or state specifically where and when you intend to submit these applications.)

- ▶ What is your declared or intended major? _____

Please submit all application materials listed below by no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 12, 2019, to the Financial Aid Office, Room U286 .

1. A fully completed application form.
2. A typed personal essay of 750-1,000 words to help us to get to know you. Please address the following:
 - a. Share your personal history and career goals.
 - b. Why are you attracted to community college teaching?
 - c. What talents, experiences, and philosophies do you possess that will enable you to develop the skills needed to be a quality community college instructor?
 - d. What kind of diversity do you bring to your specific discipline or program? (The following are categories included in the definition of diversity in the College's Equal Employment Opportunity Statement: race, color, sex, gender, gender expression, national origin, religion, age, veteran status (including Vietnam veteran), marital status, ancestry, disability, or sexual orientation).
3. Letters of recommendation from two Parkland College faculty discussing your potential as a student and, more significantly, as a community college teacher. One of those two letters must be written by a currently employed Parkland College faculty member who teaches in the academic discipline in which you hope to teach.
4. Official transcripts from all colleges attended, including Parkland.

Please read the information below carefully, and then sign and date this application.

I understand that if accepted as a PROF Scholar, during the scholarship period, I will participate in a mentoring relationship with a Parkland faculty member in my discipline and will return to Parkland to engage in student engagement activities.

Signature

Date

Submit all application materials to:

The Financial Aid Office
Room U286
Parkland College
2400 W. Bradley Avenue
Champaign, IL 61821-1899

For more information, contact one of the Karen Keener PROF Scholars Committee Chairs:

- Phil Bossaers at (217) 353-2691 or at pbossaers@parkland.edu
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Parkland College Mission and Purposes

The mission of Parkland College is to engage the community in learning.

The following purposes are of equal importance in fulfilling the mission of Parkland College:

Serve students by providing:

- high-quality and responsive developmental, technical-vocational, transfer, and lifelong educational programs;
- high-quality and responsive support services;
- a climate throughout the college that values and promotes integrity, inquiry, diversity, inclusion, active citizenship, global awareness, and academic freedom;

Serve employees by providing a supportive and responsive work environment;

Serve the larger community by providing services and resources that promote the intellectual, cultural, and economic development of Illinois Community College District 505