

**University of Miami
Miller School of Medicine
Department of Public Health Sciences
Resiliency Scholarship**

Why?

- To support a graduate student pursuing a 45-credit MPH or MSPH degree in the Summer/Fall 2021.
- To foster innovative thinking in public health research and practice and support a resilient MPH and MSPH student in their effort to address community or global public health issues through their graduate studies.

Who is Eligible?

- MPH and MSPH full-time students completing a 45-credit degree within 1 to 2 years.
- Applicants must be accepted and matriculate in the Summer/Fall 2021 semester.
- Preference will be given to students who have faced serious life challenges and overcame them. Questions on both the SOPHAS application, the Resiliency Scholarship Application, essay, and interview will help to inform the selection. The scholarship recipient will have made clear their interest in the power of personal resilience and how their unique life circumstances have informed their educational and career aspirations.

How much support is available?

- (1) Full tuition scholarship will be awarded in the Summer/Fall 2021 semester towards an MPH or MSPH 45-credit degree.
- The tuition scholarship is valued at approximately \$97,650 (based on \$2,170/per graduate credit). The value of the award will increase in the event of any tuition increases.

The Application Process

- Applicants must submit a SOPHAS application including all required supporting documents by the scholarship priority deadline of March 1, 2021.
 - Official Transcript(s)
 - Personal Statement
 - CV/Resume
 - (3) Letters of Recommendation
- Once an accepted student has returned the signed offer acceptance form, the student will be sent the Resiliency Scholarship Application via email to be completed and returned via email by the established deadline.
- Student must complete a 1,000-word essay discussing a serious life changing challenge or challenges and how they overcame them. In the essay, the applicant should describe their emergent resilience tools and practices and how their experience can inform public health policies and interventions that can impact population health.
- The DPHS Scholarship Committee will review all eligible applications and will select applicants to be interviewed.

- Each selected applicant will participate in an interview held via Zoom and conducted by the DPHS Scholarship Committee to determine motivation and fit.

Resiliency Scholarship Application

- Indicators of Need/Resilience:
 - SOPHAS Application Economic/Environmental/Geographic Indicators
 - SOPHAS Custom Questions and DPHS Supplemental Questions
 - First Generation Student
 - Underserved
 - Family Income Level
 - Number in Household
 - Family Assistance Program
 - Paid Employment before 18
 - Contribution to Family
 - Pell Grant received as undergraduate
 - Paid for Post-Secondary Education
- Additional Questions
 - How will this scholarship impact your future career in Public Health?
 - Are you planning to continue your Public Health education?
- Essay