

2020 Project Skill-Up Scholarship

Financial Assistance to Students short-term training classes

Funded by the NC Tobacco Trust Fund Commission, priority consideration for award will be given to students affected by the economic impact of the change in tobacco production and/or manufacturing within their service area. Students must live in a tobacco dependent county, or have been adversely affected by the decline in tobacco-related or/ tobacco plant closure or tobacco farming.

New to 2020 Scholarship! Two type of scholarships are available:

- 1) Students can be awarded a scholarship if they are **FIRST GENERATION** tobacco production or manufacturing impacted. This means that the student's or the student's parent's farm or manufacturing position was impacted, not grandparents or great-grandparents like prior years.
- 2) Students can be awarded a scholarship without generational impact **IF THE SCHOLARSHIP IS FOR AN AGRICULTURE RELATED** credential. Students can be awarded scholarships to take the following agriculture classes if they are NOT first-generation tobacco production or manufacturing impacted:

Course	Title
AGR-3001	Sustainable Agriculture
AGR-3002	Agri-Tech
ANS-3011	Veterinary Assistant
ANS-3411	Equine Studies and Management
AQU-3100	Aquaculture Technology
HOR-3300	NC Landscape Contractor Exam Review
HOR-3307	Horticulture
HOR-3314	Retail Floral Design

Course or pathway must have at least 96 hours of instruction to be eligible for scholarship funds.

- Students will receive funds to cover the following fees: registration fees, instructional books/materials, and testing fees for courses and pathways leading to state or industry recognized credentials.
- All books, fees and materials covered must be listed on the course syllabus as requirements for the course
- Transportation and childcare are not allowable expenditures

Applicants will be required to have their Career Readiness Certificate (CRC) and complete a 20 hour HRD class OR complete at least 30 hours in the CRC prep course in order to take the CRC exam. These requirements must be met before the short-term training class begins.

Scholarship deadline- December 1, 2020