



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the CARE Society Scholarship?

The Clarke Alumni Referral and Engagement (CARE) Society Scholarship offers a \$1,000 renewable scholarship to full-time undergraduate students who are referred to Clarke by an alumna/us prior to their acceptance to the University.

Who is eligible for the CARE Society Scholarship program?

All full-time undergraduate students are eligible for this scholarship program. This includes transfer students.

If a referral is made for a student as a freshman, can they still receive the scholarship if they choose to enter Clarke as a transfer student instead.

Yes. If the referral was made prior to the student being admitted as a transfer student, they can receive the scholarship. There is not an expiration date on submitted student referrals.

Can someone receive the Legacy Grant AND the CARE Society Scholarship?

Our legacy students (those who have had a parent, grandparent or sibling attend Clarke) will not be eligible for this award as they will receive the Legacy Grant. Alumni who refer a legacy student will still be recognized as part of the CARE Society.

How do I refer a potential student?

It's simple! Just complete our brief online <u>student referral form</u>. Referrals referenced on a student's application will be honored as well.

Does it cost anything to refer a student? No, in fact, the student receives \$1,000 per year through the CARE Society Scholarship when they are admitted!

Is there a deadline for the CARE Society Scholarship?

While there is not a calendar deadline, the referral must be completed before the student is admitted to Clarke.

What information do I need to provide about the prospective student?

Our online <u>student referral form</u> requests contact information and just enough additional information about the prospective student so that our Admissions team can follow up.

How will the student be informed that I referred them?

As part of an introductory communication, a member of our Admissions team will share the student was referred to Clarke by an alumna/us, describe the CARE Society Scholarship, and encourage them to visit campus. The student will also begin receiving our informational materials.

How are alumni recognized within the CARE Society?

Members of the CARE Society receive annual recognition on campus and at special events. Members also receive a commemorative journal as a token of our appreciation for their student referral.

I referred someone; can I find out where they are in the application process?

The Alumni Office is your first point of contact for the CARE Society. We are happy to help connect you with a variety of on-campus resources including our Admissions team during the application process.

Can an alumna/us who is also a Clarke employee refer a student?

Yes! We strongly encourage Clarke alumni employees to refer prospective student. The only employee groups who have restrictions on being able to offer this scholarship are staff in recruiting roles (Admissions and Athletics). For those groups, alumni can refer students through the CARE Society program only if that student is not in their direct recruiting pool.

What if the student is referred by multiple alumni?

That's fantastic! However, even if a student is referred by multiple alumni, they are only eligible for one CARE Society Scholarship.

What if the student doesn't enroll at Clarke?

We certainly hope that Clarke will be a great fit for the student you refer, but in the event it is not, we will wish them all the best in their college search process. As with the rest of their Clarke financial aid package, the CARE Society Scholarship is only given if the student enrolls here. Alumni who refer students are still recognized as a member of the CARE Society even if that student chooses a different education path.