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Cardiorespiratory Division of the CPA Entry Level Student Award – Guidelines

Amount: 2 awards of \$1,000 each will be awarded

Application Deadline: September 30th of each year

Submission: Please email completed forms to the CRD secretary

- Name: Anastasia Newman
- Email: newmanan@mcmaster.ca

Required Documents (Office Use Only):

- ☐ Application Form
- ☐ Application Letter
- ☐ Transcript / Academic

General:

- This award will be offered to physical therapy students enrolled in entry-level programs in their 2nd year who excel in both cardiorespiratory theory and clinical practice and who have a special interest in cardiorespiratory physiotherapy.
- The goals of this award are to encourage the pursuit of a career in cardiorespiratory-related physiotherapy care, provide recognition to students who demonstrate commitment to cardiorespiratory care, and encourage membership and participation in the Cardiorespiratory Division (CRD) of the CPA.
- Two awards of \$1,000 each will be available per year.
- A student can only win the award once.
- All applicants will be notified of the outcome by November 15th of each year

Interested Applicants Should:

- Be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant.
- Be in the 2nd year of an entry-level physical therapy program at a recognized Canadian university.
- Have an academic average in their PT program of 75% or greater (verified by transcript or student record).
- Have cardiorespiratory experience in a clinical placement setting.
- Have a passion for cardiorespiratory PT and are interested in pursuing future work in this field.

To Apply, Students Must:

- Submit a completed and signed application form (attached below).
- Submit a signed one-page letter of application describing the applicant's interest and experience in cardiorespiratory physiotherapy and career plans in physiotherapy.
- Include **ONE** letter of recommendation from **EITHER** a clinical placement supervisor **OR** an academic instructor (both forms attached below – please only submit one referee form). **Letter of recommendation MUST be sent directly from the referee and NOT submitted by the student.**
- Provide a transcript (unofficial accepted) or academic record from their entry-level physiotherapy program. Record to be sent in PDF format with name visible. Please remove all other sensitive information (e.g. student number, OEN number, SIN number if applicable).



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Entry Level Student Award – Application Form

Applicant's Information:

- Applicant's Name _____
- University _____
- Contact Phone _____
- Contact E-mail _____

Name of Referee:

Please provide your referee with the Letter of Recommendation Form (attached below). Referee must submit completed form to the CRD secretary prior to the September 30th deadline.

- Name of Clinical Referee _____
- OR
- Name of Academic Referee _____

Transcript / Academic Record:

Please send a copy of your transcript or academic record in PDF format via email with your name visible. Please remove all other sensitive information (e.g. student number, OEN number, SIN number if applicable). **Unofficial transcripts are acceptable.** All submissions are to be emailed to;

- Name: Anastasia Newman
- Email: newmanan@mcmaster.ca

Application Letter:

Please attach a signed letter describing your interest and experience in cardiorespiratory physiotherapy and career plans in physiotherapy.

- Arial, 12-point font
- 1-inch margins
- Maximum of 1-page in length, single spaced

Submission:

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- Name: Anastasia Newman
- Email: newmanan@mcmaster.ca

Questions?

Please email any questions to the CRD secretary at the email address above.



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Cardiorespiratory Division of the CPA Entry Level Student Award – Academic Referee Form

The mission of the Cardiorespiratory Division is to unite physiotherapists interested in cardiorespiratory physiotherapy, and to advance cardiorespiratory physiotherapy by promoting best practice through education, knowledge dissemination and translation, and facilitating networking between cardiorespiratory physiotherapists. The objective of the Cardiorespiratory Division Entry Level Student Award is to recognize physiotherapy students who excel in the cardiorespiratory area in both theory and clinical practice, and who have a special interest in this area of physiotherapy.

Please return directly to the CRD secretary at newmanan@mcmaster.ca prior to the September 30th deadline. **Students may not submit on behalf of the referee.**

Using this form, please complete the following:

- Name of Applicant _____
- Applicant's University _____
- Relationship to Applicant _____
- Length of time you have known the applicant _____

ACADEMIC REFEREE ONLY

Briefly outline what you know of the applicant in regard to their academic abilities in the cardiorespiratory area:

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Did this student stand out from their classmates in the cardiorespiratory component of the program?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

IF YES, please explain briefly, providing specific examples where possible:

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Any additional comments that you feel would help the judges to make their decision?

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Referee Name: _____

Referee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Referee Telephone: _____

Referee E-mail: _____

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Using this form, please complete the following:

- Name of Applicant _____
- Applicant's University _____
- Relationship to Applicant _____
- Length of time you have known the applicant _____

CLINICAL REFEREE ONLY

Do you feel that this applicant performed at a very high level during their cardiorespiratory placement?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If YES, please explain briefly, providing specific examples where possible:

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Did they go beyond what you normally expect for a student at that level in this placement, e.g. did additional projects, took on additional tasks, actively sought out learning opportunities in the cardiorespiratory area?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No



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If YES, please explain briefly, providing specific examples where possible:

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Any additional comments that you feel would help the judges to make their decision?

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Referee Name: _____

Referee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Referee Telephone: _____

Referee E-mail: _____

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