

# How to Apply

★ **To be considered for the AID-GC Scholarship**, applicants must apply to at least one of the five participating programs through their regular application process. Scholarship-eligible applicants who meet the criteria for program admission, interview and are accepted for the program's ranked list will be considered for the scholarship.

We welcome scholarship applications from individuals from **backgrounds underrepresented in genetic counseling**. The National Institutes of Health has defined populations underrepresented in the scientific workforce based on data from the National Science Foundation. Visit the NIH website to see if you identify with one or more of these groups: <https://extramural-diversity.nih.gov/diversity-matters>.

Follow these steps to apply:

1. Register for the NMS Match by December 10<sup>th</sup> at <https://natmatch.com/gcadmissions/>
2. Complete the application for the program(s) you are applying to, following their procedures and deadlines.
3. Complete the additional essay for the scholarship application and upload it to your program application(s). The essay prompt for the scholarship is the same for all five participating programs. The word limit 300.

The prompt is: "In actively helping to diversify the field, what may be some ways to promote the inclusion of underrepresented voices in genetic counseling in the future?"

## Learn more:

Visit the website of the University of Pennsylvania Master of Science in Genetic Counseling Program for more information: <https://www.med.upenn.edu/geneticcounseling/alliance-to-increase-diversity-in-genetic-counseling.html>.

Visit the AID-GC website at: <https://aid-gc.org/>.

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