

# SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

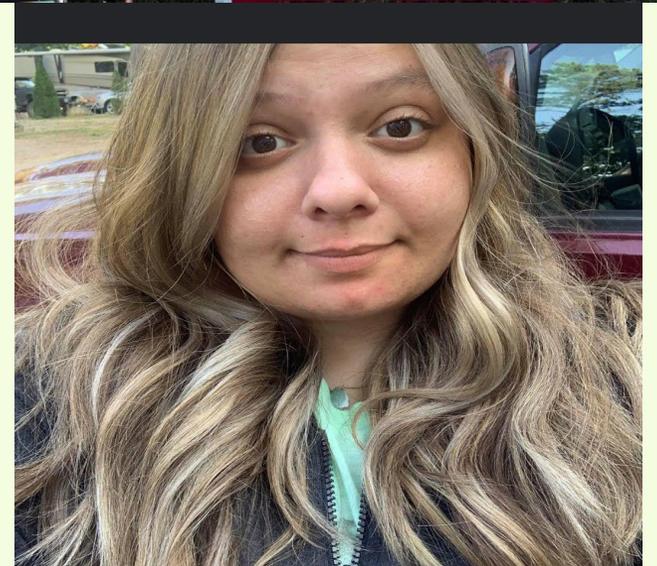
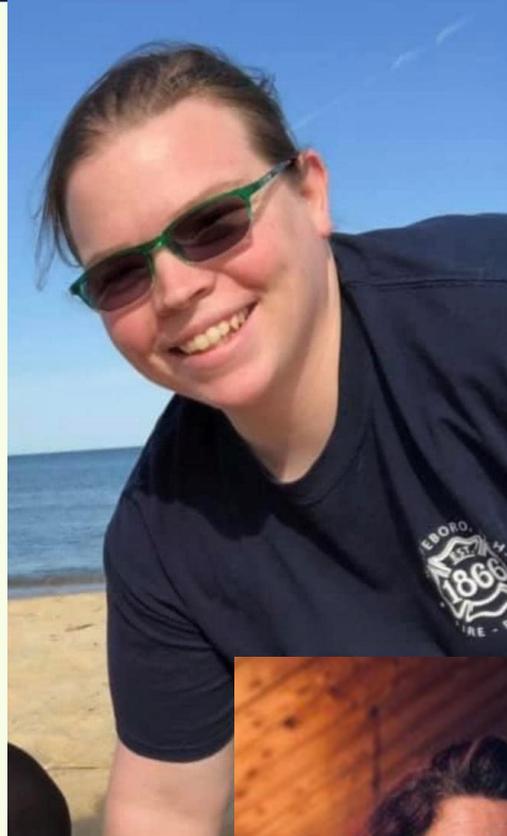
Recipients for Spring 2022



**NHTI**  
Concord's Community College



# OUR STUDENTS



# VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS WELCOME

Welcome to our fourth virtual scholarship awards celebration. We want to celebrate the hard work and dedication of our scholarship recipients and acknowledge our generous donors. We hope that this presentation will best showcase the partnerships that NHTI and our alumni, local businesses, and community supporters have built in the support of our outstanding NHTI students.

– Dr. Andrew Fisher  
NHTI Vice President of Academic Affairs



# DAVID SCOTT TURNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

David Scott Turner was a 1988 graduate of the NHTI Paramedic Emergency Medicine program who lost his life to an automobile accident in June 1990. This scholarship was created by David's family and friends to support students pursuing emergency medical training. Students receiving this award are those who exemplify the same enthusiasm, commitment, and passion for EMS that David showed during his lifetime.

## List of Recipients

“To me this scholarship helps relieve some financial burden. It also boosted my confidence in the paramedic program.”

- Melissa Laporte, Paramedic Emergency Medicine

- Morgan Draus, Paramedic Emergency Medicine

# DONNA LAWRENCE LANEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to students in the NHTI Nursing Program.

## Recipient

“I would like to give my sincere thanks to the donor! Their generosity and kindness is so appreciated and I am so thankful.”

- Alizabeth Dawson, Nursing

# EDWARD C. SWEENEY, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship supports New Hampshire residents who graduated from a New Hampshire high school and enrolled in a certificate or degree program at NHTI. Preference shall be given to students with challenges that can make it more difficult to have an integrated college experience due to a permanent walking disability.

## Recipient

- Kayleigh Younie, Computer Engineering Technology

# ELIZABETH “BETSY” ANTONUCCI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship in support of dental hygiene students was established in 2014 in memory of Elizabeth “Betsy” Antonucci, a practicing dental hygienist for 36 years and a 1978 graduate of NHTI. Betsy was a truly caring person who devoted much time to community service and helping others.

## Recipient

Thank you to all involved in the scholarship recipient decision making process and to all the donors. Each one of you has greatly supported my pursuit of a dental hygiene degree and have placed me on an important career path. I am incredibly proud to soon be a practicing hygienist in our state of New Hampshire following my graduation in May. With this scholarship, you have given me the fuel, the motivation, and determination to follow my career dream of becoming a Professor of Dental Hygiene. The future of oral health care is bright, and I could not be more excited to be involved. Thank you all again, I am beyond grateful.

- Diana Kumpf, Dental Hygiene

# FRANCES H. BENTON ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

“I am eternally grateful for my education at NHTI, which was my gateway to an interesting career with a living wage. I started the scholarship to encourage students who were demographically underrepresented in engineering fields to pursue a technical degree at NHTI and have similar access to excellent career opportunities that I was provided.”

– Ms. Francie Benton, Mechanical Engineering Technology, 1985

## List of Recipients

- Timothy Belanger, Civil Engineering

# FRANCES H. BENTON ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## List of Recipients

“This honor is incredibly meaningful to me, and I am beyond thankful to have received this scholarship. Ms. Benton’s devotion to a diverse and passionate workforce in the fields of engineering and sciences is something that I very much admire and appreciate, and I hope to be able to devote my time and energy to promoting those very same things in the careers that I pursue.”

- Noah Bellemare, Animation & Graphic Design Programming

“Receiving this scholarship means I can continue to pay rent, food and gas and focus solely on my studies and not on my financials. I am very grateful for the doors that this scholarship helps open.”

- Michael Downs, Computer Engineering Technology

“Receiving this scholarship meant that I was able to help pay for my college tuition and be able to save money as well. I’m very grateful for receiving this and I’m thankful for the donor of this scholarship.”

- Abigail Drew, Architectural Engineering Technology

# GRACE K. ORZECZOWSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

“This scholarship was established in 2020 in honor of Grace Orzechowski, a 24-year old student enrolled in the Radiation Therapy program at NHTI at that time. Grace’s 2-year battle with brain cancer never stopped her from continuing to pursue her goal of providing care for other cancer patients.

We know that her courageous determination to fight on will inspire future students enrolled in the Radiation Therapy program to pursue their dreams of a meaningful career in healthcare.”

- Family of Grace K. Orzechowski

## List of Recipients

- Makenzi Coburn, Radiation Therapy
- Garrett England, Radiation Therapy

# JENNIFER KEMP MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

“The Jennifer Kemp scholarship has helped many NHTI students with the tuition for classes for the past 16 years. By supporting and being involved with our fundraising efforts for this scholarship, everyone wins but most importantly our students.”

– Mr. Paul Hogan, Director of Athletics

## List of Recipients

“Receiving this scholarship really brightened my day! This scholarship helped take some of the financial pressure off as I entered my 2nd semester. I am beyond thankful to receive this, and want to thank my donor from the bottom of my heart!”

- Natasha Haley, Dental Assisting

# JENNIFER KEMP MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

## List of Recipients

- Madisyn Buteau, Liberal Arts
- Briana Comeau, Dental Assisting
- William Walker, Sports Management

# LAURA MORGAN SCHOLARSHIP

NHTI Accounting Professor Laura Z. Morgan is the inspiration for the scholarship bearing her name. First and foremost an educator, Professor Morgan devoted her time, talent, passion and humor to NHTI's Business and Accounting students for nearly 30 years. Her expertise in her field and in the classroom made Accounting accessible and enjoyable for thousands of students, and her effective advocacy for students and faculty alike elevate us still.

## List of Recipients

“I am very grateful to have received the NHTI Laura Morgan Scholarship. Having the opportunity to further my education is not something I take for granted. Receiving this scholarship allows me to further my education and help reach my goals.”

-Siobhan Lofblad, Accounting

- Noah Slater, Accounting

# MR. DEVI TIMSINA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR NEW AMERICANS

The Mr. Devi Timsina Memorial Scholarship for New Americans was established in 2012 in memory of a former student. The primary purpose of this scholarship is to assist a responsible, diligent student who entered the United States as a refugee and is furthering their education at NHTI.

## List of Recipients

- Mujinga Cikala, General Studies
- Leela Rai, General Studies

# NASA SPACE GRANT SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to students who are enrolled in associate degree or certificate STEM programs of interest to NASA.

## List of Recipients

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“This scholarship means so much to me and my education! I am in the architectural engineering program at NHTI and feel blessed to be able to further my education. I’m 27, I graduated high school in 2012 and took a few years off before going to college. With the NASA engineering scholarship I am able to conquer my dreams of having a career in the architecture field. I’m very grateful for the opportunity and would like to thank the scholarship donors and the scholarship program itself.”

- Kelzey Gehrke, Architectural Engineering Technology

“I am deeply appreciative that I received this scholarship from NASA. I was ecstatic to see that I was chosen for this financial asset. With it, it allowed me to focus more on my studies for my future, rather than worry about making ends meet with financial burdens. Thank you NASA for picking me as the recipient of this scholarship, and I promise to go above and beyond to show this investment is worthwhile.”

- Richard Pantis, Information Technology/Networking

# NASA SPACE GRANT SCHOLARSHIP

## List of Recipients

- Lilah Flynn, Civil Engineering
- Matthew Found, Architectural Engineering Technology
- Gabrielle Gardiner, Mathematics
- Kayleigh Younie, Computer Engineering Technology

# NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOLARS AWARD

This scholarship is awarded to high school students who have graduated from a participating New Hampshire Scholar high school and completed the core course of study upon graduation.

## List of Recipients

- Mary Gubitose, General Studies
- Eddie Suchocki-Sulborski, Criminal Justice
- Steven Swiderski, Business Administration

# NH DENTAL SOCIETY / DAVIS & TOWLE INSURANCE GROUP

This scholarship supports Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene students who plan on working in New Hampshire upon graduation.

## List of Recipients

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- Diana Kumpf, Dental Hygiene
- Briana Comeau, Dental Assisting
- Victoria Ross, Dental Hygiene

# NHTI ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP

“Having the ability for NHTI alumni to financially support the next generation of students is a great way to give back. Knowing that scholarship recipients are sons, daughters, brothers, or sisters of NHTI alumni is even better. These students will hopefully ‘pay it forward’ and support this scholarship later in life.”

- Ms. Laura Scott, NHTI Director of Alumni and Development

## List of Recipients

“Thank you to the donor for helping me purchase my books for classes. This has made it easier for me to just focus on my studies.”

- Rovanee Nickson, Criminal Justice

- Samantha Malay, Addiction Counseling
- Shania Patten, Dental Hygiene
- Molly Wrobel, Nursing

# NHTI BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship benefits Concord Area Boys and Girls Club members attending NHTI. It is awarded to students who demonstrate strong academic skills and leadership potential, while also being active in campus life and community service at NHTI.

## Recipient

- Chloe Quinn, Nursing

# NHTI STUDENT SENATE GRADUATING STUDENT AWARD

The NHTI Graduating Student Scholarship Award is given to students who will be graduating this semester and have made outstanding contributions to student life while at NHTI.

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- Diana Kumpf, Dental Hygiene

# NHTI STUDENT SENATE GRADUATING STUDENT AWARD

## List of Recipients

“I want to offer my sincere thanks for selecting me as a recipient of the NHTI Student Senate Graduating Student Award. It will go a long way in helping me to achieve my goal of becoming a licensed addiction counselor. Substance use disorder is a major problem in New Hampshire, and I am excited to be working on becoming part of the solution. Because of your help I will be able to meet my goals.”

- Kelly Pilotte, Addiction Counseling

# NORTHEAST DELTA DENTAL DR. THURSTON J. CARPENTER SCHOLARSHIP

“This fund, named after a former dental consultant, began awarding annual scholarships ten years ago to one dental hygiene and one dental assisting student. Northeast Delta Dental established this fund because dental offices and their patients benefit when well-trained dental auxiliary professionals are available. We wanted to help students whose financial challenges made it difficult for them to train for their careers. Congratulations to this year’s scholarship recipient!

– Mr. Tom Raffio, President and CEO, Northeast Delta Dental

## List of Recipients

- Ariana Bernardini, Dental Assisting

# NORTHEAST DELTA DENTAL DR. THURSTON J. CARPENTER SCHOLARSHIP

## List of Recipients

“I am truly honored to have been chosen to receive this reward and I am very grateful for it. Life in the Dental Hygiene Program can be very stressful at times and this was able to ease my mind about some of the stresses that come with it. This scholarship will push me to further my education upon completion of the Dental Hygiene program and I am very thankful for that!”

- Avery Morrow, Dental Hygiene

# NHTI ALPHA UPSILON OMICRON CHAPTER OF PHI THETA KAPPA (PTK) SCHOLARSHIP

“Alpha Upsilon Omicron is NHTI’s chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa international honor society. This scholarship supports NHTI’s Phi Theta Kappa students, who are dedicated to an engaged community of scholarship and to the highest level of academic excellence.”

– Mrs. Trisha Dionne, PTK Club Advisor at NHTI

## Recipient

- Connor Safstrom, Liberal Arts

# PROFESSOR JOANNE MCCRAREN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Joanne C. McCraren was an NHTI Nursing professor from 1970–1982 and was committed to the profession of nursing and her students. She was nonjudgmental and always encouraged students to provide the best care possible and continue to do their best.

## List of Recipients

“This scholarship has helped me to continue my education at NHTI and pursue my goals of a rewarding career where I can work to make a positive impact on the lives of as many people as possible. Knowing that there are so many kind and supportive people like Joanne out there in the world keeps me looking optimistically forwards into the future and always “reaching for the stars.”

- Noah Bellemare, Animation & Graphic Design Program

# PROFESSOR JOANNE MCCRAREN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## List of Recipients

“The scholarship is immensely helpful to me since I cannot otherwise afford to go to school. I love NHTI too. Every staff member with whom I've had the privilege to interact has been so kind, helpful, and enthusiastic. Something good is going on at this school, and I'm grateful to be a part of it.”

- Charles Tabor, Visual Arts

- Grace Bradley, General Studies
- Charlotte Pierce, Paramedic Emergency Medicine

# RACHEL LANZO HIGGINS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship provides assistance to students pursuing emergency medical training, with a preference to those students in the NHTI Paramedic Emergency Medicine program.

## List of Recipients

- Daniel Comeau, Paramedic Emergency Medicine

“This scholarship means so much to me, this program has been so demanding with work outside of class, making work harder and more tiring. As we all know, with prices of rent, gas, groceries, etc. it is really honoring to know that receiving a scholarship will help pay for school. I cannot say thank you enough, to the donors.”

- Ian Ritterbush, Paramedic Emergency Medicine

# STROUT ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

“Our family established the Strout Engineering Technology Scholarship in honor of my father, Dr. George Strout, NHTI’s first president. He remained dedicated and committed to technical education his entire career and was deeply devoted to promoting education. This scholarship embodies his commitment to these ideas and advancing students in these careers.”

– Ms. Sandal Keeffe, Dr. Strout's daughter

## List of Recipients

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- Michael Downs, Computer Engineering Technology

- Lilah Flynn, Civil Engineering

# VISUAL ARTS CAPSTONE SCHOLARSHIP

The Visual Arts Capstone Scholarship was established by private donors to recognize a student's personal artistic advancement by covering the tuition of that final course.

## Recipient

- Emily Dallaire, Visual Arts

# XI MU BETA SIGMA PHI NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 2007 as a legacy of the Xi Mu Beta Sigma Phi, NH Sorority, this scholarship provides financial assistance to Senior Nursing students.

## Recipient

“I feel honored and grateful to be the recipient of the Xi Mu Beta Sigma Phi Nursing Scholarship. It is because of such generosity that I am able to continue my education so that I may become a registered nurse. Thank you for your gift!”

- Jennifer Stewart, Nursing

# OUR STUDENTS



# THANK YOU!

NHTI wants to thank those who took the time and had the dedication to establish these scholarships and those that continue to donate. Our students are on their way to fulfilling their educational dreams because of you.

## **Donate to Our Scholarship Funds**

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# Congratulations to All Recipients!

On behalf of the individual scholarship funds, we wish you the best of luck in your academic and professional careers!

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