Lori Fasano Scholarship

Family and friends of Lori Fasano have established an endowment fund in her honour with the initial value of $30,000 through funds from the Lori Fasano Trust. Lori Fasano (nee Poleschuk) graduated from the Faculty of Pharmacy in 1982 and went on to become a leader in Canadian retail pharmacy. Each year, beginning in 2019-2020 the available annual income from the fund will be used to offer one scholarship to an undergraduate student who:

1. has completed the first year and is registered full-time (minimum 80% course load) in the next ensuing year of study in the degree program in the College of Pharmacy at the University of Manitoba;
2. has achieved a minimum degree grade point average of 3.5;
3. has demonstrated excellence in academics, athletics and leadership ability.

The College of Pharmacy is transitioning from a BSc(Pharm) program to a PharmD program starting in 2019-2020. The first award will be issued to a student who has completed the first year of the BSc(Pharm) program and is transitioning into the first year of the PharmD program. Beginning in 2020-2021 the scholarship will be awarded to a student enrolled in the second year of the PharmD program. This award can only be held once by any student.

Applicants are required to submit a brief essay (maximum 500 words) outlining how they meet criteria (3).

The deadline for applications is August 2nd, 2019

Please forward your applications to:
Professional Program Awards Committee
College of Pharmacy
Room 143 Apotex Centre
750 McDermott Ave
Winnipeg, MB R3E 0T5
Email: pharmacy@umanitoba.ca
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Biographical Information:
Lori Fasano grew up in the neighbourhood of Elmwood in Winnipeg, Manitoba. While attending Elmwood High School, Lori played volleyball, basketball, baseball, field hockey and ran track. When she graduated, she was awarded the Governor General's Medal for the highest academic average of her graduating class. During her high school years, Lori had a part-time job as a cashier at Brown’s Drugstore on Henderson Highway, which was her first exposure to the business of pharmacy. It was her mother who suggested she study pharmacy at university, because she enjoyed that job so much. During her university years, Lori continued to be active in sports, and she graduated in 1982 with a BSc Pharmacy from the University of Manitoba. In April of 2013 Lori suffered an anoxic brain injury, and has lived with a severe disability since. Thanks to the generous support of friends who have rallied around Lori and her family in the years since, this scholarship has been established to celebrate Lori’s legacy and values.