

Marcia K. Carlson Award

Description and Application

Marcia K. Carlson (October 8, 1925 – June 12, 2012) came to SUNY Cortland in 1962. Although she spent the majority of her 26 years of teaching in the Department of Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies, she initially was hired by the Department of Physical Education. Dr. Carlson's contributions to the field of outdoor education are numerous and varied. Her career began the public schools, with 12 years of infusing outdoor education in the physical education and general curriculum. By 1952, she had started school camping programs in Pittsburgh. Concurrently, she was active in the outdoor programs of the 4-H, Boy Scouts, Settlement Houses, and American Camping Association.

Dr. Carlson continued her contributions to outdoor education at SUNY Cortland. In addition to teaching many recreation courses, she was responsible for conducting the recreation majors program at Cortland's Outdoor Education Center on Raquette Lake for more than 15 years. She also developed a new interdisciplinary minor in outdoor education.

In 1986, Dr. Carlson was the recipient of the Julian Smith Award presented by the National Outdoor Education Council, and in 1992, she was the recipient of the New York State Outdoor Education Association's Harlan "Gold" Metcalf Award. She was also recognized for her efforts in the initial and continuing education of outdoor education professionals by the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance and the New York State Outdoor Education Association.

Dr. Carlson's retirement activities included fishing trips to Alaska and committee work for the National Rifle Association. She passed away in June 2012.

The Marcia K. Carlson Award is given to a deserving student majoring in Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies for significant contributions in the area of outdoor education.

The Award will be given to a Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies major who:

- Has earned at least 90 credit hours towards graduation and will complete all degree requirements by May, August, or December 2014;
- Has maintained a minimum GPA of 2.5; and
- Demonstrates dedication to fostering high regard for people and the natural world through outdoor education.

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship, submit:

- (1) a Carlson Award Application cover sheet (*see page 2*),
- (2) a résumé or completed résumé form (*see page 3*), and
- (3) typed responses to the four questions listed on the application cover sheet.

Deadline:

All materials must be submitted to the department secretary by **March 3, 2014**.

Student Award Application

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Please type or print neatly:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please type your responses to the following questions separately and attach them to this application. Limit your combined answers for all four questions to a total of no more than **three double-spaced pages**.

Please address questions #1 and #2 in **list form**:

1. What types of activities have you been involved in during your college career?
2. What awards, scholarships or honors have you received during your college career?

Please address questions #3 and #4 in **essay form**:

3. What is your future professional goal?
4. The Marcia K. Carlson Award is given to a recreation major who has demonstrated his or her dedication to fostering high regard for people and the natural world through outdoor education. How do you exemplify these characteristics and qualities?

Return this application by March 3, 2014, to Darleen Lieber (2213 PRST) (darleen.lieber@cortland.edu)

Resume Form
(For Student Awards/Scholarship)

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Local Address and Phone: _____

Home Address and Phone: _____

Education: Major Code: _____ Minor Code: _____ Current GPA: _____
Expected Grad. Date: _____ Hours Towards Graduation: _____
Previous College/University: _____

Employment (List in chronological order starting with current position):

Volunteer Experience:

Club, Organization Memberships (offices held, committee responsibilities, with dates):

Awards and Honors (include dates):

Certifications:

If there is other information you wish to add to this application, please use the reverse side of this form.