

### PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

The Nursing Education Loan Repayment program is established for the purpose of increasing the number of nursing faculty in nursing education programs in the State of Maine. The program provides \$20,000 over three years for individuals who have completed their master's degree in nursing or \$40,000 over three years to individuals who have completed their doctoral degree in nursing, to assist eligible nurse educators working in Maine.

In addition to completing FAME's application, an applicant must:

- Be a nurse registered in the State of Maine.
- Be currently enrolled in a master's or doctoral degree program in nursing or have completed a master's or doctoral degree in nursing.
- Possess an outstanding education loan relating to a master's or doctoral nursing degree.
- Sign a statement of intent in a form acceptable to FAME to work as full-time nursing faculty in a nursing education program in Maine for a minimum of three years after acceptance into the nursing education loan repayment program.
- Teach in a nursing education program at an eligible Title IV institution in Maine.
- Submit evidence of outstanding educational loans attributable to education for master's or doctoral degree.
- Submit proof of employment. If employed, FAME will submit an electronic certification to your employer. If not yet employed, you must submit a contract or employment letter.

*This program is governed by Maine law as set forth in 10 M.R.S.A. Section 1019*

### INSTRUCTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Submit completed application and required documents to FAME by **September 1, 2022**.

Applicants must:

- Carefully complete and submit the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program online application which includes a signed statement to work as full-time nursing faculty in a nursing education program in Maine for a minimum of three years after acceptance into the program.
- Include an essay (limit 4,500 characters) describing your commitment to Maine as a nurse educator and the impact that being selected would have on your career goals.
- Provide copy of Maine nursing license.
- Submit proof of full-time employment on a form acceptable to FAME. If employed, FAME will submit an electronic certification to your employer. If not yet employed, you must submit a contract or employment letter.
- Submit evidence of outstanding educational loans attributable to education for master's or doctoral degree.

#### **Important Application Tips:**

- "Pop-ups" must be enabled
- Once you begin the online application, you must finish the process. The online application cannot be saved to finish later.
- Have required documents ready in PDF format prior to starting application.

**You must submit all required documents for your application to be considered complete. Applications that are not complete by the deadline date are ineligible. FAME assumes no responsibility for identifying missing or erroneous information.**

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program online application
- Official transcript – master's or doctoral degree
- Current loan statement showing proof of educational loans associated with master's or doctoral degree
- State of Maine nursing license
- Résumé

