

Yoonseo Lee

Progress Report

My name is Yoonseo Lee, and I was happy to know that I was chosen for the Seoul National University College of Medicine Alumni Association of North America Dr. Whan Chang II and Drs. Choi Scholarship. I am a sophomore at the University of Southern California, majoring in fine art. Without this scholarship, I would not be able to make it to University. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to help me reach my goal and support me financially. I will use this scholarship to fund my college tuition. As a low-income family, I always worried about how to afford college tuition. Therefore, I'm truly thankful and appreciate everyone for giving me this opportunity to further my goals at University.

This scholarship helped me financially with my education. Majoring in art requires a lot of art supplies for class. Since USC does not provide me with art materials, it was hard to afford them and tuition simultaneously. I would have to work and study all day, but this scholarship allows me to work fewer hours and focus more on my studies.

As a fine art student, I always wanted to help people through my art. As I stated in my essay, when I was going through depression, making art healed my depression and led to my academic interest in studying the intersection between art and psychology. It also led to my long-term goal of becoming an art therapist. At University, I will develop the capacity to create more nuanced and emotionally layered art and build a foundation of knowledge for graduate studies in art therapy. My dream is to make an art therapy for people who have mental illness. Millions of Americans and Koreans suffer from anxiety and depression that can be relieved with well-guided art therapy. I'll contribute to a meaningful life by becoming part of their solution.

