

Transforming Our Community... One Student at a Time

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Ms. Patrice Kane
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Patrice,

It was wonderful speaking with you yesterday. Please know how much we deeply appreciate everything that you and JG Petrucci are doing to support our veterans. Since the inception of your scholarship in 2017, you have had a generational impact on our veterans, and their children, in the Union County community. Each one of your scholarship recipients truly understands how important education is and are some of our best students. However, without your generous support and commitment to those who serve, these students would not have the opportunity to complete their degree.

"Service to my country is something I take very seriously. I am a member of the National Guard and volunteer for projects in the community whenever possible. Your financial assistance will permit me to devote even more time to my country's needs, community service, academic excellence, and acting as a role model for my siblings and the young people with whom they associate."

Dimitri Pericles 2019 JP Petrucci Veterans Scholarship Recipient

As you can see, your scholarship not only has an impact on the student, but also their family and community. We are honored to partner with you to ensure that our veterans, and their families, have every opportunity to continue their education and receive a degree. For without your continued support, our ability to accelerate the pace of student success would be diminished.

I look forward to seeing you in October at your annual golf outing and hope you enjoy the rest of your summer.

Sincerely,



Doug Rouse
Executive Director

Dear J.G. Petrucci Company,

My name is Amanda T. Guerra and I am extremely honored and grateful to have been awarded this scholarship. I truly appreciate this opportunity to learn, despite my financial situation, thanks to your generous support. I promise the J.G. Petrucci Co. Veteran Scholarship will not be wasted.

I am a non-traditional student but that will not keep me from succeeding in making my dreams a reality. I received a prior Bachelors degree in Psychology and had every hope in continuing my education. After my 4-year college experience I had wished to continue my education in graduate school to become a Physical Therapist and to eventually work in pediatrics. However, I unfortunately ran into some financial issues and could not continue with my education just yet.

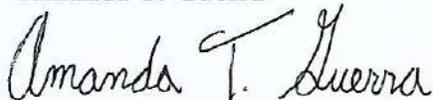
Rather than give up, I decided to use the resources I had available to find my way. I then discovered the Physical Therapy Assistant Program at UCC. Both my mother and father, as Veterans themselves, have instilled in me the core values of the armed forces, which have helped me overcome adversity. As my family is comprised of Army, Navy and Air Force veterans I was raised on the strong beliefs in loyalty commitment, respect, selfless service, excellence, honor, integrity, and personal courage.

Having my financial assistance come from a Veteran scholarship is important to me as it recognizes my family for their contribution to this country as well as how they have used their experiences in the service to provide me a solid life and educational foundation. This scholarship will provide me immense help in paying for my education and allows me to focus more on my studies.

The Physical Therapy Assistant program does not recommend students work more than 12 hours a week in order to focus on studies to successfully graduate. Since I live on my own and my college fund was used to contribute to my mother's medical expenses, as she receives treatment for cancer, I have no choice but to work full time. With this generous contribution I can lessen my workload to better manage my time to maximize study time. In doing so I can better achieve my goal of graduating with honors and entering a lifelong career in serving and helping others.

I thank you again for this opportunity, your generosity and support. My hope is that one-day when I am successfully working in the Physical Therapy Field that I can pay this opportunity forward to the next generation of students.

Sincerely,
Amanda T. Guerra

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda T. Guerra". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

J. G. PETRUCCI VETERANS SCHOLARSHIP

Dear Donor,

Thank you so much for funding the Petrucci Veteran's Scholarship. I was fortunate to be chosen as one of the recipients of your scholarship. I feel so excited, blessed and grateful to have been chosen to receive this generous scholarship. It has been a long desired dream to complete my college education and become a nurse. The intended goal for my life is to help and advocate for people especially those who cannot help themselves. If it were not for caring philanthropists such as yourself individuals like me would be unable to pursue such goals.

Somewhere deep within I knew that a way would be made for me to further my college education. These funds will help me pay for tuition, books, and will ensure that I'm able to complete my education at Union County College. Thank you again for giving me the opportunity and being a blessing not only to me but my family as well.

Sincerely,

Jasmine A. Jensen