

A large, circular library with multiple levels of bookshelves. The shelves are filled with books, and the space is lit by a large, circular skylight in the center. In the foreground, there are several study tables with computers and people working. The overall atmosphere is quiet and scholarly.

Navin Narayan

February Crash Course Call



Introduction

Natalie Kim: Crash Course Call Lead

Icebreaker Question:

What is the best/ your favorite day of the week and why?



What are the Crash Course Calls?

Discussing Red Cross related topics such as lines of service, history, etc. and connecting youth to opportunities related to the discussed topics. Join the CCCs to learn more about the Red Cross and youth opportunities to engage in!



Who is Navin Narayan?

A Rhodes Scholar, a Harvard Graduate,
and a dedicated American Red Cross
Volunteer



More About His Life



Why We Celebrate Him & His Legacy

Navin Narayan had a dedication to service, learning, and growing--proving that youth aren't just our future leaders, but are current changemakers.

We honor his legacy through the Navin Narayan College Scholarship.



Navin Narayan College Scholarship

What it is and Who is eligible

01

The Scholarship

- 2 recipients of a \$1,000 scholarship

02

Eligibility

- High School Senior
- 2 years of Red Cross experience minimum
- Plan to attend a 4 year college/university

03

Responsibilities

- Red Cross Activity List
- Activity List
- Essays
- Recommendation Forms



Application Timeline

Application Closes

March 3rd, 2025

April 14th 11:59 pm ET

End of April

Application Opens

Recipients Chosen

Mark your calendars for these important dates!



Application Components



1. Part 1: Contact Information

- a. Personal Information
- b. Red Cross Unit Information
- c. High School Information
- d. References
 - i. High School and Red Cross Reference

2. Academic Information

- a. Transcript Summary

3. Honors and Awards

- a. Non- Red Cross Related and Red Cross Related

4. Red Cross Involvement

5. Non- Red Cross Involvement

6. Essay Questions

- a. 3 Essays
- b. two 250 word essays
- c. one 500 word essay



References

Who Should I Ask?

- **References should be able to:**
 - address personal characteristics
 - any relevant achievements of the applicant
- **High School Reference**
 - Should be a teacher or counselor
- **Red Cross Reference**
 - regional Red Cross staff or adult that has worked closest to you



Honors and Awards

- **Similar to college application Common App**
 - only include things from 9th grade and on
 - use creative action verbs in your description
 - use numerical data to back up your description

Academic Honors & Awards				
Title	Level*	National	State	Local
Description:				



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Academic Honors & Awards				
Navin Narayan College Scholarship	Level*	National	State	Local
Description: <u>Sole</u> recipient of the 2024 Navin Narayan College Scholarship, awarded to <u>one</u> high school Red Cross volunteer nationwide. Recognized for <u>four</u> years of service and commitment to volunteerism and academic achievement. <u>\$1,000</u> award.				



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Date:
Statement of Impact:



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Title: Pacific Division Representative, IHL YAC Hybrid Summit 2023

Date: July 2023- August 2023

Statement of Impact:

1 of 4 representatives for 9 states on the West Coast. Engaged in a hybrid summit for the month of July 2023 where 26 representatives from around the world gathered together to curate events and materials future International Humanitarian Law advocates could use to successfully hold a youth action campaign. Selected because my campaign was not only very successful, but also had many unique elements compared to other campaigns within my region.



Essays

Navin Narayan was deeply passionate about public service and excelled in academia. Please describe the importance of scholarship and public service in your life, and how the Red Cross has guided your passion for both learning and serving others.

250 words max

The transition from high school to college is a tough one, which raises the question of how and where to devote one's time and resources. Please describe your goals for continued involvement with the American Red Cross upon matriculation.

250 words max

The American Red Cross has touched so many lives that almost everyone has a Red Cross story. Please describe a powerful experience that conveys how this organization either drew you to volunteer or makes you proud to be a volunteer. Please share your Red Cross story.

500 words max

What Should I Talk About?



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- Example of how your Red Cross experience has inspired you today

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- Plans for future involvement.
 - College club?
 - Other RC leadership position?
 - Plans for the remainder of the fiscal year?

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- How you first found out about the Red Corss
 - what inspires you to continue volunteering?



Past Scholarship Recipients

2024



Natalie Kim

Crash Course Call Lead

2023



Emily Wang

Peer Outreach Working
Group Lead

2022



Natasha Banga

Chair



Q & A



National Youth Council Professional Development Series

The National Youth Council is hosting a series of professional development workshops from now until the end of April. Each workshop focuses on a different skill Red Cross Youth can apply to future college, internship or job opportunities. The series aims to help volunteers showcase their Red Cross experience in professional settings. Workshops are open to all!

Sign up now on Volunteer Connection under My Shifts > Global Shifts > Youth and Young Adult Events!

Any questions?

Contact emily.wang2@redcross.org!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES

Your Red Cross experience is impactful—learn how to showcase it!

Mark your calendars for this series presented by members of the National Youth Council

MARKETING YOUR RED CROSS EXPERIENCE 7-8 PM ET	FEB 04
PUBLIC SPEAKING 7-8 PM ET	MAR 08
RESUME BUILDING 7-8 PM ET	APR 10
NETWORKING & MAKING CONNECTIONS 5-6 PM ET	MAR 29
OPPORTUNITY SEEKING BASED ON PASSIONS 6-7 PM ET	APR 22

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