

Aboriginal Scholarships and Bursaries

British Columbia

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Aboriginal Financial Officers Association – 2 specific scholarships listed (University of Northern BC and Douglas College)

http://afoa.ca/afoa/portal_bc.asp

BC Hydro Aboriginal Scholarships

(*note: check back to this website between January and mid-April)

http://www.bchydro.com/community/community_investment/scholarships.html#aboriginal

BC Principals and Vice Principals Association (check back in March 2012) – 2 scholarships for First Nations students

<http://www.bcpvpa.bc.ca/node/10>

Coqualeetza Cultural Education Centre Pam Koczapska Memorial Award – awarded to a student planning a career in education or in any professional field that will benefit the Upper Sto:lo people; preference is given to Sto:lo students and then to First Nations students who have lived in the Sto:lo area between Langley and Yale for at least 24 months

http://www.ufv.ca/fineaid/fineaid_awards/external/N-S.htm

<http://www.coqualeetza.com/> (click on Programs on left tool bar and scroll down to Education Awards)

Government of British Columbia – Student Aid BC

<http://www.aved.gov.bc.ca/studentaidbc/specialprograms/grants.htm> (grants and bursaries)

<http://www.aved.gov.bc.ca/studentaidbc/specialprograms/scholarships.htm> (scholarships)

Government of Canada portal – 13 specific websites for BC

<http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/acp/site.nsf/eng/ao20062.html>

Government of Canada portal with database of 104 bursaries specific to BC

<http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/ab/site.nsf/index-eng?OpenView&Query=PRO-23152623-2MQ-PROD-82C2MR>

Health Sciences Association of BC Aboriginal Bursary Award

(*note: check website in December 2012 when list of awards is released)

<http://www.hsabc.org/content.php?id=10&sid=5#scholarships>

Irving K. Barber BC Scholarship Society – BC Aboriginal Student Award

<http://www.bcscholarship.ca/web/aboriginal>

New Relationship Trust – scholarships and bursaries for bachelors, masters, and doctorate students

(*note: check back to this website in March/April for 2012/2013 school year application)

<http://www.newrelationshiptrust.ca/funding/for-students>

Nuu-chah-nulth Post-Secondary Scholarships – for qualified members of the Nuu chah nulth First Nations

<http://www.nuuchahnulth.org/tribal-council/educ/index.html>

School Finder – can search for scholarships at BC colleges and universities by name or by school

<http://www.schoolfinder.com/>

YVR Art Foundation Scholarship – for those whose goal is to become a professional artist

<http://yvraf.com/scholarship-program-overview>

National

Aboriginal Canada Financial Assistance – comprehensive portal with overarching list of 28 websites for both scholarships and bursaries

<http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/acp/site.nsf/eng/ao20011.html>

Aboriginal Learning Links – comprehensive portal with overarching list of 56 scholarships, grants, and bursaries for BC and nationwide

<http://www.aboriginalllearning.ca/resources/1/1/2>

Aboriginal Scholarship Guide (Aboriginal Multimedia Society) – can search by province and/or organization; also includes links to US scholarships!

<http://www.ammsa.com/community-access/scholarships/>

Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth

http://www.ccab.com/foundation_for_the_advancement_of_aboriginal_youth

Government of Canada – CanLearn – student loans, grants, and scholarships

<http://www.canlearn.ca/eng/postsec/money/index.shtml>

Government of Canada portal with a database of 350 different types of funding

<http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/acp/site.nsf/eng/funding.html>

Government of Canada portal with database of 625 bursaries across Canada

<http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/ab/site.nsf/index-eng?openview>

Husky Energy – Aboriginal Education Awards

<http://www.huskyenergy.com/socialresponsibility/aboriginalaffairs/educationawards.asp>

National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation

http://www.naaf.ca/download_applications

National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation – Building Brighter Futures Scholarship and Bursary Awards 2011-2012

<http://www.naaf.ca/scholarships> (download the PDF)

Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) Aboriginal Student Awards Program

http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal_student_awards.html

Scholarships Canada – portal with a database for scholarships, bursaries, and grants

<http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/>

School Finder – can search for scholarships at Canadian colleges and universities by name or by school

<http://www.schoolfinder.com/>

Student Scholarships.org – portal with a database for scholarships

<http://www.studentscholarships.org/>

In the future...websites to check out once you are enrolled in a program

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Aboriginal Learning Links – provides direct links to specific post-secondary institutions' websites on scholarships and bursaries

<http://www.aboriginallearning.ca/resources/1/1/19>

Assembly of First Nations Heroes of Our Time Scholarship – 8 awards of \$2000 for students who have completed at least one year of post-secondary education in the fields of: a) Criminology b) Native Studies c) Social Work d) Political Science e) Medicine f) Law g) Education h) Science

<http://www.afn.ca/index.php/en/policy-areas/education/other/heroes-of-our-time-scholarships-2012>

First Citizens Fund Student Bursary Program (ranging from \$700 - \$2000/year)

<http://www.bcaafc.com/programs/firstcitizensfund/31-studentbursary>

First Nations Center – First Nations Health Student Bursary (for students enrolled in programs for the advancement of First Nations health – see the extensive list of programs/faculties you can be taking courses in to qualify)

<http://www.naho.ca/firstnations/bursary/>

Canada Post Aboriginal Education Incentive Awards

<http://www.canadapost.ca/cpo/mc/aboutus/community/aboriginaleducation/default.jsf?LOCALE=en>

Chief Joe Matthias BC Aboriginal Scholarship Fund

http://www.fnesc.ca/current_issues/scholarships/

GE Foundation Scholar-Leaders Program - a unique program that provides financial support and skills development opportunities for up to 5 accomplished first-year undergraduate students from recognized institutions who are pursuing degrees in the fields of engineering or business/management.

<http://scholarshipandmore.org/canada/program-details/>

Husky Energy – Aboriginal Education Awards

<http://www.huskyenergy.com/socialresponsibility/aboriginalaffairs/educationawards.asp>

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) – awards programs for undergraduate, postgraduate, postdoctoral

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/index_eng.asp

University and College Application for Admission Timeline

- BCIT – applications are accepted for most technical programs beginning October 1, 2013. Applications are accepted year round for trades programs until the program fills. Check into specific deadlines for the program(s) of interest
<http://www.bcit.ca/admission/whentoapply.shtml>

- Douglas College – applications are accepted beginning October 15, 2013, but applications for the Fall semester are between May1-August 1 (different deadlines for different programs). April 1st is the deadline for the Douglas Entrance Scholarship Awards deadline.
http://www.douglascollege.bc.ca/calendar_intro/import.html

- SFU – students can begin applying in fall of 2012. Early admission deadline to apply is February 28, 2013. Final deadline is April 30, 2013. The deadline for the Entrance scholarship is February 28th, 2013.
https://students.sfu.ca/deadlines/admission_scholarships.html

- UBC – Deadline to apply is January 31, 2013.
<https://you.ubc.ca/ubc/vancouver/dates.ezc>

- UVIC - students can begin applying in fall of 2013. Deadline to apply is February 28, 2013. All documentation must be in by May 1, 2013.
<https://registrar.uvic.ca/undergrad/admissions/apply/deadlines.html>

- Universities in Alberta – go to www.applyalberta.ca

- Universities in Ontario – apply no later than mid-January 2013.
Go to www.ouac.on.ca/ouac-105/

- All other universities/colleges – check their website for admission deadlines

*NOTE – Each institution will instruct you as to how you are to submit your marks. If you need assistance, see your school Career Resource Facilitator or your school counselor.