

**The King's University  
Indigenous Student Funding  
Guide 2021-2022**



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## APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

*When should you apply for scholarships?*

Applying for scholarships is a year long process and can often take significant amounts of time just to complete one application. Therefore, giving yourself an ample amount of time to create a high quality application is key to increasing your chances of receiving a scholarship. This funding guide is provided to students as an aid and is by no means a complete set of all scholarships available to students.

*What are the Criteria?*

- ✚ Many scholarships have various criteria as deciding factors for who receives scholarships, some of these include:
  - Experiencing financial need
  - Volunteerism & connection with indigenous community
  - Indigenous group (Métis, First Nations, Inuit), not all scholarships are universal and can be specific to a single indigenous group
  - GPA
  - Leadership
  - Career Goals

It is encouraged that every student thoroughly look through this package and take note of all the scholarships they are eligible for and ensure they give themselves ample time to submit a quality application.

## THE KING'S UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

These scholarships are available each year from February 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>. You must be a full-time student to qualify for over 90 scholarships and bursaries. Students receive an average of \$1,500 and those who apply have a 40% success rate.

Always apply for these scholarships and bursaries:

<https://www.kingsu.ca/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships>

Or

Google 'kingsu.ca' → Menu → Admissions → Scholarships and Student Finance → Scholarships and Bursaries



**EDMONTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**  
[Student Awards, Bursaries, and Scholarships | ECF \(ecfoundation.org\)](http://ecfoundation.org)

As one of Canada's largest charitable foundations the Edmonton Community Foundation has been providing scholarships to students since 1989. Each year they give out a multitude of scholarships for Indigenous students across the province. This should be a top priority for scholarship planning if you are experiencing financial need.

- ✚ Belcourt Brosseau Métis Award (\$2,000 - \$10,000)
  - Métis students residing in Alberta, Deadline is March 31 annually
- ✚ Winspear Fund Scholarships for Advanced Classical Music (\$1,000 - \$8,000)
  - For music students who study classical music, Deadline is March 31 annually
- ✚ Ranald & Vera Shean Memorial Scholarships (\$1,000 - \$5,000)
  - For music students who study violin or piano in Edmonton or Northern Alberta, Deadline is March 31 annually
- ✚ Alexandra M. Munn Scholarships and John & Andrea Wallin Awards (\$300 - \$1,000)
  - For Edmonton area individuals ages 11 - 15 with exceptional talent in classical music, Deadline is May 15
- ✚ Edmonton Refugee and Emerging Communities Award (\$1,000 - \$5,000)
  - Deadline is May 1st annually
- ✚ Nancy Fairley Scholarship (\$3,000)
  - For full International Baccalaureate (IB) students, nominated by IB English 30 teacher, Deadline is May 31
- ✚ Don and Norine Lowry Awards for Women of Excellence (\$1,000 - \$5,000)
  - For women who are pursuing studies in the fields of Engineering, Medicine, Nursing, water, power, energy, finance, accounting and safety, Deadline is May 31 annually
- ✚ ECF Awards and Bursaries (\$1,000 - \$6,000)
  - For students with financial need with a history in leadership roles or volunteer roles, Deadline is May 15
- ✚ Al Maurer Awards (\$500 - \$2,500)
  - Public service employees award, Deadline is August 31
- ✚ Charmaine Letourneau Scholarships (\$2,000 - \$5,000)
  - Deaf or hearing impaired individuals, Deadline is August 31



## INDIGENOUS CAREER AWARDS

<https://studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships/indigenous-careers-award/>

To encourage Indigenous Albertans (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) to pursue and complete post-secondary studies in certificate, diploma, applied degree and bachelor's degree programs leading to high-demand career outcomes in Alberta.

- ✚ \$2,000 per term, maximum of \$4,000 per academic year
- ✚ For students in business, health sciences, physical sciences, natural and applied science, social science, technologist programs
- ✚ Offered directly from the Canadian government to The King's University, apply through Angela Schmuland in the Registration and Student Finance office

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## INDSPIRE'S BUILDING BRIGTHER FUTURES: BURSARIES, SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS (BBF) PROGRAM

[www.INDspire.ca](http://www.INDspire.ca)

Indspire is a national Indigenous registered charity that invests in the education of Indigenous people (First Nations, Inuit and Métis) for the long term benefit of these individuals, their families and communities, and Canada. Since 2004, Indspire has provided over \$115 million in financial support to more than 37,500 Firsts Nations, Inuit and Métis students.

- ✚ Varies
- ✚ Contact Information
  - [info@indspire.ca](mailto:info@indspire.ca)
  - 1-855-463-7747
- ✚ Variety of scholarships for all indigenous groups + all levels of education, can even apply for scholarships if in high school



# Indspire

Indigenous education, | L'éducation des autochtones.  
Canada's future. | L'avenir du Canada.

## RUPERTSLAND INSTITUTE

[www.rupertsland.org](http://www.rupertsland.org)

Rupertsland Institute (RI) is an affiliate of the Métis Nation of Alberta. The RI is incorporated as a not-for-profit organization under the Alberta Business Corporation. RI's vision is for a skilled, knowledgeable and self-reliant Métis Nation and is integral to enhancing the self-sufficiency and well-being of Alberta Métis through quality education, training and research.

- ✚ Métis individuals can obtain funding for post-secondary education, apprenticeship programs and certificate courses
- ✚ Contact Information
  - 1-888-486-3847
  - Edmonton  
3rd Floor, 12308 - 111th Avenue  
Edmonton, AB T5M 2N4
  - P: 780.423.2237  
F: 780.482.2834
  - Monday - Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

### POST-SECONDARY STUDENT SUPPORT

YEAR OF STUDY SUPPORT	Institution	Program	Amount
1 <sup>ST</sup> YEAR	College and University	Diploma or Degree	\$7,500
2 <sup>ND</sup> YEAR	University	Degree	\$7,500
2 <sup>ND</sup> YEAR	College	Diploma (Final 2 Semesters)	\$15,000
3 <sup>RD</sup> YEAR	University	Degree	\$15,000
4 <sup>TH</sup> YEAR	University	Degree	\$15,000
POSTGRADUATE (ONE-TIME ONLY)	University	PhD, MA, MBA or Professional Program	Up to \$20,000





## RUPERTSLAND INSTITUTES - STUDENT FUNDING RESOURCES

The Rupertsland institute has an extensive package that further outlines additional scholarships. I highly recommend using the student funding resource, specifically the section titled 'Aboriginal Scholarships (Listed September to August)'. This package can be received from The King's Universities Indigenous student leader.