Student Refugee Program

Each year, King's partners with World University Services Canada (WUSC) to provide a scholarship to a refugee university student. Many students in refugee camps complete their high school studies only to face the reality of no post-secondary options; they do not hold citizenship and do not have employment opportunities or funding to achieve their educational goals. This is where WUSC and King's fill the gap by offering a pathway to Canadian resettlement and university education.

Who?

King's has partnered with World University Service of Canada (WUSC) to offer university education to students who desire postsecondary studies, but are limited by their refugee status. To date, King's has sponsored 2 students who came directly from refugee camps. More refugee students are eagerly applying for sponsorship at King's.

WUSC, a Canadian non-profit, works with a diverse network of students, volunteers, institutions, governments, and businesses to improve education, economic, and empowerment opportunities for young people.

Where?

WUSC representatives visit refugee camps worldwide, reviewing hundreds of applications for each available scholarship. WUSC has official agreements with the United Nations and 39 countries of asylum.



39 countries of origin

Quick Facts:

SRP students across Canada, per year: (Fall 2024)	146
SRP students since 1978:	2200+
SRP students at King's:	2
Sponsoring institutions:	114
Independent Christian sponsoring institutions:	1
Refugees able to access to higher education:	7%
SRP founding date:	1939









Funding?

While King's sponsors the first year of academic study and residence, private donations are needed to support the student's physical well-being. King's is required to meet the SRP student's basic living needs for one year. These costs are covered entirely through private donations.





How are SRP students chosen?

Since 1939, WUSC has been partnering with refugee settlements worldwide, offering scholarships to high school graduates who meet the entrance requirements of sponsoring post-secondary institutions in Canada.

Where do SRP students come from?

Students arrive each year from 39 countries. These students have designated refugee status, registered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Do SRP students require language courses?

SRP students must be fluent in English or French to be accepted into the program.

How old are they?

SRP students must be between 18 and 25 years old, unmarried, with no dependents.

Are they international students?

No, the SRP program is a pathway to settlement in Canada through Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. SRP students receive Permanent Residence upon landing.

How can I partner?

Each year, King's seeks \$16,500 in donations to cover the SRP student's basic living needs. Gifts in kind are also gladly accepted!

Even though the SRP student will receive a scholarship from King's for tuition and housing in their first year, we depend on fundraising to meet the remainder of the student's living needs.

Learn more or donate:



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