



**EXTERNAL
SCHOLARSHIPS**

2024-2025

Welcome to Semiahmoo Scholarships! So, you've decided you want access to free money?! Read on 😊

STEP 1 → Research post-secondary options. Where do you want to go to school? What do you want to major in? Most scholarships require you to be admitted to a program before you are given the money.

STEP 2 → Look at admission requirements for your top programs and university/college choices and when deadlines to apply are. Some schools provide **early entrance scholarships** directly on their website as early as September!

Use the website <https://www.educationplannerbc.ca/> to help you look up information on post-secondary and trades programs. Go to the Ministry of Education's Transcripts and Certificates page - <https://www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca> and register for a Basic BCeID so that you can start sending transcripts to your top post-secondary options!

STEP 3 → Make sure you add yourself to the Semiahmoo GRADS TEAMS page so that you can get up to date scholarship information. Also, sign up for <https://scholartree.ca/> and <https://studentscholarships.org/> to access scholarship applications for all Canadian students.

STEP 4 → Understand the many options out there for Scholarships and Bursaries.

External Scholarships – offered outside of the school, apply directly based on guidelines and requirements. Take a look through the list of offerings attached to this document!

Internal Scholarships – offered inside of the school, must apply through the careers office with Ms.Ellis.

Internal Scholarships – only offered to Semiahmoo students, specific guidelines, applications open in spring

Partners 36 Scholarships- Available to all grade 12 Surrey School students, submit to the career center. <https://www.surreyschools.ca/page/11480/post-secondary-scholarships>

BC Excellence Scholarship – internal, only one nominee per school, must demonstrate community service, leadership and commitment to academics/learning

BC Achievement Scholarship – automatic (students don't need to apply) based on highest cumulative grade point average

District Authority Scholarships – multiple students can apply, ask a teacher to nominate you for demonstrating excellence in one or more of 7 areas: indigenous languages and culture, fine arts, applied skills, community service, physical activity, international languages, technical and trades training

Pathways to Teacher Education Scholarship – for students pursuing teacher education, apply directly through ministry of education (www.gov.bc.ca)

STEP 5 → Get together documents to start applying, including: Reference Letters from coaches, teachers etc. Essay's and resume's about your amazing accomplishments, awards, volunteer experiences and why you are deserving of a scholarship.

Check out a comprehensive list of External Scholarships below! Happy Applying! Go get that money



SEPTEMBER

Basant Motors Scholarship Deadline: September 28, 2024

15 Scholarships of \$2000 each for graduating students who have demonstrated good citizenship and service to the school and community.

www.basantmotors.com

[Scholarship | Basant Motors](#)

OCTOBER

Loran Scholars Foundation Scholarship Deadline: October 15, 2024 Apply directly

We look for those who are humble, inquisitive, and thoughtful; who shun the status quo and pursue their own unique paths; who bring others along, will act in the face of injustices, and are inspired to build a better world. Valued at up to \$100,000, the Loran Award includes study at one of our 25 partner universities in Canada, a living stipend, funding to access summer experiences in Canada and abroad, mentorship, and participation in a community of supporters and alumni working towards a better country and world. <https://loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar/>

University of Toronto Book Award Deadline: October 10, 2024

School Nomination Required

If you demonstrate superior academic performance, original and creative thought, and would like to be considered for this award (Students do **NOT** have to apply to U of T to be eligible). One student from Semiahmoo Secondary will receive this award, which is a book along with an opportunity to apply to the University of Toronto National Scholarship.

<https://future.utoronto.ca/national-scholarship/>

<https://future.utoronto.ca/national-scholarship/about/>

Students must be nominated by their high school to apply. Semiahmoo is allowed to sponsor only 1 student.

Please complete the initial intake form at the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/BJRrcyrWkZ>

As well, you must submit a **cover letter**, **resume** and **all required paperwork** for your specific scholarship application to Ms. Ellis in the careers office (Paperwork and form must be handed-in two weeks prior to deadline to qualify & to allow for Scholarship Committee time for selection).

Simon Fraser University Entrance Scholarships (from Oct. 1 – Dec. 15)

SFU Scholars Entrance Scholarships: SFU recognizes high school students who demonstrate excellence in both their academic and extracurricular activities. The SFU Undergraduate Scholars Entrance Scholarship (USES) Program is designed to attract and engage high school students who demonstrate potential to enrich the university community through ongoing academic and community contributions. Scholarships are available to domestic and international high school students admitted for the fall term to an undergraduate degree in any faculty.

Minimum Requirement: to be considered for the competition applicants must have an *admission evaluation* of 90% or 31 International Baccalaureate points**

https://www.sfu.ca/students/financialaid/entrance/HS_Scholarships.html

University of Toronto National Scholarships Deadline: October 17, 2024

There are 3,600 undergraduate admission scholarships for students beginning studies at U of T each year, covering tuition, incidental, and residence fees for four years of undergraduate study. In addition, there are scholarships that require separate applications. For more information and to download an application go to <https://future.utoronto.ca/national-scholarship/>

NOVEMBER

SFU Entrance Awards & Bursaries: Applications OPEN November 1, 2024

SFU offers several bursaries and awards to assist students for whom the cost of attending university would be a significant barrier to accepting their admission to Simon Fraser University.

To be eligible, applicants must have a demonstrated need. Regular secondary school applicants must have grades in the 80% range for the Faculty they have applied to (not rounded up) and IB diploma applicants must have the minimum IB diploma score required for admission. Only one application is required.

https://www.sfu.ca/students/financialaid/entrance/HS_Awards_Bursaries.html

TD Scholarship for Community Leadership Deadline: November 13, 2024

This scholarship recognizes students who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to community leadership. TD Scholarship for Community Leadership recipients receive up to \$70,000 for tuition and living expenses as well as opportunities for paid summer employment, peer networking and mentorship.

<https://www.td.com/ca/en/personalbanking/solutions/student-banking/community-leadership-scholarship-for-canadians/>

Beedie Luminaries Scholarship

Application Opens November 13– January 30, 2024

105 scholarships for BC students applying to BC public post-secondary institutions. Up to \$40,000 per student based on financial adversity, academic readiness, desire and potential for positive change. See website:

<https://beedioluminaries.ca>

This year they have added a **trades scholarship** for students attending BCIT in a trade in September 2025.

Lester B. Pearson International Scholarships at University of Toronto -

School Nomination Required

Deadline: School nomination by October 11, 2024

Student application November 8th

37 scholarships covering tuition, books, fees and residence at U of T for 4 years.

Must be an international student who plans to begin studies at University of Toronto after high school. Students must be nominated by their high school to apply. A special emphasis is placed on the impact the student has had on the life of their school and community, and their future potential to contribute positively to the global community.

Please complete the initial intake form at the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/BJRcyrWkZ>

As well, you must submit a **cover letter, resume** and **all required paperwork** for your specific scholarship application to Ms. Ellis in the careers office (Paperwork and form must be handed-in two weeks prior to deadline to qualify & to allow for Scholarship Committee time for selection).

[The Lester B. Pearson International Student Scholarships - Future Students. University of Toronto | University of Toronto \(utoronto.ca\)](https://utoronto.ca/utoronto)

University of Calgary

Nearly \$2.5 million in merit-based scholarships are available each year. For more information please visit website at

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/finances/awards>

House of Commons Page Program

Not a scholarship opportunity, but a unique work experience for graduates.

Application opens September 27 - November

The annual recruitment cycle is from October to December. The program is open to 40 Canadian citizens or permanent residents graduating from high school in June; have an overall average of at least 80%; be able to communicate fluently in both official languages (English & French) and be accepted to one of the universities in the **Ottawa** area.

<https://www.ourcommons.ca/about/pageprogram/working-e.html>

UBC – International Leader of Tomorrow Award Deadline: November 15, 2024

The International Leader of Tomorrow Award recognizes international undergraduate students at UBC who demonstrate superior academic achievement, leadership skills, involvement in student affairs and community service, recognized achievement in fields such as performing arts, sports, debating or creative writing or external academic competitions and examinations.

Applicants must have an “A” average; be an International student who is neither a Canadian citizen, nor permanent resident of Canada, and who will be studying in Canada on a student permit. Award is based on financial need.

Award **candidates must be nominated by their current high school**. Contact Ms.Ellis in the career office at least 2 weeks before deadline for application on website).

For more information please visit www.internationalscholars.ubc.ca

DECEMBER

UBC – Major Entrance Award

The Major Entrance Scholarships (MES) program offers the most prestigious awards available to entering students at UBC. These awards recognize students who excel across the board and who have demonstrated academic and leadership achievements in the arts, community, athletics and school. Students are no longer nominated for the award.

Students will be automatically considered for a Major Entrance Scholarship if they apply to UBC through the online application by December 1. This is the only way to apply for a Major Entrance Scholarship. For more information please visit www.you.ubc.ca/

Click on Financial Planning (tab), click on scholarships for Canadian students, scholarships for International students. - Presidential Scholars Awards

- Awards for Indigenous Students

UBC- Centennial Scholars Entrance Award (up to \$80,000) for students demonstrating financial need Deadline: December 1

www.you.ubc.ca/centennialsscholars

Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Deadline: December 1

For applicants who demonstrate the highest ideals and qualities of citizenship, demonstrate courage in overcoming obstacles, involvement in humanitarian service while in pursuit of excellence in academics and participation in sports, fitness and community service. The value of the award is up to \$7,000 per year for a maximum of four years. For more information or to download an application form, please visit the program's website: <https://terryfoxawards.ca/>

Horatio Alger Association of Canada Scholarship Application opens in December

This \$5000 scholarship for Canadian citizens seeks to assist students who have demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, and financial need. Website:

<https://www.horatioalger.ca/en/scholarships>