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Post-secondary Education Financial Aid for Newcomer Students in Canada

Scholarships are non-repayable and awarded based on academic achievement or in other achievements like leadership, community involvement, sports, art and more.

Bursaries or Awards are non-repayable and allocated based on financial need.

Grants are non-repayable funds based on the need for people in a certain field or for project opportunities.

Student Loans are sum of money borrowed to finance your post-secondary education - are repayable	
Name of Financial Aid	Eligibility
RISE (The Refugee & Immigrant Student Education) Awards, Beedie Luminaries https://beedieluminaries.ca/rise-program/	 Refugee who was granted permanent residency or a protected person, residing full-time in BC for the previous 6 consecutive months. Born between the years of 1988 and 2004. Have completed secondary school (or equivalent).
ISSofBC Bursary Awards https://issbc.org/issofbc-bursary-awards-2024	 Current or former ISSofBC client, student, or volunteer within three years of the application deadline. Resident of British Columbia (holds Permanent Resident status) Enrolled to study in post-secondary education in British Columbia.
Simon Fraser University (SFU) SFSS & WUSC Undergraduate Award for Refugee Students https://www.sfu.ca/refugeeprograms/sfss-wusc-refugee-award.html	 Protected Convention Refugee who has been granted permanent residency or officially recognized refugee claimant or asylum seeker Enrolled in undergraduate program at SFU Enrolled in a minimum of 9 units of standard graded courses Be in good academic standing and have a minimum CGPA of 2 Have demonstrated community service within an organization of benefit to the Refugee community

Other SFU Financial Aid and Awards	Please visit the website for details
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https://www.sfu.ca/students/financialaid/undergrad.html	
MOSAIC Awards and Scholarships	Please visit the website for details
https://mosaicbc.org/about/awards-and-scholarships/	
BC Scholarships	Please visit the website for details
https://bcscholarships.ca/	
https://www.bchousing.org/about/CSR/scholarships-grants	 Ages of 17 -64 Resident in a household directly receiving subsidy from BC Housing or receiving rental assistance through the Rental Assistance Program (RAP) at the start of courses. Registered at a recognized B.C. post-secondary on a full- or part-time basis
	in September of the application year
Douglas College Awards, Scholarships and Bursaries	Please see website for details
https://www.douglascollege.ca/current-students/advising-	
services/financial-planning/financial-aid/awards-bursaries	
Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) - Student Awards and Financial Assistance	Please see website for details
https://www.kpu.ca/awards/awards-guide	
Student Loans	
https://studentaidbc.ca/	 Canadian citizen, a permanent resident or have protected person status have a valid Canadian social insurance number be a resident of British Columbia be enrolled in an eligible program of study at an eligible post-secondary institution be able to demonstrate financial need make academic progress and achieve satisfactory scholastic standing in each period of post-secondary study
National Student Loan Service Centre, Government of Canada	Please see website for details
https://www.csnpe-nslsc.canada.ca/en/home	

This information is provided to newcomer and ELL families seeking settlement support services from the Surrey Schools Welcome Centre. Information contained in this resource was collected from many sources and was current at the time of publication. This resource should not be considered a comprehensive listing of all resources and services available to newcomers. For $additional\ resources\ and\ updated\ information,\ please\ see\ relevant\ websites\ and/or\ refer\ to\ information\ on\ Canada's\ settlement\ program\ and\ services\ here:$ www.Canada.ca/newcomerservices

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