



Full-Time Early Childhood Education Bursaries

Application Instructions, Deadlines & Selection Criteria

Bursary Information

Students pursuing full-time studies in Early Childhood Education are eligible to apply for a bursary of \$2,000 per term for up to 4 terms to assist with the cost of their studies. Applications for full-time bursaries are evaluated by a committee once each year. Three bursaries are available each year.

Application Requirements

All applicants are required to provide the following information with their bursary application. Incomplete applications will not be considered further and will be returned to the applicant.

- a completed application form;
- proof of Canadian citizenship (birth certificate) or permanent resident status (PR card);
- proof of Yukon residency for the last 3 out of 5 consecutive years, or proof of receipt of a Yukon Grant through the Yukon Department of Education. If necessary, applicants can obtain a verification of residency letter from Yukon Insured Health Services to demonstrate they meet this residency requirement;
- a current resume detailing personal, employment, education and volunteer information and information about your ties to your community;
- a copy of their letter of acceptance into an Early Childhood Education program at a recognized, accredited post-secondary institution in Canada;
- a written personal statement that includes:
 - why you wish to pursue Early Childhood Education studies;
 - information about the Early Childhood Education program you have been accepted into and why you chose that specific program;
 - how your studies will benefit you and your community;
 - what you feel you bring to the field of Early Childhood Education; and
 - what you intend to do after you complete your studies, including where you

- intend to seek employment in the Early Childhood Education field; and
- two completed reference documents that speak to your suitability to work in Early Childhood Education environments. Your references must submit these documents directly to the Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) – not to you – using one of the methods on the reference form before your application will be considered complete.

Students taking courses through Yukon University in Whitehorse must apply for financial support from the University before applying for a bursary under this program. Students must note in their application documents any funding they will be receiving from Yukon University to support their Early Childhood studies. Students in rural Yukon communities are not required to apply for financial support from Yukon University before applying for this bursary; however, any funding that is being received from the University must be disclosed.

Applicants who submit inaccurate information as part of their application package will have to repay any funding that has been granted and will not have access to further funding under this program.

Application Deadlines

The application deadline for full-time applicants is June 30th of each year. If that date falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the deadline is extended until the end of the next business day.

Selection Criteria

Complete applications for full-time bursaries will be forwarded to a bursary selection committee which will score applications against criteria based on the information provided in the application package. All applicants will be notified in writing whether their application has been approved.