

Scholarships and Bursaries



Ancaster High School

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What is the Difference?

- Scholarships
 - Marks are important
 - Something you achieve by having a particular average or leadership or volunteer experience
- Bursary
 - Financial need is important
 - It is more like a “gift” for a need

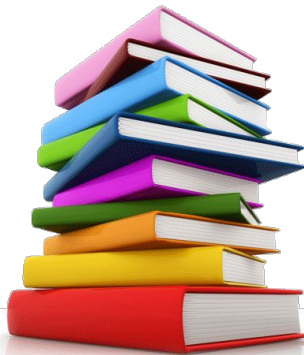


How Much Will School Cost?

- Colleges/Universities charge:
 - base tuition
 - supplementary fees (*health services, etc.*)
 - student union fees (*bus pass, dental, etc.*)
 - “other” fees (*administrative fee, building fee, etc.*)
- Students can opt out of some fees
- Varies between institutions & areas of study



Don't forget...extra!



Costs are variable!

First Year Tuition	Business	Arts & Science
McMaster University	\$10,700.00	\$7,450.00
Queen's University	\$18,000.00	\$7,500.00

First Year Tuition	Business	Aviation Engineering Technology
Mohawk College	\$4000	\$5000



Types of Scholarships and Bursaries

- Automatic vs. application required
- School nomination vs. direct applications
- Renewable vs. non-renewable
- School based vs. community based
- Merit based vs. financial needs based
- Contests



Scholarships Based on Merit Requiring an Application

These scholarships are the focus of this seminar because they require time, planning, and other people



Step 1

- Build an academic and personal record
 - This process has already begun and should not stop until you are finished with college/university
 - Grades are important in high school, college, and university
 - Sustained community involvement plays a key role in scholarships
 - Leadership may help you out-compete other more “academic” candidates



Step 2

- Set timelines and due dates
 - Start researching NOW and don't stop. New opportunities may be just around the corner or they may be just about to expire
 - Mark your calendar WHEN applications are DUE and build in extra time.
 - Talk to potential reference letter writers and give them LOTS of TIME to write a letter (two weeks)



Step 3

- Complete applications on time - apply early
- Do EXACTLY what the scholarship requires, not more or less!
- Have a friend/adult PROOF READ
- Allow time for delivery (if it is mailed)
- Don't allow poor planning to become someone else's emergency!



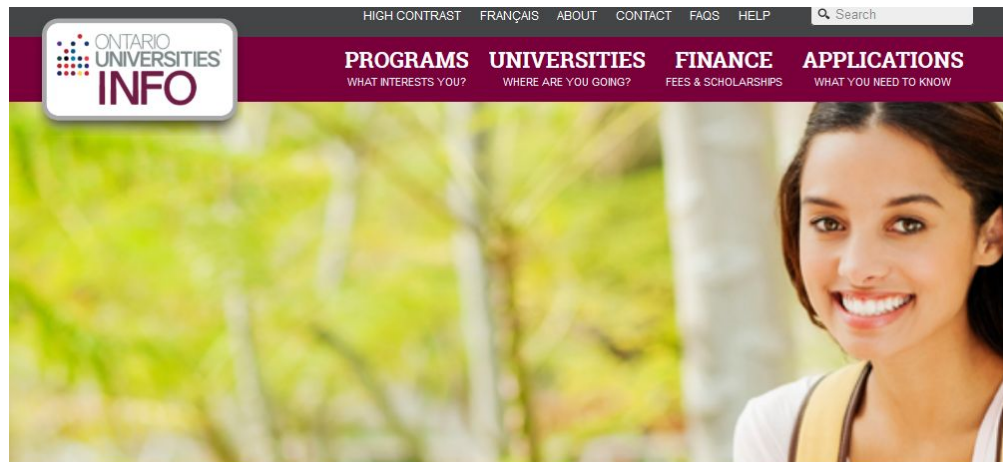
Step 4

- Be appreciative
- Say thanks to those who were a part of your application... even if you don't get selected



How to Find University Scholarships

<http://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/scholarships>



Scholarships

These scholarships are primarily available to high school students from Ontario, Canada, applying to first-year university.

Most universities offer scholarships to applicants from outside Ontario and from outside Canada, as well as upper-year and mature students, but these scholarships are not listed on OUInfo. Contact the universities directly for further information.

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Scholarship Information

Scholarship Presentation

[Scholarship Summary – Big 6 for 2019-2020 \(pdf\)](#)

[Applying for the Loran Scholars Foundation Award 2019-2020 \(pdf\)](#)

[ENGLISH-LORAN-APPLICATION-SAMPLE-2018 \(pdf\)](#)

[Queens Chancellor's Application for Selection Committee 2019-2020 \(pdf\)](#)

Scholarships by month : plan your for scholarship applications

Searching for Scholarship Opportunities

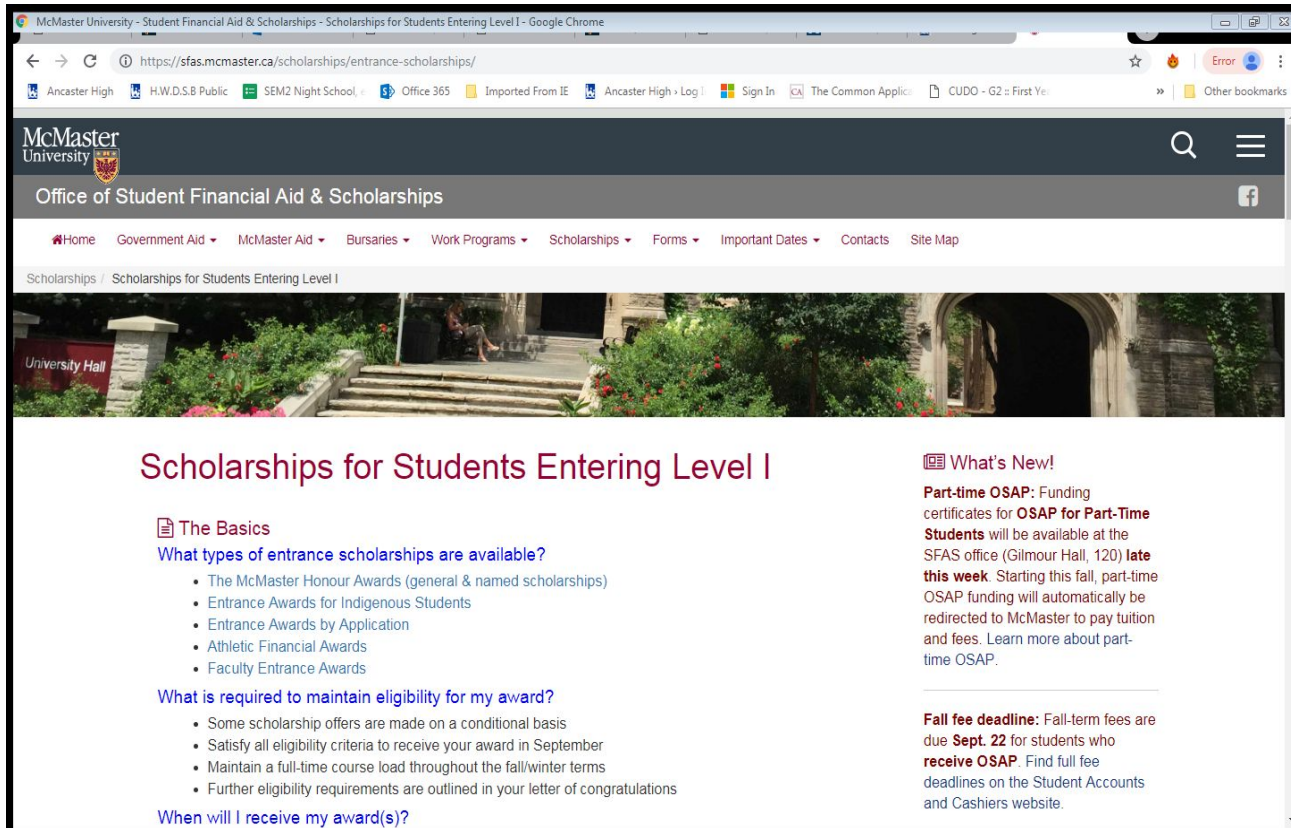
[Hamilton Wentworth District School Board](#) lists awards and scholarships that students may apply for or be nominated for.



www.hwdsb.on.ca/ancasterhigh/events



Universities' Financial Aid/Scholarship Page



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the McMaster University website. The page title is "Scholarships for Students Entering Level I". The navigation menu includes "Home", "Government Aid", "McMaster Aid", "Bursaries", "Work Programs", "Scholarships", "Forms", "Important Dates", "Contacts", and "Site Map". The main content area features a large image of University Hall and a heading "Scholarships for Students Entering Level I". Below this, there are sections for "The Basics" and "What's New!".

Scholarships for Students Entering Level I

The Basics

What types of entrance scholarships are available?

- The McMaster Honour Awards (general & named scholarships)
- Entrance Awards for Indigenous Students
- Entrance Awards by Application
- Athletic Financial Awards
- Faculty Entrance Awards

What is required to maintain eligibility for my award?

- Some scholarship offers are made on a conditional basis
- Satisfy all eligibility criteria to receive your award in September
- Maintain a full-time course load throughout the fall/winter terms
- Further eligibility requirements are outlined in your letter of congratulations

When will I receive my award(s)?

What's New!

Part-time OSAP: Funding certificates for **OSAP for Part-Time Students** will be available at the SFAS office (Gilmour Hall, 120) **late this week**. Starting this fall, part-time OSAP funding will automatically be redirected to McMaster to pay tuition and fees. Learn more about part-time OSAP.

Fall fee deadline: Fall-term fees are due **Sept. 22** for students who **receive OSAP**. Find full fee deadlines on the Student Accounts and Cashiers website.



How to Find Community-Based Scholarships

- Websites designed for scholarship searches:

Scholarships Canada

<http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/>

Yconic

<https://yconic.com/>



How to Find Community-Based Scholarships

- Ask your parents/guardians
 - Your parent/guardian's employer may offer scholarships
 - Service groups or community organizations may have scholarships for children of members



School Sponsorship

- Most of the large scholarship funds ask schools to choose a school-sponsored applicant
- Deadlines to seek school sponsorship are weeks before the actual scholarship deadline
- All decisions are made by a committee



Competitive Scholarships

- Loran Scholarship
 - *three school sponsored, unlimited direct pool*
- University of Toronto National Scholarship
 - *one school sponsored, unlimited direct pool*
- TD Scholarship for Community Leader
 - *unlimited direct pool*
- Queens' Chancellor's Scholarship
 - *two school sponsored (QuARMS is now separate)*
- Western University National Scholarship
 - *four school sponsored*
- Schulich Leaders Scholarships (STEM)
 - *one school sponsored*



October 3 at 3:00 p.m.

Loran Award and **University of Toronto Book Award** Applications are Due to Mr. Nicholson on October 3 at 3:00 p.m.

No late submissions, no electronic submissions, hard copies only

Loran applications are online (loranscholar.ca) and printable for submission to Mr. Nicholson

U of T application template must be downloaded from our website, completed, printed, and submitted on hard copy



Loran

1. Visit loranscholar.ca and click “Apply Now”
2. Begin online application process. Don’t worry, your work is saved and you can log in and out as needed
3. Click “**Sponsored by (or seeking sponsorship from) my school**”
4. If you are one of the three school-sponsored applicants, the school will verify you via e-mail (use only Mr. Nicholson’s e-mail address: snichols@hwdsb.on.ca)
5. If you are not one of the school-sponsored applicants, the school will not approve you as such, and you will be automatically entered as a Direct Pool applicant
6. On the last step of your application, print a .pdf of your application
7. Obtain the required reference, but in the form of a hard copy letter. **NOTE: Loran will send your reference an e-mail with instructions on how to complete the reference electronically. The scholarship committee at Ancaster High will not have access to this, so we require a hard-copy reference letter to determine school sponsorship.**
8. Submit both the printed .pdf of your application package and the hard copy reference letter to Mr. Nicholson by October 3, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. to compete for one of the three school sponsorships. No extensions, no electronic submissions.
9. Return to your application and click “submit” to finalize your application
10. You will be notified on the status of your bid to become a school sponsored applicant within one week of submitting your application to Mr. Nicholson for consideration



The Reference Letter

- Make sure the person writing the letter knows the criteria (provide the criteria page for them)
- Match the criteria to the letter writer
 - Subject teacher? Coach? Employer?
- Provide the writer with:
 - a list of your accomplishments
 - a copy of the scholarship application
 - an idea of what you expect in that letter
 - a copy of your resume



Scholarship Tips

- Please make sure you fit the criteria before applying (*i.e. superior grades*)
- Put in the time!
 - Hourly wage vs scholarship potential
 - How many hours of working at your job would it take to earn the money offered in the scholarship?



More Scholarship Tips

- Read instructions carefully
- Be EXACT in the format, quantity of words, presentation of the application
 - extra does not mean better
 - “inch wide, mile deep”
- Make a GREAT impression



Who Can Help?

- Your guidance counsellor
- Other teachers, coaches, group leaders
- Friends, family



Who Can Help?

- Past scholarship winners
- Scholarship forums
- People in the community (especially those involved with community events/groups)



Questions?

*Remember to check the
Ancaster High School Student Services
Website for a copy of this presentation, the
“Big 6 Scholarships” summary, and some of the
individual applications*

