How to Pay for School...

Not Just Piling up Debt!



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TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE TO REDUCE DEBT

SCHOLARSHIPS – Usually based on academic merit, such as "entrance scholarship" which is based on the grade average from high school.

BURSARIES/GRANTS – Typically an award for a student with financial need; some may also have academic requirements.

AWARDS – Anything that doesn't fit in the above categories, may include contest-style awards or prizes from corporate sponsors.

LOANS – These make up a significant amount of student aid, typically provided by a bank, or the government (e.g. OSAP).



THE FREE STUFF: SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & BURSARIES



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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM INSTITUTIONS

Colleges & Universities have money for you:

- Some college/university scholarships are **automatically** offered to you; some require you to fill out an **application**.
- Many scholarships & awards may be **renewable** (automatically or by application).
- We post everything on our websites or on your student portal



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Ontario's colleges are at the forefront of technology, innovation and workforce development, preparing students for success in the cutting-edge careers of tomorrow.

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Paying for College: Tuition and Financial Assistance

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A college education in Ontario is one of the most cost-effective means of acquiring the skills and knowledge you need to have a prosperous and rewarding career. As you start out on your chosen career path, it's important to have a realistic set of expectations regarding the expenses associated with attending college.

Although college tuition costs are typically lower than university costs, there are variations from college to college, from program to program and between the different types of college programs. In addition to your tuition fees, you will also need to budget for books, supplies, housing and other related living expenses.

You may be able to supplement your own income and savings with scholarships, bursaries or loans. It pays to do some research into what types of financial assistance you may qualify for.

College Tuition Fees in Ontario Financial Assistance – Scholarships, Bursaries, Grants and Loans

Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

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Scholarships

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

Most universities also offer scholarships to applicants from outside Ontario and Canada, and upper-year and mature students. <u>Contact the universities directly</u> for more information about these scholarships, as they are not listed on OUInfo.

Find a Scholarship

Keyword

Show Advanced Search Options

University

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM INSTITUTIONS

Our websites list scholarships & awards for:

- Academic achievement
- Awards by program
- Awards by location
- Renewable awards

College-Wide Awards	Divisional Awards	External Awards	
A selection of college-wide awards, scholarships and bursaries, not limited to students of any particular division.	There are scholarships, awards and bursaries available based on the specific academic division of study.	Scholarships, bursaries, and awards offered by other organizations outside of George Brown.	
Alumni Awards	International Student Awards	Student Association Award	
Awards available to previous George Brown graduates, who have returned to the college for another program and are also current students.	A range of awards, scholarships and bursaries are available for international students.	A number of scholarships and awards are offered by the Student Association of George Brown College.	
Athletics Awards	Michael Cooke Student	Student Access Guarantee	
These awards and scholarships are	Leadership Awards	The Student Access Guarantee is a	
available to full-time students who	This award recognizes students who have demonstrated significant	bursary available to George Brown	
are actively involved in athletics at George Brown.	leadership and commitment to their community.	students as part of Ontario's Student Access Guarantee.	

• And links to external awards and OSAP



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EXAMPLES OF SECTOR-WIDE AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Association of Chinese Canadian Entrepreneurs Scholarship
- Award for Community Service
- Children's Aid Foundation Scholarship
- Coca-Cola First Generation Scholarship (In Memory of Nicola Kettlitz)
- Dual Credit Scholarship
- Indigenous Student Bursary
- Michael "Pinball" Clemons Foundation Annual Student Award



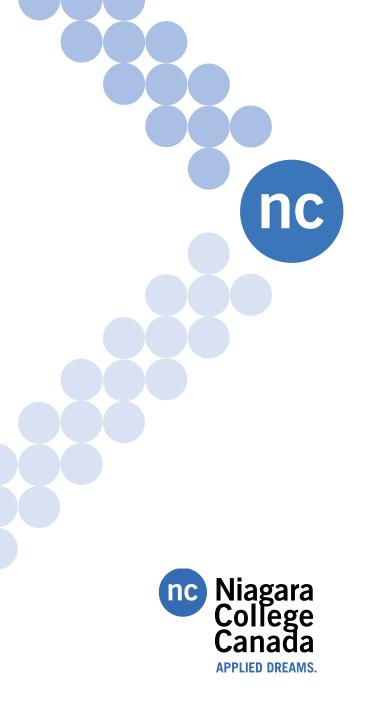
EXAMPLES OF DIVISIONAL AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Centre for Preparatory and Liberal Studied Scholarship
- CIBC Financial Services Scholarship
- dentalcorp Scholarship in Dental Excellence
- Accademia Italiana Della Cucina, Toronto Delegation, Scholarship
- University Women's Club (Toronto) Heritage Fund Scholarship
- Umbra Award for Design Excellence



EXAMPLES OF EXTERNAL AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Black Foundation of Community Networks Awards
- Canadian Forces Personnel Assistance Fund
- Federation of Portuguese Canadian and Professionals Scholarship
- Manulife Life Lessons Scholarship
- RBC Royal Bank Scholarship Awards
- Soroptimist Live Your Dream Award
- Start Proud Student Leadership Scholarship



YOU CAN SEARCH UNIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS

- opseu.org Ontario Public Service Employees Union
 - nupge.ca National Union of Public & General Employees
 - ufcw.ca United Food & Commercial Workers Union
- psacunion.ca Public Service Alliance of Canada Union
 - iupat.ca International Union of Painters & Allied Trades
 - ceiu-seic.ca Canada Employment & Immigration Union

And there are more out there... just take the time to search!



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ASSOCIATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS

disabilityawards.ca Disability Awards neads.ca National Educational Association of Disabled Students autismontario.com Autism Ontario Idao.ca Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario caddac.ca Centre for ADHD Awareness, Canada

Each college or university may also have resources and/or financial aid for students who are registered.



MANY COMPANIES/CORPORATIONS ALSO HAVE SCHOLARSHIPS



- Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Planning to attend a publicly-funded university or college in Canada for a full-time diploma or degree
- Minimum average of 70% and demonstrated volunteer activities
- Apply before deadline: Early May (closed for 2020)



MANY COMPANIES/CORPORATIONS ALSO HAVE SCHOLARSHIPS



- Eligible to students in Canada, USA & Puerto Rico
- GPA over 2.5 (or equivalent)
- Participates in <u>extracurricular activities</u>
- Prior year awards have ranged from \$1000 to \$50,000.
- Applications are open from October to December.



THERE ARE ALSO SOME FUN WAYS TO WIN MONEY FOR SCHOOL!

SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST





2019 Grand Prize Winners each won **\$10,000**!

This year due to COVID-19, students could submit their "Duck[®] brand Tape Creation" photos from home.



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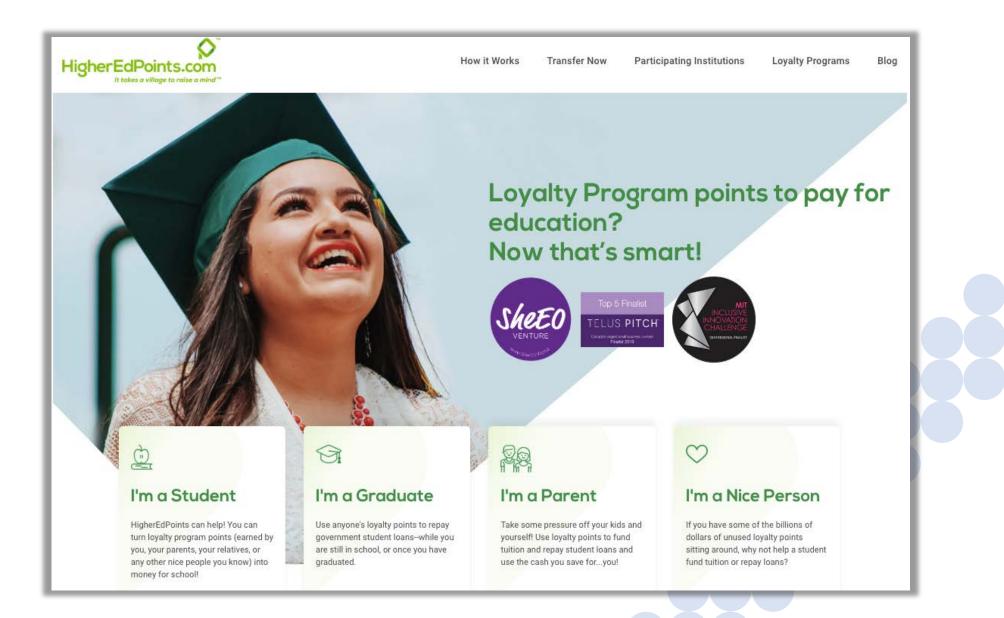


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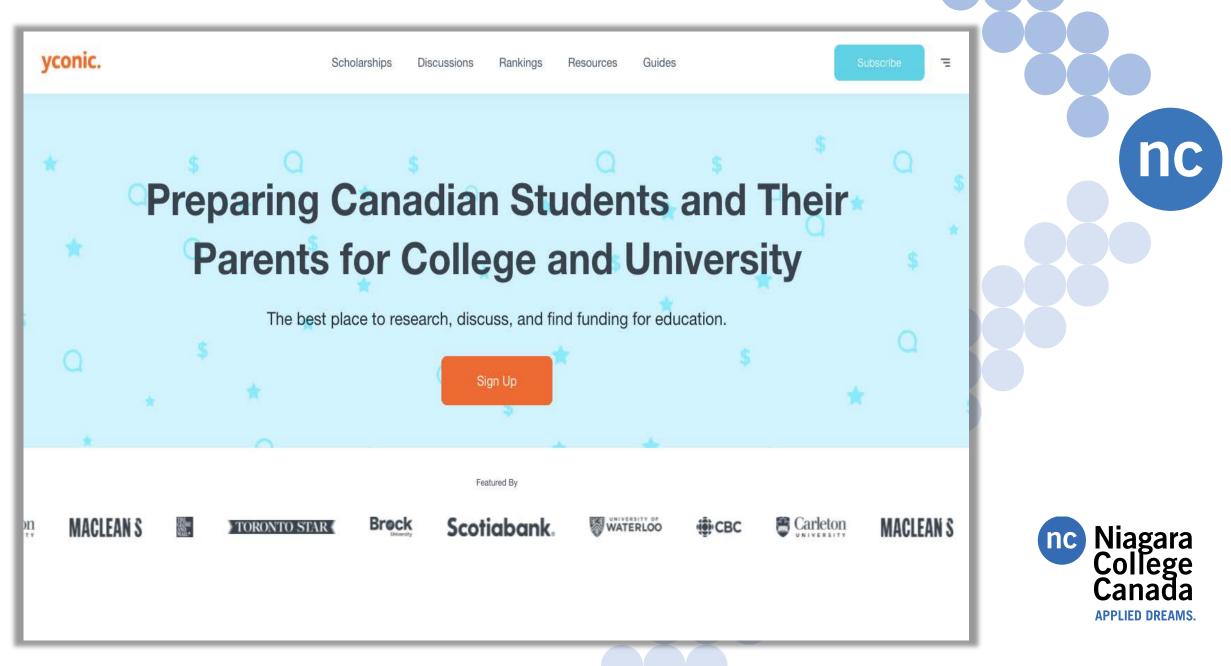
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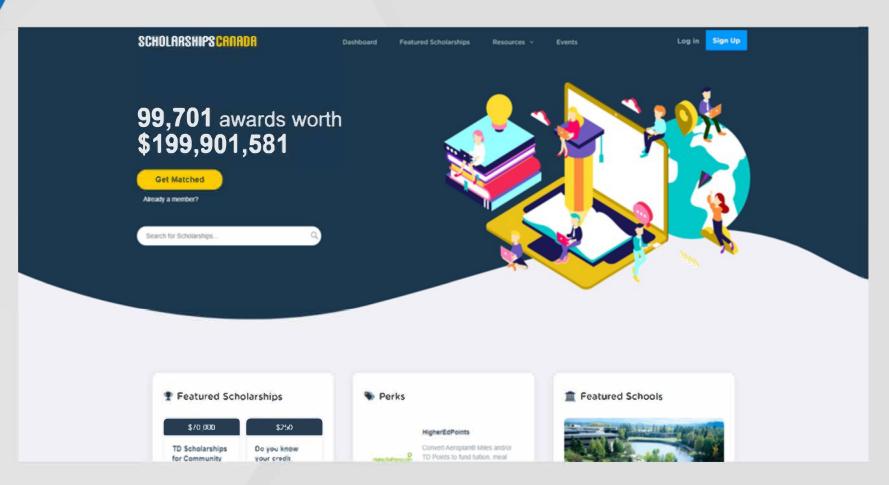


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YOU CAN ALSO USE AWARD & SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH WEBSITES



PAYING FOR SCHOOL



OSAP & BANKS (GRANTS, LOANS & LINES OF CREDIT)



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Available to Ontario residents* of any age who are:

- Canadian citizens
- permanent residents

Search for OSAP approved schools

You can use OSAP to go to a private or public college or university anywhere in the world, as long as it's been approved.

Search for the name of your school

- protected persons (under the Immigration & Refugee Protection Act)
- planning to attend an 'approved' private or public college or university anywhere in the world



HOW OSAP IS CALCULATED:

EDUCATION COSTS

Education Costs: tuition, compulsory fees, books, supplies and equipment

Living Expenses: housing, food, childcare transportation



FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Student Income: what you earn before and during the school year (\$3,600)

Parental/Spousal Income Student/Spousal Assets FINANCIAL NEED

Your financial need is then used to calculate the amount of money available to you through OSAP grants, bursaries and loans



WHAT IF YOU'RE TAKING A 'HIGH-COST' PROGRAM?

If OSAP doesn't cover all the expenses related to

- your program, and you still require additional
- financial assistance, public colleges and universities
- in Ontario are required to provide financial help

with the Student Access Guarantee.

Student Access Guarantee

Student and/or Parental Contributions

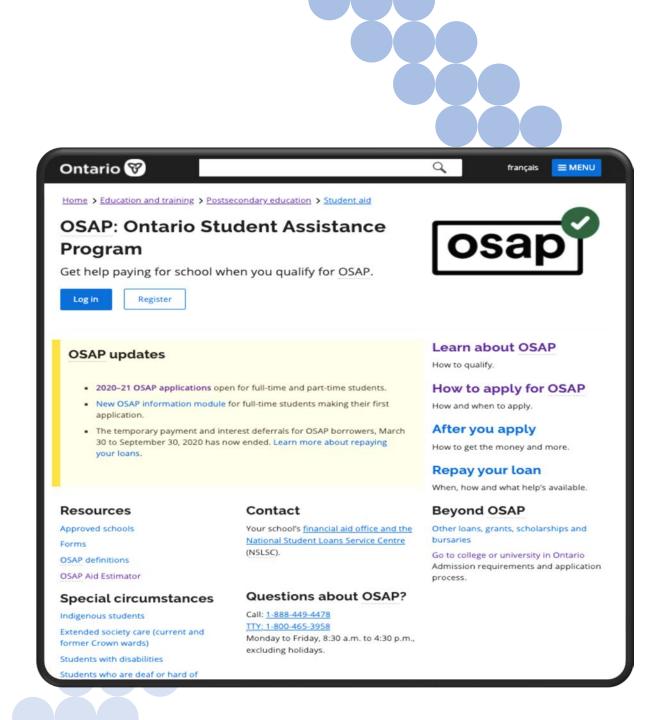


STEP 1:

Go to www.osap.ca

If this is your first time applying to OSAP, then you need to **REGISTER** and complete your personal profile.

You can do this part anytime.



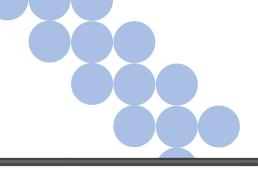
You can also **link** your OSAP account to your college and university applications.

Select each option and add your date of birth and your OCAS / OUAC account numbers.

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STEP 2:

First-time users will also have to complete the new OSAP information module before they can proceed to the application portion.



OSAP information module

If you're a **full-time student** making your first <u>OSAP application for the **2020-21** school year</u>, you'll need to complete a short information session presented just before you start your application.

The session will help you understand:

- how OSAP works
- · your roles and responsibilities if you become an OSAP recipient
- basic financial information to support you through your postsecondary education (for example, creating a budget, understanding credit and debt)

How the module works

The module contains short, self-study sections with information you must read before you start your OSAP application. At the end of each section, you will be asked to answer a question about what you've just read.

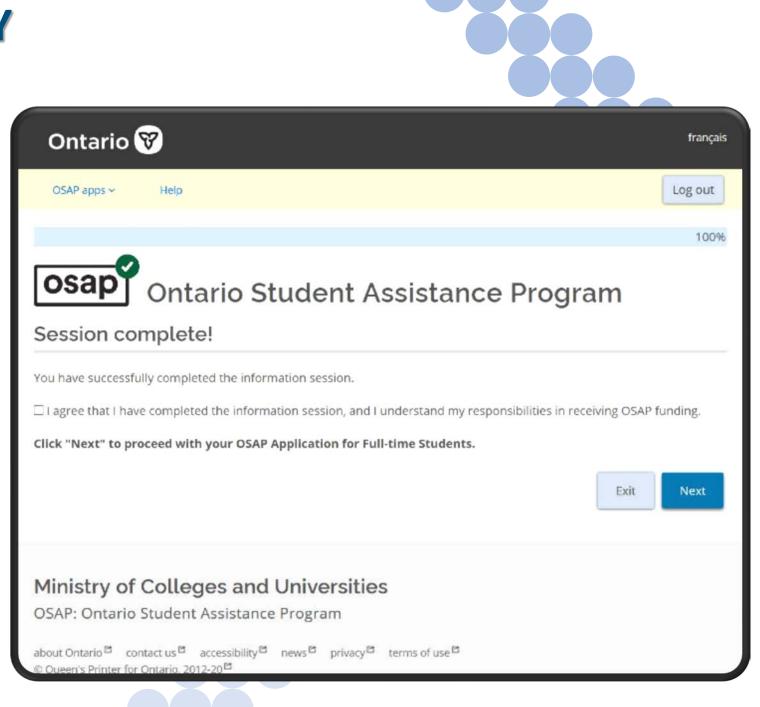
Correct answers let you move to the next section of the module. When you've finished the information module, your OSAP application will open.

You can log in and out of the module at any time, and your progress will be saved.

If you choose to complete the module in one sitting, it will take you approximately 15 minutes.

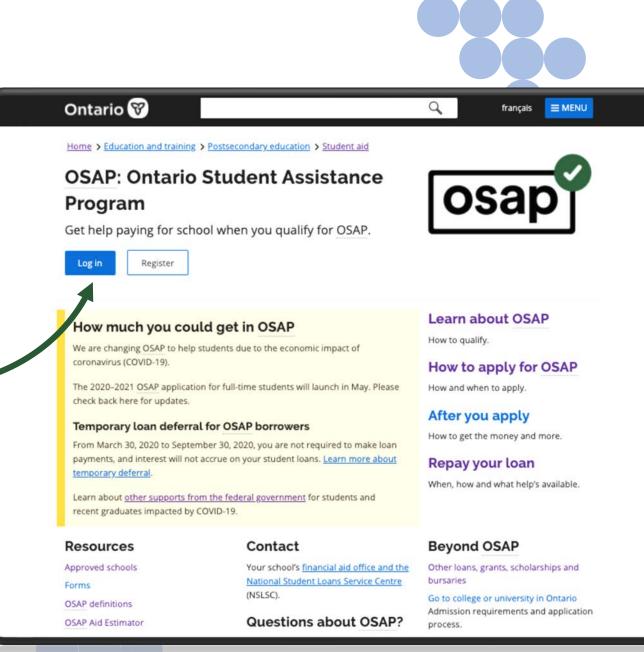
Only full-time students making their first <u>OSAP application for the 2020-21 school year</u>, need to complete this module. If you choose to reapply to OSAP for the 2020-21 school year, you will not need to complete this module again.

Once you complete all sections, you will receive this **Session Complete** message, then you can proceed to start your OSAP application.



STEP 3:

When the OSAP application cycle opens for the 2021/22 academic year (sometime in May), you will then be able to **LOGIN** and start your application.





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Full-time application

Start a new application

There are just 4 steps to the application! It will take you about 15 minutes to complete.

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School & program	About you
Tell us what school you're	Tell us if you're single or
going to and what program	married and where you live.
you're taking. More info	You'll need to share personal
	and financial information.
	More info



About your family

You might need to share information about your parents, spouse or children. More info



Submit Review your application, submit it and track the status. More info

Ready to apply?

When do your classes start?



You're applying for the 2019-20 academic year. The online application will be available in Spring 2019.

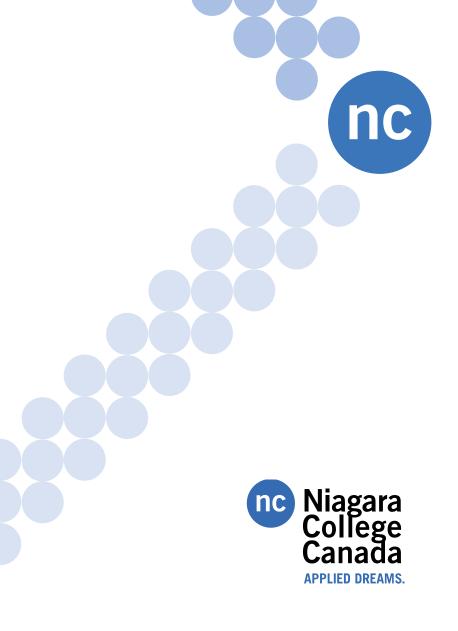
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Log out

INFORMATION ABOUT WHICH PARENT(S) NEEDS TO BE ADDED

If a student's parents are:

- married, remarried, or in a common-law relationship, both parents' information is required and considered
- divorced, separated, widowed or single, the student must provide details for the <u>parent they live with</u> (or most currently lived with) who holds primary custody of the student. If time is spent equally with both parents, the student could identify <u>either parent</u> in his/her OSAP application as holding primary custody.
- remarried or is in a common- law relationship, the student <u>must also record this individual's (i.e., step-</u> parent) information and income.



BANK LOANS AND LINES OF CREDIT

In addition to applying for government loans

- and grants, you should also explore the
- different types of student loans and student
- lines of credit options available at most major
- **Canadian Financial Institutions.**



TALK TO YOUR BANK MANAGER OR FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR OPTIONS

BMO (A) Bank of Montreal

Student Line of Credit >

Borrow what you need when you need it to cover costs like tuition, books, residence and meal plans.

The details:

- ✓ Borrow up to \$45,000¹ over 4 years
- Variable interest rate

Professional Student Line of Credit >

Complete your post-graduate degree (e.g. law, pharmacy, MBA) with the help of flexible financing and customized credit limits.

The details:

- Borrow up to \$80,000 \$110,0001 depending on your program
- Low interest rate based on BMO's
 Prime Rate plus 1% while you're in school²

Medical or Dental Student Line of Credit >

Designed with medical and dental programs in mind, these lines of credit feature enhanced credit limits.

The details:

- Borrow up to \$325,000¹ depending on your program
- Low interest rate based on BMO's
 Prime Rate minus 0.25% while you're in school²

A student line of credit gives you a set amount of funds that you can borrow as needed and **you're only charged interest on what you borrow**.

For example, if you have a \$15,000 line of credit and only borrow \$5,000, you are only charged interest on the \$5,000.

TALK TO YOUR BANK MANAGER OR FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR OPTIONS

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A Guide to Student Loans									
The average cost of post-secondary education in Canada can top \$80,000, making financing a reality for most students. If you're unsure of where to start use this guide to student loans and learn how to apply for federal, provincial and private loans.									
The federal government has two programs which can help you fund your education. You can apply for school loans from the Canada Student Loan Program (CSLP) or grants from the Canada Student Grants Program (CSGP). Visit www.canlearn.ca to learn more and see how you can apply.									
• Canada Student Loan Program: Whether you're a full- or part-time student, you can apply for a loan through this program. If your application meets the established requirements for financial need, you could be eligible to receive up to 60 percent of the cost of your tuition in federal loans. There is also a maximum amount you can receive, and that is subject to change, so consult the latest literature to review this cap. When you graduate, you will owe the loan amount plus interest back to the government.									
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www.canlearn.ca

is a government website that has good information about getting money for college or university

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> > **APPLIED DREAMS.**

MORE USEFUL INFORMATION AT WWW.CANLEARN.CA

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Plan for an education, save, budget and explore student aid and career options.



Services and information

Student aid

Canada student loans, grants, scholarships and other aid.

Benefits

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Budget for your education

Budgeting for student life, saving early and paying off student debt.

Support for apprentices

Earn while you learn as an apprentice in the skilled trades.

Education requirements by career

Explore wages, outlooks, and education you need for top occupations.

Most requested

- <u>Contact National Student Loans</u>
 <u>Service Centre</u>
- <u>Repayment assistance</u>

 <u>Apply for Canada Student Grants</u> and Loans

- <u>Canada Apprentice Loan</u>
- <u>Credential recognition for new</u>
 <u>Canadians</u>



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MORE USEFUL INFORMATION AT WWW.CANLEARN.CA

1. What student grants and loans offer

2. Apply with your province or territory

More information

Grants and loans for full-time and part-time students

The Government of Canada offers student grants and loans to full-time and part-time students. Grants and loans help students pay for their post-secondary education.

- apply for grants and loans in one application, directly with your province of residence
- you don't need to repay grants you receive
- you need to repay loans after finishing school, with interest
- you may be eligible for more than 1 type of grant when you apply with your province, they will assess your eligibility for all available grants

How much can you get

The amount you can receive depends on several factors, including:

- your province or territory of residence
- your family income
- if you have dependents
- your tuition fees and living expenses
- if you have a disability

The amount you can receive in grants and loans is calculated when you apply with your province or territory.

To find out if you can receive Canada Student Grants or Loans, use the federal student aid estimator. Note that this estimator doesn't take into account the provincial and territorial student grants and loans.

Federal student aid estimator



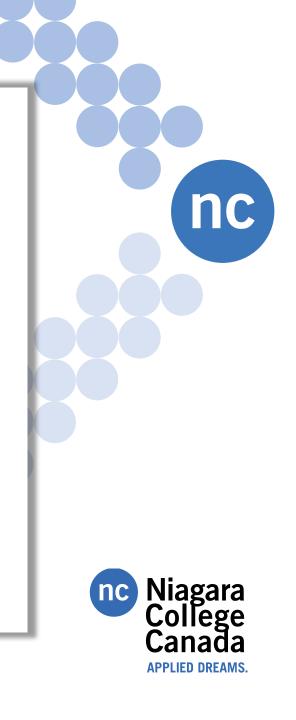


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