

REGISTERED NURSES FOUNDATION OF B.C.

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2009 BURSARY INFORMATION

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ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be residents of British Columbia.

Applicants must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents.

Applicants must meet the specific eligibility requirements listed under each category.

Applicants must have enrolled for the Fall Term 2009.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications must be mailed, faxed or emailed **AND** date stamped no later than September 18, 2009.

APPLICATION FEE

You must include an application fee of \$25. Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Cheques should be made payable to RNFBC.

APPLICATION FORM AND DOCUMENTATION

In 2008, 25% of applicants were rejected because they failed to provide all the required documentation. To be considered for bursary you must:

1. Complete either the 2009 Application Form for Students/Undergraduates or the 2009 Application Form for RNs. *(Do not use application forms from previous years).*
2. Provide proof of BC residency, even if you are studying outside BC. A copy of a driver's license or a utility bill satisfies this requirement.
3. Include a statement of your career goals.
4. Include proof of any additional requirements listed under specific bursaries.

SELECTION OF WINNERS

Winners are selected randomly from the pool of eligible applicants for each bursary. If you are selected, you will be notified in December by email. Your name and the name of your school of nursing will be announced in RNFBC's newsletter and on its website. Winners are expected to send a thank you letter to the bursary donors. **Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified.**

DROPPING OUT OF YOUR PROGRAM

The bursary is awarded to applicants are enrolled in their program at the start of the September term. If you drop out of the program without completing the term, you are no longer eligible to receive a bursary and you should advise RNFBC in writing. If you receive a bursary cheque after you have dropped out of your program, it is expected that the bursary monies will be returned to RNFBC.

PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

RNFBC has a privacy policy which protects the privacy of bursary applicants. A full copy of RNFBC's privacy policy may be found at www.rnfbc.ca/publications.htm.

BURSARIES FOR STUDENT/UNDERGRADUATE NURSES

If you are enrolled in a program preparatory to nurse registration, you are automatically eligible for the following bursaries:

- Clarice Lee, Kathleen Ure & Wesley Bell Memorial Bursary
- Dorothy Kergin Bursary
- Frederick & Elizabeth Willett Bursary
- Kenneth Clark & Ellen Woolfitt Bursary
- Mary Sutherland Bursary
- RNABC Nursing Education Bursary
- Sinn-Archibald Memorial Bursary
- Yvonne Andrews Memorial Bursary

In addition to your completed application form, proof of BC residency and your statement of career goals, your application must include:

- A letter of acceptance for a basic nursing education program preparatory to nurse registration or Registered Nurse Re-Entry Program.

THE FOLLOWING BURSARIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT/UNDERGRADUATE NURSES BUT HAVE SPECIFIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS. PLEASE SUBMIT ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION AS NOTED BELOW:

Royal Jubilee Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Bursary

- Proof of graduation from Royal Jubilee Hospital SON (e.g., copy of diploma).
OR
- Proof that you are the child of a graduate of Royal Jubilee Hospital SON (e.g., copy of your parent's diploma or a letter of explanation).

St. Joseph's School of Nursing (Victoria, BC) Alumnae Bursary in Honor of the Sisters of St. Ann

- Proof of graduation from St. Joseph's SON (e.g., copy of your diploma).
OR
- Proof that you are the child of a graduate of St. Joseph's SON (e.g., copy of parent's diploma or letter of explanation).

South Fraser Chapter Bursary

- Proof of residency in South Fraser region – Surrey, White Rock, Delta, Langley. (The proof of BC residency which is required for all applications will normally satisfy this requirement).

Val Dyck Memorial Bursary

- Proof of residency for five years or longer in North Cariboo region (postal codes V2J or V0K).

Vancouver General Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Bursary

- Proof of graduation from Vancouver General Hospital SON (e.g., copy of your diploma).
OR
- Proof that you are the child of a graduate of the Vancouver General Hospital SON (e.g., copy of your parent's diploma or letter of explanation).

BURSARIES FOR REGISTERED NURSES

If you are a registered nurse enrolled in post-basic nursing education programs you are automatically eligible for the following bursaries:

- Beverly Douglas Memorial Bursary
- Carol Winter Memorial Bursary
- Elgin & Vivian Lockridge Bursary
- Esther Paulson & Sylvia Code Bursary
- Frederick & Elizabeth Willett Bursary
- Helen Margaret King Memorial Bursary
- Mary Sutherland Bursary
- RNABC Nursing Education Bursary
- Sylvia J. Holmes Bursary
- Vivian Grantham Memorial Bursary
- Xi Eta Chapter Bursary

In addition to your completed application form, proof of BC residency and your statement of career goals, your application must include:

- Confirmation of enrolment in a post-basic baccalaureate or masters' nursing program, a doctoral program in nursing or related field, or written confirmation that your clinical specialty program leads to an advanced diploma/certificate.
- Proof of CRNBC Registration (copy of current CRNBC registration card).

THE FOLLOWING BURSARIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR REGISTERED NURSES BUT HAVE SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND SUBMIT ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION AS NOTED BELOW:

BC Occupational Health Nurses Professional Practice Group Bursary

- Proof of CRNBC Registration (copy of current CRNBC registration card).
- Proof of membership in BCOHNG.
- Letter of acceptance for a degree or post-basic diploma/certificate program in Occupational Health
- Proof of registration for the BCOHNG Annual Workshop.
- Proof of registration to write the National BCOHNG (Canadian Certificate) examination.
- Confirmation of employment in nursing (reference letter from employer).

Challenge Bursary

- Proof of CRNBC registration
- Letter of acceptance for a graduate program in a related discipline complementary to nursing.

Children and Women's Health Centre of BC Bursary

- Confirmation of enrolment in a program of study that includes one of the following: Paediatrics or Paediatric Rehabilitation, Women's Health or Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Gordon J. Murphy Memorial Bursary

- Written Statement indicating intention to practice in cancer or palliative care nursing.

Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate Conception Bursary (with support from Mount Saint Joseph Hospital Foundation) and Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception Bursaries

- Statement supporting the mission, vision and values of Providence Health Care.
- Statement that you have examined the proposed course of study and believe that the course is consistent with the Canadian Catholic Bishop's Ethical Guidelines.
- Proof of employment by Providence Health Care.

Monica Green Bursary

- Proof of employment in a provincial health unit or in a public health role.
- Statement of desire to pursue a short or long-term course relative to your field of interest.
- Documentation that you are active or interested in professional and/or community organizations. e.g., CRNBC, PHABC, CPHA, Community Health Nurses Interest Group.

Research Bursary

- Proof of CRNBC Registration (copy of current CRNBC registration card).
- Confirmation from supervisor that the proposed research activity has been approved for academic purposes with expected date of completion.

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- Proof of residency in South Fraser region – Surrey, White Rock, Delta, Langley (The proof of BC residency which is required for all applications will normally satisfy this requirement).

Vancouver General Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Bursary

- Proof of graduation from Vancouver General Hospital SON (e.g., copy of diploma).
OR
- Proof that you are the child of a graduate of Vancouver General Hospital School of Nursing (e.g., copy of your parent's diploma or letter of explanation).

BURSARIES FOR NURSES UPGRADING THROUGH REGISTERED NURSE RE-ENTRY PROGRAMS

Applicants in this category are eligible for all the bursaries listed under Bursaries for Student/Undergraduate Nurses, see page 2. **In addition to your completed application form, proof of BC residency and your statement of career goals, your application must include:**

1. A letter of acceptance for a Registered Nurse Re-Entry Program.
AND
2. For nurses who have never been registered in British Columbia, a copy of your CRNBC assessment letter.
OR
3. For former or current CRNBC registrants, a copy of your letter from CRNBC regarding your eligibility to re-instate registration.