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Introduction

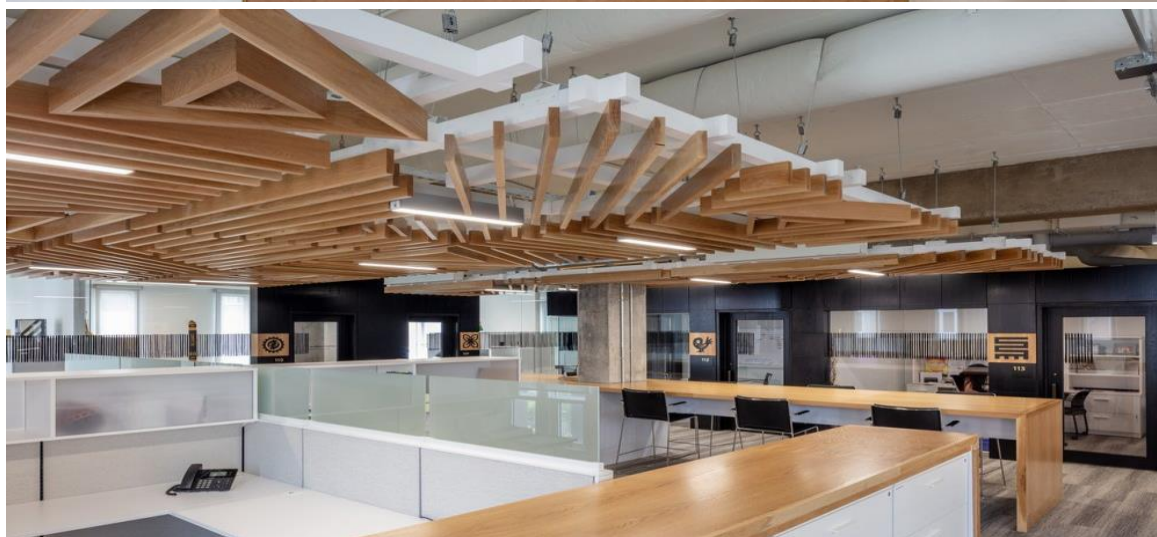
As an Africentric Institute, the Delmore “Buddy” Daye Learning Institute (DBDLI) creates educational change and genuine opportunities for learners and communities of African ancestry to reach their full potential. Educational research is vital to achieving our vision. We conduct and disseminate learnings from that research, providing policy analysis that informs policymakers, educators, parents, and the general public on how to best improve educational opportunities and outcomes for Nova Scotian learners of African descent.

The Institute works directly with African Nova Scotian / African Canadian organizations, communities, government partners, and educational institutions to identify, develop, and implement educational and community capacity enhancement policies, programs and services. Post-secondary education is an important opportunity that requires financial resources. We believe that every student should have access to a relevant and accurate scholarship and bursary resource list.

The purpose of this booklet is to provide financial source options for learners of African ancestry. Each scholarship is identified and has a summary of the criteria and a link to find out more and apply.

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African Nova Scotian Scholarships

AHT Society Scholarship Award

Sponsored by Africville Heritage Trust Society

Description & Eligibility:

- The AHT Scholarship Program (the “Scholarship Awards Program”) was established in 2013 by the AHT and Waterbury Newton (wnns.ca), the law firm that represented the Africville Genealogy Society and many former Africville residents in an action against the former City of Halifax.

Value: \$1,500

Deadline: June 30

Website: africvillemuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/FINAL-Scholarship-Application-2024.pdf

Annette Verschuren Endowed Scholarship

Sponsored by Mount Saint Vincent University

Description & Eligibility:

- Established by Annette Verschuren, DHUML ‘96, to recognize Mount Saint Vincent University’s commitment to academic excellence. This scholarship is awarded annually to students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in their entering grades to the University and who are able to demonstrate financial need.
- Applicants must submit the following supplemental documentation: a resume, and a letter demonstrating financial need.

Value: \$4,000

Deadline: March 1st

Website: www.msvu.ca/future-students/money-matters/scholarships-awards/undergraduate-scholarships/entrance-scholarships/

Arnold D. Johnson Award for Water Resources

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Community College

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded to a first-year student in the Mechanical Engineering Technology or Environmental Technology diploma courses who self-identifies as African Nova Scotian.

Value: \$3,600

Deadline: July 17th

Website: <https://nsc.academicworks.ca/opportunities/7856>

Association of Black Social Workers Bursary

Sponsored by The Association of Black Social Workers Selection Committee

Description & Eligibility:

- To assist African Canadian students who are attending a recognized university; studying towards a social work degree.

Value: To Be Determined

Deadline: October 30th

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/health/socialwork/about/scholarships/scholarships/association-of-black-social-workers-bursary.html.

Athena Bell Colpitts Scholarship

Sponsored by Athena Bell Colpitts

Description & Eligibility:

- This scholarship was established in June 2003 to provide an endowment for an annual scholarship program for worthy Indigenous Black, Aboriginal, and Inuit law students. The award will go to students in any year of study who demonstrate financial need and are either Indigenous Black; or Aboriginal; or Inuit.

Value: Varies

Deadline: April 7th

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/law/current-students/jd-students/awards-prizes.html

ATV/CTV Media Scholarship Bursary

Sponsored by University of St. Thomas

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded annually to a student entering the third year of the Journalism Program who is a member of a designated group as defined in the Canada Employment Equity Act. Preference will be given to a student who is a member of a visible minority or Indigenous peoples who demonstrates an interest in television journalism. If a candidate from one of the designated groups is not available, the University reserves the right to identify other deserving candidates. Funding: Generously funded by CTV Atlantic.

Value: \$2,000

Deadline: February 15

Website: https://www.stu.ca/upper_year_scholarships/

BBPA Legacy Scholarships

Sponsored by Black Business and Professional Association

BBPA Legacy Scholarships are established in the name of Black Canadians who enriched Canada with their contributions in the arts, sciences, business, technology, politics, and other areas of endeavour. Each scholarship is in the amount of \$1,000 – \$2,000. BBPA Legacy Scholarships are funded by general donations and investment income from the endowment fund.

Value: \$1000-\$2000

Deadline: July 1, 2025

Website: bbpa.org/bbpa-scholarships/

BEA Bursary Fund

Sponsored by Black Educators Association (BEA)

Description & Eligibility:

- African Nova Scotian (Black) learner – At least one parent to be of African descent
- Resident of Nova Scotia
- Demonstrates financial need
- Continuing studies at post-secondary institutions (i.e., university, college, trade school, etc.)
- Studying toward first degree or diploma at Canadian post-secondary institution (including the Transition Year Program)

Value: \$500

Deadline: April 30

Website: <https://bea-ns.ca/bursary-form/>

Black Student Leaders Bursary

Sponsored by Foundation For Black Communities

Description & Eligibility:

- The FFBC Black Medical Student Bursary provides \$10,000 in financial support, plus career mentorship, professional development, and networking opportunities through a partnership with the Black Physicians of Canada.
- Eligibility
 - -Self-identify as Black
 - -Be entering their first year of medical school at Dalhousie, Toronto Metropolitan University, or McGill
 - -Demonstrate financial need and commitment to community leadership

Value: \$10,000

Deadline: June

Website: <https://forblack.ca/black-medical-student-bursary/>

Black Medical Student Bursary

Sponsored by StFX

Description & Eligibility:

- This award will be paid to a full or part-time undergraduate student of StFX who has demonstrated financial need. The student must be a self-identified African Nova Scotian from within the local communities of Antigonish or Guysborough counties. Applicants must complete a 500-word essay describing how they demonstrate community leadership or intend to use their university degree to be a leader in their local community

Value: \$1000

Deadline: Unspecified

Website: theu.ca/bursaries.

BMO Financial Group Award

Sponsored by Bank of Montreal

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded to a first-year student in any program, who self-identifies as an African Nova Scotian

Value: \$1000

Deadline: July 17th, 2025

Website: nsc.academicworks.ca/opportunities/7906

Buddy Daye Scholarship Fund

Sponsored by Community Foundation of Nova Scotia

Description & Eligibility:

- The Nominee must be an African Nova Scotian between the ages of 14 and 24 and continuing their studies in the upcoming academic year. Any individual, school, youth group, community group or sports organization may nominate someone for the award (no individual can nominate themselves for the award).

Value: \$500

Deadline: April 30

Website: cfns.ca/buddydayescholarshipfund/

Calvin W. Ruck Scholarship

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Association for the Advancement of Coloured People

Description & Eligibility:

- To provide a scholarship to African Nova Scotian students in the BSW or MSW program at the School of Social Work, who demonstrate a desire to improve and advance the interests of African Nova Scotian and African Canadian (NSAACP) people through the study and practice of social work.

Value: \$1,000 annually

Deadline: October 15

Application: Submit your curriculum vitae and a cover letter to:

Director, C/O Linda Power

School of Social Work Dalhousie University Suite 3201-1459

LeMarchant Street

P.O. Box 15000,

Halifax, NS B3H 4R2

Community College/Trade School Award

Sponsored by Department of Education, African Canadian Services Division

Description & Eligibility:

- Applicant must be an African Nova Scotian (Black) student
- Applicants must be enrolled full-time in an approved Community College, Private Career College, or Trade School
- Applicants must be a graduate of the Nova Scotia school system

Value: \$1,800

Deadline: July 25th

Website: www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants/community-college-trade-school

CTV News Atlantic Scholarship Award

University of King's College

- All applicants (preference given to Black Canadian and Indigenous students in Canada)
- Demonstrated interest in television journalism

Value: \$5,600

Deadline: February 15

Website: ukings.ca/admissions/finances/scholarships/graduate-advanced/

Defense Construction Canada

Sponsored by BlackNorth Initiative

Description & Eligibility:

- A \$2,500 bursary, renewable for up to four years (totaling \$10,000), to help cover the cost of tuition, books, living expenses, or other education-related needs
- Access to a mentorship program that pairs students with professionals from Defense Construction Canada and/or the BlackNorth Initiative network
- Mentors will aim to improve access to meaningful career guidance, internships, and employment opportunities within the industry.

Eligibility Criteria:

To be considered for the bursary and mentorship program, applicants must:

Identify as Black (Afro-Caribbean, African Canadian, and/or racialized)

Be in their final year of high school or currently enrolled in a recognized Engineering, Architecture, or Finance program at a Canadian college or university

Demonstrate financial need

Maintain academic excellence to remain eligible for bursary renewal over four year

Value: \$2,500

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://blacknorth.ca/>

Diversity Bursary

Sponsored by Communications Nova Scotia

Description & Eligibility:

- Belong to one of the designated groups: Aboriginal Peoples, persons with disabilities, African Nova Scotians and racially visible people, people who speak French as a first language
- Be enrolled full-time in one of the applicable degree or diploma programs at a university or community college in Nova Scotia
- Include a creative submission (see above) and ensure that your name is on the submission

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: May 1

Website: <https://www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants/diversity-communications-bursary>

Dr. Carrie Best Scholarship

Sponsored by University of King's College

Description & Eligibility:

- This award honours Dr. Carrie Best, the second Black publisher in Nova Scotia as well as an accomplished writer and human rights activist.

Value: \$20,000 (\$5,000 per year)

Deadline: March 1

Website: ukings.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/24-25-major-entrance-scholarship-form_11-15.pdf

Dr. P. Anthony Johnstone Entrance Scholarship

Sponsored by Department of Labour and Advanced Education

Description & Eligibility:

- This entrance was established by the Province of Nova Scotia in 1991 to encourage young people to educate themselves in Canada. Dr. Anthony Johnstone was the former Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission.

Value: \$6,000 (non-renewable)

Deadline: March 31

Website: novascotia.ca/lae/scholarships/

First Nations & Indigenous Black Students Scholarships (Undergraduate)

Sponsored by Dalhousie University

Description & Eligibility:

- The objective of these scholarships is to increase the representation of Indigenous Black and First Nations communities in the university's wide diversity of graduate programs, and ultimately in the academy and in advanced professional occupations. The graduate program may be at the master's or doctoral level, and may include professional, course-based or thesis-based programs.
- Open to students entering an undergraduate program in the Faculty of Architecture & Planning, Arts & Social Sciences, Computer Science, Engineering, Health Professions, Management, Science, or the Diploma of Dental Hygiene.

Value: 32,000 (\$8,000 per year renewable for 4 years)

Deadline: March 1st

Website: www.dal.ca/EntranceAwards

Forsyth Family Nova Scotia Undergraduate Scholarship

Sponsored by Imhotep Legacy Academy

Description & Eligibility:

- Available to Black students entering any program at Dalhousie University directly from high school. Applicants must be permanent residents of Nova Scotia. Black African Nova Scotian students who also demonstrate financial need and extra-curricular involvement.

Value: Up to \$80,000 (Up to \$20,000 per year renewable for 4 years)

Deadline: February 15th, 2025

Website: www.dal.ca/admissions/money_matters/awards-financial-aid/scholarships/prospective_students.html

George Caines Graduate Scholarship in Law

Sponsored by Dalhousie University

Description & Eligibility:

- Approximately \$20,000 (total) awarded to one or more students each year. First consideration will be given to applicants with a focus on business or tax law, but second consideration will be given to a student, or students, whose study is in other areas of law. Preference will be given to those students who, while qualified to pursue their graduate studies, have demonstrated financial need. This scholarship was established by John Bragg in recognition of George Caines' service to John Bragg, his Family and the Bragg Group of Companies as a trusted legal advisor over a long period of time.

Value: up to \$20,000

Deadline: First consideration given to applicants with a focus on business or tax law, but second consideration will be given to those students who, while qualified to pursue their graduate studies, have demonstrated financial need. Automatically submitted on behalf of the student with their university application

Website:

academicalendar.dal.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=136&chapterid=9430&topicgroupid=41461&loadusercredits=False

Gertrude E. Smith Scholarship

Sponsored by African United Baptist Association of Nova Scotia

Description & Eligibility:

- This scholarship is for a student of Bajan descent who will be attending an accredited Canadian University or College on a full-time basis. The student must be under the age of 30 and must demonstrate academic excellence, financial need, and community involvement.

Value: \$3,000

Deadline: July 31st

Website: www.aubans.ca/web/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Gertrude-E.-Smith-Scholarship-application-1.pdf

Guru Nanak Scholarship

Sponsored by Dalhousie University

Description & Eligibility:

- Dr. and Mrs. D. S. Chehil established this scholarship to encourage Black Nova Scotian students to qualify for admission to and complete the engineering degree at Dalhousie. This award of \$1,000 is tenable for up to three years or more, subject to maintenance of an acceptable academic average. Eligible candidates must be Black Canadians born in Nova Scotia. The Scholarship is awarded primarily on the basis of the applicant's academic record prior to admission into third year, or on the basis of the academic record at an associated university or at the university entrance level. Other factors such as personality, initiative, community involvement and other awards held by the applicant may be considered.

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: April 30th

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/engineering/u-s-o/current-students/eng-scholarships/in-course.html

The H.A.J. Wedderburn Scholarship in Law

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Association for the Advancement of Coloured People

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded to a Black Nova Scotian enrolled in a graduate program (LLM or PhD). This scholarship was established by the Nova Scotia Association for the Advancement of Coloured People in recognition of Mr. Wedderburn's contributions in the struggles of the Black peoples of Nova Scotia for equal access.

Value: TBA

Deadline: January 16

Contact the Faculty for more information

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/law/programs/grad-admissions/funding.html

Hildred Martin Leadership Endowed Scholarship

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Community College

Description & Eligibility:

- Established by Hildred Martin, who had a strong commitment to equality and continuing education, this scholarship is awarded to a full-time female indigenous Black student from Nova Scotia, who has made a positive and significant contribution to her community, who has displayed a capacity for leadership, and is committed to continuing their education in a post-secondary institution. This award is renewable.
- Applicants must submit the following supplemental documentation: a résumé outlining extra-activities and leadership qualities, a letter demonstrating financial need, and career aspirations.

Value: \$500

Deadline: May 15

Website: www.msvu.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Hildred20Martin20Leadership20Endowed.pdf

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Community College

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded to a second-year student in any program with preference given to students with disabilities, African Nova Scotians, First Nations and other racially visible minorities.

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: www.nsc.ca/awards

The Humanitarian Scholarship

Sponsored by Black Business and Professional Association

Description & Eligibility:

- For a student at risk of being forced to leave their studies due to exceptional financial need and no possibility of other financial help. Sponsored by BBPA.

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: bbpa.org/bbpa-scholarships/

ILA-TD Bank Opportunity Scholarship

Sponsored by Imhotep Legacy Academy

Description & Eligibility:

- Open to any active participant of ILA's junior high or high school programs who demonstrate an interest in an aptitude for STEM. Each scholarship is valued at up to \$5,000/year of university, if selected for the scholarship each year from Grade 7 to 12. Renewal is granted each year for up to three additional years, contingent on satisfactory academic performance (minimal GPA of 2.7) in STEM-related programs at Dalhousie University (e.g. BSc, BEng, BScN, BScKin, BScTR and others as described in the Dalhousie University calendar).

Value: up to \$5,000

Deadline: April 6th, 2025

Website: www.imhotep.ca/en/for-ila-students/ilatd-scholarship/

Indigenous Black and Mi'kmaq Initiative

Sponsored by Dalhousie Schulich School of Law

Description & Eligibility:

- The IB&M Initiative works to ensure that Mi'kmaq and African Nova Scotian students, and other Aboriginal and Black students, are represented at the Schulich School of Law. The Initiative involves community outreach and recruiting; providing student financial and other support; developing scholarships in the areas of Aboriginal law and African Canadian legal perspectives and promoting the hiring and retention of graduates.

Value: Varies

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/law/indigenous-blacks-mi-kmaq-initiative.html

Jack and Barbara Prince Award

Sponsored by Dalhousie Schulich School of Law

Description & Eligibility:

- This bursary fund was set up in 1977 by Jack and Barbara Prince of Halifax. The income of this fund is awarded annually by the Law School to a needy student, normally resident in the Province of Nova Scotia, who has been accepted into the first year of the JD program. The bursary may be renewable, depending on the financial position of the holder of the award. Preference in awarding the bursary will be given to Black students.

Value: \$2,650

Deadline: September 29th, 2025

Website: academiccalendar.dal.ca/Content/Default/Controls/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viwcatalog&catalogid=131&chapterid=9008&topicgroupid=39346&loadusercredits=False&pg=6

Jeannine Deveau Scholarship

Sponsored by St Francis Xavier University

Description & Eligibility:

- This award is available to Aboriginal Canadian and African Nova Scotian students who are entering a diploma or degree program at StFX directly from high school. Preference will be given to students from Mi'kmaw and African Nova Scotian communities. Students must demonstrate high school achievement, evidence of leadership and community involvement. This award is valued at \$3,000 per year and is renewable for a maximum of five years; provided students achieve a minimum average.

Value: \$15,000

Deadline: April 1st

Website: www.stfx.ca/jeannine-deveau-educational-equity-endowment-fund/funding-opportunities

Jeff D. & Martha Edwards Scholarship for Black Canadians & Bermudian Students

Sponsored by Dalhousie University

Description & Eligibility:

- First Nations and Indigenous Black students, who are residents of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, or Prince Edward Island and who are entering Dalhousie for the time being.

Value: \$12,000

Deadline: March 1st

Website:

academiccalendar.dal.ca/Content/Default/Controls/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=135&chapterid=9299&topicgroupid=40733&loadusercredits=True&pg=3

John Rollock Memorial Scholarship

Sponsored by Barbados Canada Foundation

Description & Eligibility:

- This scholarship is for a student of Bajan descent who will be attending an accredited Canadian University or College on a full-time basis. The student must be under the age of 30 and must demonstrate academic excellence, financial need, and community involvement.

Value: \$4,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: www.barbadoscanaadafoundation.com/scholarships-program.html

Jonathan Skeete Memorial Prize

Sponsored by Dalhousie University – TYP (College of Continuing Education)

Description & Eligibility:

- Friends, faculty and former students of the Transition Year Program have established an endowment from which to fund an annual prize. The award honours the memory of Jonathan Skeete who, following completion of the TYP, graduated with a BComm degree and then served several years with the RCMP. An annual prize is available to a Black student who is enrolled in the Transition Year Program.
- Available to current Black students in the Transition Year Program at the College of Continuing Education.

Value: Contact the Department, School, or College for more information

Deadline: Contact the Department, School, or College for more information

Website: academiccalendar.dal.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=135&chapterid=9306&topicgroupid=40786&loadusercredits=True

Journalism Director's Award

University of King's College

- Mi'kmaw or African Nova Scotian students
- Students must be registered full-time to hold academic awards

Value: \$2,000

Deadline: Feb 15

Website: ukings.ca/admissions/finances/scholarships/graduate-advanced/

Loran Award

Sponsored by Loran Scholars Foundation

Description & Eligibility:

- Renewable for up to four years, with a total value of \$100,000, each Loran Award includes:
- An annual living stipend of \$10,000
- A tuition waiver of up to \$10,000 annually from one of 25 partner universities
- Personal mentorship from a Canadian leader
- Experiential learning through summer work experiences in three different sectors with funding up to \$14,000
- An orientation expedition through Algonquin Park
- Annual retreats and scholar gatherings
- Lifelong membership in a community of values-driven individuals
- Eligibility
- Be graduating from high school in 2025.
- Note: Students who graduated in 2024 and are currently taking a gap year are eligible to apply.
- Present a minimum cumulative average of 85%.
- Hold Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.
- Be born between January 1, 2002 and September 1, 2008.

Value: Renewable for up to four years, with a total value of \$100,000

Deadline: October

Website: <https://loranscholar.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Sample-Application-for-2026-Loran-Award.pdf>

Margo Marshall Entrance Bursary

Sponsored by Saint Mary's University

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded annually to a full-time undergraduate Black female student from Nova Scotia entering her first year of studies at Saint Mary's University who has demonstrated financial need.

Value: \$500

Deadline: March 1

Website: smu.ca/academics/scholarships/scholarships-entrance-awards.html

Martin Luther King Junior Award for Academic Achievement

Sponsored by St Francis Xavier University

Description & Eligibility:

- Paid to a full-time African Canadian student of StFX from Nova Scotia who has demonstrated excellence academically.

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: www.stfx.ca/applications-admissions/financial-support/financial-aid-office/need-based-bursaries/limited-bursary/by-alphabetical-order

Morris Saffron Award

Sponsored by Dalhousie University – TYP (College of Continuing Education)

Description & Eligibility:

- A bequest under the will of the late Morris Saffron established an endowment to provide an annual prize to a student in the Transition Year Program who is judged to have made the greatest academic achievement during the year.

Value: \$500

Deadline: Automatic Consideration – No Application Required

Website:

academicalendar.dal.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=135&chapterid=9306&topicgroupid=40786&loadusercredits=True

Morton Simmonds Educational Scholarship

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Community College

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded to a first-year student in the Criminal Justice diploma program, who self-identifies as African Nova Scotian or Indigenous Persons

Value: \$3,000

Deadline: June 19th

Website: nsc.academicworks.ca/opportunities/7968

Ngena Bernard Memorial Dalhousie University Transition Year Program- Social Work Bursary Fund

Sponsored by Dalhousie University

Description & Eligibility:

- To assist full- and part-time African Canadian students who are graduates of the Dalhousie University Transition Year Program (TYP), and are attending the Dalhousie School of Social Work, or doing prerequisite courses to study towards a social work degree.

Value: One bursary will be awarded each year and the amount will not exceed \$500.

Deadline: October 15

Website:

cdn.dal.ca/content/dam/dalhousie/pdf/healthprofessions/School%20of%20Social%20Work/BSW%20Scholarships/Ngena%20Bernard%20TYP%20Bursary.pdf

Norma R. Smith Memorial Scholarship

Sponsored by Community Foundation of Nova Scotia

Description & Eligibility:

- The Norma R. Smith Memorial Scholarship was established in 2022 in memory of our loving mother, Norma, an amazing woman whose heart embraced not only her children, but all those within her sphere of influence. The scholarship is a \$2,000 award given to a graduating senior of African Nova Scotian descent, to be used at a post-secondary institution of their choice.
- Applicants must be of African Nova Scotian descent and a Grade 12 student who has been accepted by a recognized Canadian post-secondary education college or university who plans to attend that institution in the fall of the same year.

Value: \$2,000

Deadline: June 21

Website: cfns-fcne.ca/normarsmithmemorialscholarship/

Nova Scotia Black and First Nations Students Graduate Scholarships

Sponsored by Dalhousie University – Faculty of Graduate Studies

Description & Eligibility:

- Dalhousie University offers graduate scholarships valued at \$15,000 per year, awarded annually to an African Nova Scotian who has either recently started or is planning to pursue graduate studies at Dalhousie. The objective of these scholarships is to reduce systematic barriers and increase representation of African Nova Scotians in the university's wide diversity of graduate programs and in advanced professional occupations.

Value: \$15,000 per year for up to 2 years

Deadline: February 15th

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/gradstudies/finance-your-studies/scholarships-bursaries/african-nova-scotian-scholarship.html

Nova Scotia Health Authority Diversity Bursary

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Health Authority

Description & Eligibility:

- To assist African Nova Scotians, Aboriginal Peoples, immigrants and people with disabilities in their pursuit of post-secondary education in a health-related profession with a longer-term goal of having a diverse workforce.

Value: \$1,000 - \$2,000

Deadline: February 6th

Website: qe2foundation.ca/current-priorities/diversity-health-care-bursaries
<https://apply.qe2foundation.ca/>

Performing Arts Award

Sponsored by Department of Education, African Canadian Services Division

Description & Eligibility:

- Applicant must be an African Nova Scotian (Black) student
- Applicant must be enrolled on a full-time basis in the first or second year of a recognized university degree program (i.e. Bachelor of Music)
- Have a concentration in one of the performing arts genre, i.e. music, voice, dance, theatrical performances
- Have demonstrated qualities of performing arts through participation in student activities and community affairs
- Applicant must be a graduate of the Nova Scotia school system

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: July 25

Website: www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants/performing-arts-award

The Portia White Scholarship

Sponsored by Bravura Nova Scotia

Description & Eligibility:

- In the musical arts in honour of the late Ms. Portia White, a renowned opera singer in past decades, who overcame personal obstacles to establish an outstanding musical career.

Value: \$2500

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: www.bravuranovascotia.ca/scholarships.

Post-Secondary Award

Sponsored by Department of Education, African Canadian Services Division

Description & Eligibility:

- Applicant must be an African Nova Scotian (Black) student
- Must be enrolled as a full-time student in a recognized university degree (undergraduate) program
- Must be a graduate of the Nova Scotia education system

Value: \$2,500

Deadline: July 25

Website: www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants/post-secondary-award

Preston Bursary in Memory of Romaine Provo and Jontia Whynder

Sponsored by Saint Mary's University

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded to a first-year student who is enrolled full-time in an undergraduate program at Saint Mary's University and is a resident of the Preston area of Nova Scotia. The recipient must demonstrate satisfactory academic standing from high school. Preference will be given to students who are of African descent.

Value: \$600

Deadline: February 15th

Website: www.smu.ca/blackstudent/financial-assistance.html

Reader's Digest Journalism Scholarship

University of King's College

- All applicants (preference given to Black Canadian and Indigenous students in Canada)
- Demonstrated interest in television journalism
- Canadian citizens or permanent residents
- Visible minority or a member of other under-represented groups, as determined by the Journalism Admission Committee
- Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate an interest in print journalism

Value: \$2,200

Deadline: Feb 15

Website: ukings.ca/admissions/finances/scholarships/graduate-advanced/

RBC Capital Markets Canada Pathways Diversity Award Program

Sponsored by Royal Bank of Canada

Description & Eligibility:

- RBC Capital Markets is committed to fostering inclusion and workplace diversity. The RBC Capital Markets Pathways Diversity Award Program aims to empower, hire, grow, and retain outstanding undergraduate students who identify as Black and/or as an Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit, Métis) person of Canada studying full-time at a Canadian university/college, and who are passionate about pursuing a full-time career in Capital Markets.
- successful candidates will earn a C\$10,000* financial award, executive sponsorship, and an offer to join the Global Investment Banking or Global Markets Summer Analyst Program in Calgary, Montreal, Toronto, or Vancouver.

Value: \$10,000

Deadline: February 9th

Website: www.rbccm.com/en/careers/scholarships.page

Robert T. Peacock Achievement Award

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Community College

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded to a second-year student in environmental Engineering Technology
- Preference will be given to applicants self-identifying as a Racially Visible Minority

Value: \$2,000

Deadline: June 19th

Website: nscc.academicworks.ca/opportunities/7362

RBC Future Launch Scholarship for Black Youth

Sponsored by Royal Bank of Canada

Description & Eligibility:

- The RBC Future Launch Scholarship for Black Youth is an innovative new program designed to empower and enable. Through the Scholarship, Black youth will be supported in achieving their goals by receiving financial and mentorship support from RBC and our community partners.

Value: \$10,000

Deadline: Varies

Website: www.rbc.com/en/future-launch/resource-type/scholarships-awards/black-scholarship/

REV. DR. DONALD D./MRS. EVELINA SKEIR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sponsored by AUBA

Description & Eligibility:

- This Scholarship was established by the children of the late Reverend Dr. Donald D. & Mrs. Evelina Skeir to perpetuate the contributions of their parents to the church and society. The Scholarship will be a

Value: \$10,000

Deadline: July 30th

Website: www.aubans.ca/web/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Rev.-Dr.-Donald-D.-Mrs.-Evelina-Skeir-Scholarship-Fund-Application-2021.pdf

Schulich School of Law Cox & Palmer Entrance Bursary for Equity-Deserving Communities

Sponsored by Dalhousie Schulich School of Law

Description & Eligibility:

- Cox & Palmer has created this bursary to support an incoming student as they enter law school who self-identifies as coming from an equity deserving community who continues to be underrepresented at Dalhousie Schulich School of Law.

Value: \$1,500 per year

Deadline: January 15

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/law/programs/jd-admissions/financial-support/scholarships.html

Science Profession Scholarship

Sponsored by Department of Education, African Canadian Services Division

Description & Eligibility:

- Priority will be given to the following programs: Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, and Engineering
- Applicant must be an African Nova Scotian (Black) student
- Applicant must have attended a Nova Scotia P-12 public/private school in Nova Scotia
- Be accepted or registered as a full-time student in one of the prescribed university programs
- Demonstrate continued scholastic achievement (attach an official academic transcript - internet copies are not acceptable)

Value: \$7,000

Deadline: July 25

Website: www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants/science-profession-scholarship

Science Summer Research Scholarship Award

Sponsored by Imhotep Legacy Academy

Description & Eligibility:

- The goal of the Imhotep's Legacy Academy (ILA) is to increase the number of African Nova Scotians pursuing post-secondary education in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The ILA offers weekly interactive STEM enrichment activities and homework help for junior high students, an online tutoring program for high school students and summer research internships for post-secondary students. The ILA has partnered with the Faculty of Science (FoS) at Dalhousie to create this scholarship for African Canadians pursuing a science degree at a post-secondary institution in Nova Scotia. Its purpose is to increase the number of African Canadians in the field of Science by providing related research experience.

Value: \$6,500

Deadline: February 15

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/science/imhotep/programs/summer_research_studentship.html

Summer Research Program for Non Medical Students

Sponsored by Imhotep Legacy Academy

Description & Eligibility:

- Dalhousie Medical School's Summer Research Program for Non-Medical Students aims to open new doors of opportunity to those living in Nova Scotia of African descent and Aboriginal students with an interest in medicine and/or medical research. The program is open to undergraduate students from these communities who are confident that health research will be part of their professional careers.

Value: \$9,000

Deadline: February 3rd

Website: https://www.imhotep.ca/wp-content/uploads/FH-USRA-ILA-SSRS-Application-Form_2025.pdf

Sylvia D. Hamilton Award

Sponsored by University of King's College

Description & Eligibility:

- African Canadian (preference given to African Nova Scotian students)
- Students must meet academic entrance qualifications and have stated financial need

Value: \$2,020 - 5 different Awards each year - 1 year only

Deadline: Feb 15

Website: ukings.ca/admissions/finances/scholarships/graduate-advanced/

Additional Application: To be considered for this award, please contact the Registrar's Office at awards@ukings.ca.

Teacher Education Scholarship

Sponsored by Department of Education, African Canadian Services Division

Description & Eligibility:

- Applicant must be an African Nova Scotian (Black) student
- Applicant must have attended a P-12 public/private school in Nova Scotia
- Applicants must be accepted into a B.Ed. program
- Demonstrate continued scholastic achievement (attach an official academic transcript - internet copies are not acceptable)

Value: \$5,000

Deadline: July 25

Website: www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants/teacher-education-scholarship

Thomas J. Hayes & Family Scholarship

Sponsored by St Francis Xavier University

Description & Eligibility:

- Entrance scholarships for Nova Scotia high school graduates from the African Nova Scotian community who may not have the financial resources to attend St. Francis Xavier University. The award is valued at \$3,500 per year and can be renewed for a maximum of four years, provided a student achieves a minimum 75% average.

Value: \$14,000

Deadline: March 1st

Website: www.stfx.ca/admissions/tuition-and-financial-aid/scholarships/general

Transition Year Program

Sponsored by Dalhousie University

Description & Eligibility:

- TYP focuses upon the student and prepares them for University. The program offers financial support to qualified applicants, as well as living allowance. To succeed in TYP, you must work hard and push yourself beyond what you believe you can do! Our TYP students have gone on to complete degrees in architecture, nursing, law, and social work to name a few.

Value: Varies

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: www.dal.ca/faculty/open/programareas/univ-access-advising/transition-year-program.html

United Achievers Club Scholarship Bursary

Sponsored by United Achievers Club

Description & Eligibility:

- This scholarship is for a student of Black or Caribbean heritage who will be attending a recognized Canadian University or College. The student must have a strong academic record and actively be involved in the community and extracurricular activities. The Applicant must be a resident of Peel Region and demonstrate financial need.

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: [2c9db2_5e665ec3eaf74e4cbe22594413ee299e.pdf](https://www.achieversclub.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/2c9db2_5e665ec3eaf74e4cbe22594413ee299e.pdf)

University Entrance Scholarship

Sponsored by Department of Education, African Canadian Services Division

Description & Eligibility:

- Applicant must be an African Nova Scotian (Black) student
- Available to African Nova Scotian (Black) students who have successfully completed Grade 12 in the Nova Scotia school system within the current year
- Who have been accepted into, and will attend, university in the academic year immediately following Grade 12

Value: \$4,500

Deadline: May 31

Website: www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants/university-entrance

WINS Bursary

Sponsored by Nova Scotia Community College

Description & Eligibility:

- School of Trades and Technologies
- Self-identifies as female
- Two awards are designated to applicant self-identifying as African Nova Scotian

Value: \$1,500

Deadline: June 9

Website: nscc.academicworks.ca/opportunities/362

African Canadian Scholarships

The Al Hamilton Scholarship

Sponsored by Black Business and Professional Association

Description & Eligibility:

- Honours the late Al Hamilton, journalist, founder of an ethnocultural newspaper for the Black community, and a respected community activist

Value: \$1,000 – \$2,000

Deadline: TBA

Website: bbpa.org/bbpa-scholarships/

The Alrica Gordon Scholarship

Sponsored by Black Business and Professional Association

Description & Eligibility:

- Sponsored by Mr. Konata Lake, former recipient of more than one BBPA scholarship. He sponsors the scholarship in honour of his mother, Mrs. Gordon, for her support through his many years of studies. Mr. Lake has asked that the scholarship recipient be a graduate of C.I., C.W. Jeffreys, Emery Collegiate Institute, or of other Jane-Finch at-risk Students in Toronto.

Value: \$2,000

Deadline: TBA

Website: bbpa.org/bbpa-scholarships/

Application: bbpa.smapply.io/prog/scholarship/

Bank of Montreal Scholarships

Sponsored by The Bank of Montreal

Description & Eligibility:

- Two scholarships are sponsored by the Bank of Montreal, each to be awarded to a student with academic achievement, financial need, demonstrated social responsibility through community work, and an interest in a business career.

Value: \$5,000

Deadline: TBA

Website: bmcareers.com/students-and-grads/scholarship-programs/

BBPA Legacy Scholarships

BBPA Legacy Scholarships are established in the name of Black Canadians who enriched Canada with their contributions in the arts, sciences, business, technology, politics and other areas of endeavour. BBPA Legacy Scholarships are funded by general donations and investment income from the endowment fund.

Value: \$1,000 – \$2,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: bbpa.org/bbpa-scholarships/

The Best Lifestyle Residence Scholarship

Sponsored by Ms. Pauline Christian

Description & Eligibility:

- Sponsored by Ms. Pauline Christian, President of the BBPA, in memory of her mother, the late Queen Victoria Wellington-Wint. Scholarship to be awarded to a student with strong academics, health/fitness consciousness, demonstrated financial need, and who has made a recognized contribution in his/her community. Ms. Christian will participate in making the decision regarding the recipient of her scholarship.

Value: \$1,500

Deadline: TBA

Website: bbpa.org/bbpa-scholarships/

BFCN Aim 2 Achieve Award

Sponsored the by Black Foundation of Community Networks

Description & Eligibility:

- BFCN is proud to offer the 4th Annual Aim 2 Achieve Award. \$1,000 will be awarded to a student who has overcome adversity in their life on their way to post-secondary education at an accredited Canadian institution. This award is not based on academic achievement, but rather perseverance, hard work and creativity. Video applications are encouraged!

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: July 31

Website: bfcn.ca/scholarships/

The Black Canadian Scholarship Fund

Sponsored by The Black Canadian Scholarship Fund

Description & Eligibility:

- The Black Canadian Scholarship Fund (BCSF) is dedicated to enhancing the educational future of our young people, supporting the future leaders of tomorrow and ensuring community development. The BCSF was established to provide opportunities and encourage academic excellence for qualified Black students in the chosen fields of study. These opportunities are made available through the support and generous donations of many, through scholarships or bursaries.
- The BCSF was established in 1996 by Dr. Horace Alexis and members of the Ottawa community and funds are held with the Ottawa Community Foundation.

Value: \$6,000

Deadline: TBA

Website: www.ocf-fco.ca/grant-programs/black-canadian-scholarship-fund/

The Black Law Students' Association LSAT Bursary Program

Sponsored by The Black Law Students Association (BLSA) of Osgoode Law School

Description & Eligibility:

- These scholarships are for prospective Black law students who have completed a minimum of one full year at a recognized university in a program leading to a degree OR Black individuals who have not attended university or have less than three years of university and are at least 26 years of age (as of September 1st of the year of admission) and have a minimum of five years of non-academic experience. Applicants must demonstrate community involvement and volunteer experience.
- Applicants are to submit a resume and a 1,200-word statement of interest in one Word document.

Value: Varies

Deadline: February 5

Website: blsaosgoode.com/prospective-students/lsatbursary/

The Dr. Anderson Abbott Scholarship

Sponsored by University of Toronto

Description & Eligibility:

- The Dr. Anderson Abbott Scholarship is for a University of Toronto student enrolled in a Health Science program at the University of Toronto. The University established the scholarship in recognition of Dr. Abbott, the first Black medical doctor to graduate from a Canadian university and an army physician/surgeon for the North in the American Civil War. For his dedication and valour, he was given a special gift, President Lincoln's Inauguration Shawl, by Mary Todd Lincoln.

Value: \$4,000

Deadline: February 20

Website: future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/dr-anderson-abbott-award/

The Hon. Lincoln Alexander Scholarship

Sponsored by Black Business and Professional Association

Description & Eligibility:

- In honour of the widely-respected first Black Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, who emphasized the need for fairness and equity for all citizens.

Value: \$1,000 – \$2,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: bbpa.org/bbpa-scholarships/

Scholarships - General

Adult Learners Bursary

Sponsored by Literacy Nova Scotia

Description & Eligibility:

- Must be Nova Scotian
- Left the public school system before completing Grade 12, and has not yet completed Grade 12
- Will be attending an adult learning program in the fall of 2024

Value: \$500

Deadline: TBA

Website: www.literacyns.ca/schol_burs.htm

Adult Learners Scholarship

Sponsored by Literacy Nova Scotia

Description & Eligibility:

- Two scholarships of \$1,500 (one of which is designated for a NSCC Truro Campus student) are for adults who have completed their Grade 12 through an adult learning program, and are going on to, or continuing in college, university, or a trades and technology program.

Value: \$1,500

Deadline: TBA

Website: www.literacyns.ca/schol_burs.htm

ARL Career Enhancement Program

Sponsored by University of Alberta

Description & Eligibility:

- Up to \$10,000, including an academic stipend, an internship stipend, as well as coverage of housing and travel expenses. The program includes a 6-12-week paid internship in a research library, a mentoring relationship with an experienced librarian, a leadership training curriculum, and the opportunity to work in an ARL library upon graduation.

Value: Up to \$10,000

Deadline: Visit the website for application information and important dates

Website: www.ualberta.ca/en/admissions/how-to-apply/dates-deadlines/index.html

ARL Initiative to Recruit a Diverse Workforce

Sponsored by University of Alberta

Description & Eligibility:

- Leadership training curriculum, and the opportunity to work in an ARL library upon graduation.

Value: Up to \$10,000

Deadline: Visit the website for application information and important dates

Website: www.ualberta.ca/en/admissions/how-to-apply/dates-deadlines/index.html

Burns Lodge Legacy Scholarship

Sponsored by Burns Lodge No 10 Legacy Fund

Description & Eligibility:

- To be eligible for this award, applicants must be residents of the Halifax Regional Municipality and pursuing post-secondary studies in Atlantic Canada.
- Applicants will be adjudicated upon the basis of their scholastic achievement, community involvement, athletic accomplishments and financial need.

Value: \$1,500

Deadline: April 30

Website: cfn-fcne.ca/burns-lodge-legacy-scholarship-fund/

George A Strait Minority Scholarship Endowment

Sponsored by University Of Alberta

Description & Eligibility:

- Awarded annually to a college graduate member of a minority group, with meaningful law library experience, who is entering or continuing in an MLIS program, with demonstrated evidence of financial need. Preference is given to applicants with previous experience or interest in law librarianship. Applicants must also qualify for one of the AALL Educational Scholarships.

Value: \$3,500

Deadline: April 1

Website: www.ualberta.ca/school-of-library-and-information-studies/study/tuition-finance/scholarships-awards/scholarship-and-awards-list/george-a-strait-minority-scholarship-endowment.html

Horatio Alger Canadian Scholarship

Sponsored by Horatio Alger Association

Description & Eligibility:

- To be eligible to apply for the Horatio Alger Canadian Scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria: Be graduating high school (or be in the final year of CEGEP) with plans to enter university in the fall of 2019; Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree program at an accredited university; Demonstrate critical financial need (\$65,000 or less annual net income per family is required); Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities; Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity; Maintain a minimum grade percentage of 65; Attend high school (or CEGEP) and reside in Canada; Be Canadian citizens.

Value: \$5,000

Deadline: Visit website for application information and important dates

Website: horatioalger.ca/en/scholarships/about-our-scholarships-programs/provincial-programs

Partner Organizations' Scholarship Resources

Black Canadian Scholarship

www.ischolarshipgrants.com/black-canadian-scholarship/

Black Educators Association Scholarship Booklet

bea-ns.ca/bursary.html

Community Foundation of Nova Scotia

cfns.ca

Dalhousie University

www.dal.ca/faculty/gradstudies/finance-your-studies/scholarships-bursaries/african-nova-scotian-scholarship.html

Dartmouth General Hospital Foundation

www.dghfoundation.ca/dgh-foundation-healthcare-bursary-for-african-nova-scotians/

Education and Early Childhood Development

www.ednet.ns.ca/acs/scholarships-grants

Government of Canada

open.canada.ca/data/en/dataset/43fd77a4-bd40-0a03-96d8-eca161c04520

University of King's College

ukings.ca/news/trailblazing-african-nova-scotian-gordon-sinclair-earle-honoured-with-renamed-kings-scholarship/

Mount Saint Vincent University

www.msvu.ca/future-students/money-matters/financial-aid/external-financial-aid/african-ns-student/

Nova Scotia Advanced Education

novascotia.ca/studentassistance/financing/scholarships.asp

Nova Scotia Community College

nsccl.ca

Nova Scotia Health

www.nshealth.ca/student-and-learning-opportunities/bursaries-and-scholarships

Nova Scotia Power

www.nspower.ca/community/scholarships

Saint Mary's University

www.smu.ca/blackstudent/student-supports-resources.html

StFX University

business.stfx.ca/scholarships

Scholarships Canada

www.scholarshipscanada.com/Scholarships/FeaturedScholarships.aspx

The PREP Academy

www.theprepacademy.ca/scholarship-directory/find-scholarships/

Helpful Tips

Top tips to consider while applying:

1. Create an educational spending road map

- Research all relevant applications for your current area of study
- Map out dollar amounts you are applying for and how they can be utilized towards your financial needs
- Update all necessary documents

2. Pay close attention to eligibility criteria

- Keep a record of up and coming deadlines
- Go over the requirements to make sure you qualify
- Don't wait until the last minute to apply

3. Gather required documents

- Gather everything you need and attach to your Application Form
- Acceptance Letter - **Required from entering institution**
- Transcripts - **Acquire from your last place of study**
- Reference Letters - **Read over before submitting if possible**

4. Ask for assistance if needed

- Set up meetings with a guidance counselor, support worker, teacher, or a trusted adult to get any help needed
- Have someone you trust review your application before sending
- Research and ask questions if information is unclear

Add Your Scholarship

Want to have your scholarship added to the next release of the Scholarship Booklet? Here's how:

To submit your information, please complete the Scholarship Information Form by scanning this QR code or visiting the link below.



Link: dbdli.ca/scholarships

Have Questions or Need Help?

We appreciate your interest in being a part of this valuable initiative. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at contact@dbdli.ca.

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