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## **Post-Care Free Tuition Program**

The NSCC Post-Care Free Tuition Program supports individuals who've lived in care in the Nova Scotia child welfare system – including Mi'kmaw Family and Children's Services of Nova Scotia – or have been in receipt of services through the Department of Community Services, Services for Youth Program. **This bursary covers up to 100% of tuition and fees\* for those selected.**

### **Who can apply?**

Those who meet the following requirements are encouraged to apply:

- You have lived in care for a minimum of one year (cumulative or accumulated) in the Nova Scotia child welfare system – including Mi'kmaw Family and Children's Services of Nova Scotia – as defined by the Children and Family Services Act, 2017; or have been in receipt of services through the Department of Community Services, Youth Services Program.
- You are confirmed or are planning to enroll in a program with tuition and associated fees in the upcoming academic year.
- You have financial need.
- You are pursuing your first post-secondary credential (e.g. certificate, diploma, advanced diploma).
- You are not currently receiving the Nova Scotia Department of Community Services' Educational Bursary Program for Children in Care or the Post-Care and Custody Agreement.
- You consent to a Release of Information for verification process with the Nova Scotia Department of Community Services.
- You are willing to meet with Student Affairs staff to explore other sources of funding and orientation to NSCC.

\* Limited to regular certificate/diploma tuition rates.

### **How to apply**

- **If you are confirmed in a program that begins in the upcoming academic year**, you can apply for the bursary through NSCC's Student Awards Portal at [studentawards.nscC.ca](https://studentawards.nscC.ca). Login using your NSCC credentials, complete the user tasks, search for the bursary and submit your application before the posted deadline.
- **If you want to attend NSCC in the upcoming academic year but have not yet applied**, you can visit [nscC.ca/postcare](https://nscC.ca/postcare), fill out the PDF application and submit it to NSCC's Student Awards Office by emailing [awards@nscC.ca](mailto:awards@nscC.ca) or faxing 902-491-2259.

All applications must be received by the posted deadline. Late submissions will not be considered. The number of bursaries available may fluctuate from year to year, depending on funds available.

### **Selection process**

Applications are reviewed by a selection committee. When reviewing applications, the committee will consider the following:

- Financial need
- Your educational goals, career aspirations and how this bursary can help you attain them

### **Questions?**

Contact NSCC Student Awards at:  
1-855-825-9060 | [awards@nscC.ca](mailto:awards@nscC.ca)

[nscC.ca/postcare](https://nscC.ca/postcare)

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## Student Application

**IMPORTANT:** This application is for prospective students only. If you've applied for admission and been accepted by NSCC, please complete your application in the Student Awards System at [studentawards.nsc.ca](http://studentawards.nsc.ca)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Fully complete all sections. Any missing details could render your application ineligible. The Student Awards Office will confirm receipt of your application upon submission. You may complete your application by hand or electronically (and print).

Name (first and last)

Email address

Phone #

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Program of interest (if known)

### Disclosure

*This personal information is being collected under the authority of the Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC) and is protected by the Nova Scotia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPOP). Access to this information is restricted to NSCC staff with direct responsibility for managing the Student Awards process, along with those individuals who serve on Awards selection committee(s). This personal information may also be used for administrative and statistical purposes by NSCC and the NSCC Foundation.*

### Budget

The purpose of this section is to evaluate student resources against expenses to calculate financial need. It is important to provide the most accurate amounts possible. For any fields that are unknown, best estimates should be given. If you have any questions about any of the fields, please direct these to the NSCC Student Awards Office.

### Applicant resources for upcoming Academic Year (Sept. - May)

	Amount
Summer period contribution (any monies saved from summer employment)	<input type="text"/>
Study period contribution (any anticipated monies from part-time employment while in school)	<input type="text"/>
Financial contribution from support system (spouse/partner or other)	<input type="text"/>
Sponsorship or funding from an organization (EI, DCS, etc.) x 9 months	<input type="text"/>
Child tax benefit x 9 months	<input type="text"/>
Student loan	<input type="text"/>
Other loan (Lines of credit, etc.)	<input type="text"/>
Savings (RESPs, GIC's, etc.)	<input type="text"/>
Other income	<input type="text"/>
<b>Total Resources</b>	<input type="text"/>

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**Living expenses** (Please do not include spouse or partner's expenses. If expenses are shared, please only include your contributions.)

	Per month	x 9 months
Rent/Mortgage		
Phone		
Internet		
Electricity		
Heat		
Insurance		
Groceries		
Debt payments (loans, credit cards, etc.)		
Family care (daycare, elder care, etc.)		
Transportation (bus fare, gas, car payment, etc.)		
Personal (laundry, toiletries, clothing, etc.)		
Medical		
Other		
Other		
<b>Total living expenses</b>		

**College expenses** (Only complete this section if you know which program you are interested in. A breakdown of program expenses can be found at [nsc.ca/fees](http://nsc.ca/fees))

	Amount
Tuition	
College service fee	
Student health and dental benefits	
Student Association fee	
U-Pass	
Textbooks	
Parking	
Portfolio supplies	
General supplies	
Tools	
Safety certifications (CPR/immunizations, background checks, etc.)	
Safety supplies (clothing, eyewear, shoes, etc.)	
<b>Total college expenses</b>	

Use this section to provide explanation of any special financial circumstances you are facing that have not already been identified in the financial section you have just completed.

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## Statement of Educational Goals

To support your application, you have been asked to share with NSCC your educational goals.

While there is no minimum length, we would ask that you answer all parts of the question fully to the best of your ability, in paragraph or point form.

**QUESTION: What are your educational goals? Provide us with an overview of: why you chose your program/field of study; your career aspirations and educational goals; how an NSCC education and previous experience has prepared you for this career; and why you believe you will succeed in your chosen profession upon graduation.**

# NSCC Post-Care Bursary Consent to Release of Information

Student's Name (include full legal name and any other previous names)

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):

To meet the student eligibility criteria for this award, NSCC must be able to confirm that the student has lived in care for a minimum of one year (cumulative or accumulated) in the Nova Scotia child welfare system or Mi'kmaw Family and Children's Services of Nova Scotia as defined by the Children and Family Services Act, 2017; or has been in receipt of services through the Department of Community Services, Youth Services Program.

I, , hereby authorize the exchange of information between the Department of Community Services and Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC) as it relates to the College's Post Care Bursary Program and to records such as:

- Confirmation of my eligibility for the Post Care Bursary as a current or former youth in care as defined by the Children and Family Services Act, 2017
- Personal and demographic information as submitted to the college in the application process

I understand this information will be used to determine eligibility for the Post Care Bursary.

Student Signature

Print Name

Date

**Please include this signed document with your application to complete your award application requirements. This form will be submitted to the Department of Community Services for their records and to further confirm your eligibility for this award.**

NSCC is committed to protecting your privacy. The information that you provide will be used to support award evaluation and for statistical/general reporting purposes. NSCC also ensures that the privacy of an individual is not compromised by disclosure of personal information to third parties without proper approvals. Access to this information is restricted to:

- NSCC staff with direct responsibility for managing the Student Awards process
- Those individuals who serve on Student Awards selection committee(s) if applicable and assist with award evaluation and selection
- The NSCC Foundation & Alumni Relations who may use specific information to support ongoing stewardship with award donors

NSCC is compliant with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPOP) 1997, and endeavors to treat your personal information in accordance with this Act. For further information about the information requested on the application, this form, or the purpose for which it will be used, please contact [awards@nsc.ca](mailto:awards@nsc.ca)

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