

Scholarship Details

The Sunshine Coast Health Centre scholarship offers a tuition scholarship opportunity to high school, undergraduate, and graduate students in Canada for the 2018-2019 school year. Available awards are:

\$1000 - Scholarship award towards tuition payment for 2018/19 semester tuition

The Sunshine Coast Health Centre Scholarship

As a leader in addiction treatment, [Sunshine Coast Health Centre](#) is proud to announce a new scholarship opportunity to high school, undergraduate, and graduate students in clinical counselling, psychology, social sciences, medical, and nursing programs who are interested in working in addictions and mental health in Canada.

Addiction – [Addiction](#) is a condition that results when a person uses a substance (e.g. alcohol, cocaine, nicotine) or engages in an activity (e.g. gambling, sex, shopping) as part of a continued use/act that becomes compulsive and interferes with life activities such as work, relationships, or health. Users may not be aware that their behaviour is out of control and causing problems for themselves and others.

Addiction is commonly defined by the biological state in which the body adapts to the presence of a drug so that it no longer has the same effect (also known as tolerance). At Sunshine Coast Health Centre, we relate addiction to the fundamental motivation in humans including the need to make sense of his or her life and pursue a personally meaningful existence. Through a [Meaning Therapy](#) lens, we see addiction as a result of an individual's persistently frustrated attempts to live a personally meaningful life.

Clients in our [drug rehab](#) and [alcohol treatment programs](#) illustrate what life is like when an individual lacks personal meaning. In spite of having the outward appearance of success such as families, social circles, good jobs, and material possessions, our clients describe their inner world as one beset by boredom, anger, depression, loneliness, and a nagging feeling of emptiness like lost souls wandering without a direction. Our clients also report feeling as if they're different and do not fit in the world. This sense of separateness and brokenness lies at the heart of why individuals turn to drugs, alcohol or other forms of addiction.

Scholarship Application Details & Eligibility

To apply for this scholarship, please submit a 500 to 1000-word essay on one of the following topics:

1. How has our (society's) understanding of addiction evolved in Canada and why is that important?
2. How well do you think the Canadian healthcare systems are currently dealing with the opiate crisis in North America?
3. What are your thoughts on abstinence and harm-reduction models?
4. What is your perspective on personal meaning and how it helps people in treatment and recovery for their addiction?

In order to qualify for this scholarship you must also be:

- Enrolled in a counselling, psychology, medical/nursing, or relevant program
- Currently enrolled in the 2018/19 semesters at an accredited university or college in Canada*

**Please send proof of enrollment for the 2018/19 semester with your application.*

Begin Your Application

To begin your application, fill out this application form below. Email your completed application form and essay to scholarship@schc.ca.

Application Deadline

All essays must be submitted no later than July 1, 2018. Winner will be announced on August 15, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 1-886-487-9050 or via our website [contact form](#).

General Information

Applicant First Name _____ Last Name _____

E-mail address _____ Phone Number _____

Home Address _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Address at School (if known) _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Country _____ Phone Number _____

Country of Citizenship _____

Education Information

Post-Secondary School to be/Being Attended in Fall _____

Department and Major _____

Department Address _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Country _____

Expected Graduation Date _____

Degree Expected _____

What was your grade point average last semester (A=4.0)? _____

What is your cumulative grade point average (A=4.0)? _____

Schools Previously Attended (If Applicable)

Colleges & Universities	Dates Attended	Degree Earned
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Current and Past School Activities & Honours

Community Activities & Honours

Employment Information

Please list any employment history, including dates, starting with your most recent job

Company Name	Employment Length	City, Province
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Student Essay

Along with this application form, please attach a 500-1000 word essay (**in Microsoft Word or PDF form**) on one of the following topics:

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Applicant Statement

The information provided in my application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate, and I understand that false statements on this application will disqualify me from scholarship.

I, _____ (*please print name*), give permission for any college or school to release to the Sunshine Coast Health Centre Scholarship Program any information necessary to process my application for scholarship awarding.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Summary

To complete this application, you MUST:

Send with this completed application a 500-1000 word essay on one of the topics listed.

Application Deadline is JULY 1, 2018

Send your full application in PDF format to scholarship@schc.ca

Alternatively, you can mail completed applications to:

Scholarship Program
Sunshine Coast Health Centre
RR#1 2174 Fleury Road
Powell River, BC V8A 0H8

Questions about your application may be directed to scholarship@schc.ca.