

Objective

On the 15th day of April, 2013, the Federal Court of Canada issued an Order outlining the terms of settlement in the matter of Manuge v Her Majesty The Queen, T-463-07 (the "Order"). The Order provided for the establishment of a fund, in the amount of \$10 million dollars to be administered by Universities Canada for the benefit of Class Members and other beneficiaries as provided for in the Order. The Veterans Bursary Program has been established to disburse monies from the Bursary Fund.

Additional Class Members were added in 2021 as part of the settlement in the matter of *Toth v Her Majesty The Queen, T-1068-14* ("Toth").

For more information, please visit the websites below:

Manuge v. Her Majesty The Queen :

https://www.mcinnescooper.com/services/sisip-ltd-class-action/

Toth v. Her Majesty The Queen:

https://gowlingwlg.com/en/ca/toth-v-her-majesty-the-queen-class-action/

Number, Value and Duration of Scholarships

- Class Members are eligible for one bursary. A Class Member may select one (1) eligible individual, other
 than themself, to apply for the bursary. As outlined by the court, if you have already successfully
 designated your bursary, you are no longer eligible to apply.
- An applicant may be named by more than one Class Member to receive the bursary.
- This bursary is valued at \$2,500 CAD as of program year 2021-2022, payable to the applicant (an increase of \$1,200 CAD from previous years).
- Previous recipients of the bursary valued at \$1,300 are eligible to receive an additional \$1,200.

Eligibility

An **eligible applicant** is a Class Member of the above noted court order **OR** a Class Member's spouse, child, grandchild, niece, nephew, son-in-law or daughter-in-law as selected by the Class Member. A Class Member's child, grandchild, niece or nephew can be a:

- biological child:
- legally adopted child;
- stepchild;
- common-law child;
- ward in legal guardianship.

The eligible applicant must have pursued post-secondary studies sometime over the last five academic



years (2019-2020 to 2023-2024).

If a Class Member is deceased, the official representative of the estate of the deceased may designate an applicant through the official declaration established in the settlement payment process. Information regarding the declaration process can be obtained by contacting Universities Canada (see page 4).

Eligible institutions

 An eligible institution is an institution in Canada including CÉGEPs, Career Colleges and Vocational/Technical Schools listed in the Directory of Universities, Colleges and Schools in the Provinces and Territories of Canada of the Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (CICIC).

Field of Study / Program Requirements

- Studies must be at the post-secondary level and applicable towards a degree program (e.g. bachelor's, master's or doctorate), a professional degree program (e.g. education, law, medicine), a diploma/CEGEP program or a certificate program. The applicant must be currently enrolled in part-time or full-time post-secondary studies OR have been enrolled in part-time or full-time post-secondary studies at any time between the academic years of 2019-2020 and 2023-2024.
- Studies may be on-site, by correspondence, distance education or online.
- There are no restrictions on the field of study or discipline.

An eligible program is:

- a qualified educational program as defined by Canada Revenue Agency. It must run for at least three
 consecutive weeks and requires the applicant to spend at least ten hours a week throughout its duration on
 course work (including lecture time, practical training, laboratory work, research, and work assignments); or
- a specified educational program as defined by Canada Revenue Agency. It must require the applicant to spend not less than 12 hours per month on course work (including lecture time, practical training, laboratory work, research, and work assignments).

Conditions / Restrictions

- If an application for a bursary is deemed ineligible for payment for any reason, the Class Member will be able to either:
 - a) appoint a new applicant, provided the program requirements are met; OR
 - b) re-apply in a subsequent year.

Payment

- Following successful application for the bursary as outlined in the program guidelines, recipients should receive payment within eight weeks.
- Universities Canada will forward payment of the bursary by electronic fund transfer (EFT) to the bank account



provided by the applicant.

- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that payment of tuition fees is made within the defined timeframe set by the educational institution regardless of the timing of the bursary payment.
- Bursary recipients will receive a T4A form from Universities Canada showing the full amount of the bursary paid to them during a calendar year. T4As will be available online in February of the next calendar year.

Application Process

The student is considered the owner of the application and must be eligible for the scholarship according to the program guidelines. The application must be completed and submitted by the student. Please add awards@univcan.ca to safe senders in your junk email options so that you continue to receive important messages from Scholarship Partners Canada (SPC).

Note: In compliance with Privacy Law, information about a student's application will not be released to anyone who has not been specifically authorized by the student. Third parties (parents, guardians, etc.) may contact SPC on behalf of the student, in person, by phone, or by email, to receive information about the application but only if authorized on the account. To add an individual to the file, the student must complete the "Access to File" section of the application.

Online Application

- 1. Class Members must log in to https://portal.scholarshippartners.ca/welcome/en-veteran/ using their service number and password.
- 2. Class Members must designate an eligible applicant or apply for the bursary themselves.
- 3. Applicants must complete the application process as instructed online. As part of the process, they will be required to provide a valid email address.
- 4. If designating someone else for the bursary, the applicant and the Class Member must each have aunique email address.
- 5. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all supporting documents have been received and accepted. This can be done through the online portal.
- 6. The application and supporting documentation, must be submitted to Universities Canada by July 2, 2024.

November 13, 2023: Program Launch Day - program is open for applications:

- Class Members are notified of the launch. Class Members are encouraged to log in to their online
 account at https://portal.scholarshippartners.ca/welcome/en-veteran/ to verify their contact information
 as well as review the program guidelines.
- Class Members will log in to their online account and assign (if applicable) the bursary to the applicant.
 The applicant assigned by the Class Member will receive an email at the email address provided with instructions to complete the application.

Before July 2, 2024

• The applicant must complete their application by sending in all required supporting documentation, as described in the Supporting Documentation section. It is the applicant's responsibility to review their online account to ensure that all supporting documents have been received and accepted at https://portal.scholarshippartners.ca/welcome/en-veteran/.



Once all documentation is received and accepted

• The application is reviewed for eligibility by Universities Canada.

Once the application is approved

• Universities Canada issues the bursary payment to the applicant by electronic fund transfer (EFT).

Supporting Documentation

To complete the application the supporting documentation described below is required. If any of these documents are not received and accepted, the application will be considered incomplete and will not be evaluated. **Supporting documents must be received by Universities Canada on or before July 2, 2024.** Documents can be uploaded together with the online application or sent directly to the address below.

Proof of Registration

Please provide proof of registration (tuition invoice, timetable, transcript or letter from the Registrar's Office) confirming that you are currently, or were registered, as a full-time or a part-time student, in an eligible program at an eligible institution, at any time within the last five academic years (between the 2019-2020 and 2023-2024 academic years). Documentation must include your name, student number, school name and/or logo and indicate the dates of enrollment.

Documentation from the academic institution (i.e. the Registrar) or from a student web account will be accepted, provided that the documentation also includes the URL from which the webpage originated.

Social Insurance Number (SIN)

Please complete the **SIN section of the application**. Your SIN is used to issue a T4A form at the end of the tax year.

Banking Information

A void cheque or direct deposit in the student's name from a Canadian financial institution

Documents must be uploaded by submitting an online application or sent directly to the email address below by 1:00 PM EST July 2, 2024.

PLEASE NOTE: If any of the requirements noted above are not met, the application will be considered incomplete. Deadline extensions will not be granted.

Administrator

Scholarship Partners Canada, a division of Universities Canada, administers the bursary program as outlined in the Court Order noted above. Universities Canada's mandate is to facilitate the development of public policy on higher education and to encourage cooperation among universities and governments, industry, communities, and institutions in other countries. Universities Canada is associated with leading firms in nearly every sector of the economy through its provision of scholarship services and management of more than 140 different scholarships programs on behalf of corporations, government agencies and private foundations throughout North America. For additional information, please visit www.univcan.ca.

Veterans Bursary Program 2023 Program Guidelines



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