

2025-26 ONE WORLD INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The One World International Scholarship program supports students who have been accepted into an international experience program outside of Canada or the USA* that is either:

- i. An academic program, where credit(s) will be earned and recognised by the student's home institution; OR
- ii. A language, cultural training, or experiential learning program that does not result in academic credit(s).

One World International Scholarships range in value from \$2,000 to \$5,000. Applicants engaging in international experience programs that result in academic credit(s) (see i. above) are eligible for scholarships valued between \$2,000 and \$5,000, with the exact amount determined by the institution. Applicants engaging in international experience programs not resulting in academic credit(s) (see ii. above) are eligible for scholarships valued at \$2,000.

Eligibility

For all One World International Scholarships, eligible students are those who:

1. are Canadian citizens, permanent residents, Convention refugees, or Protected Persons living in Canada;
2. are currently enrolled at a public post-secondary institution in British Columbia as a full-time student (as defined by the institution);
3. have been accepted into an international experience program:
 - i. for a period of two weeks or longer (not including travel time);
 - ii. beginning before May 1, 2026;
 - iii. that is not within a country which the applicant emigrated from within the past 5 years; and
 - iv. that is not within the United States (First Nations, Metis, and Inuk applicants excepted*);
4. have demonstrated a link between the international experience program and their educational and/or career goals; and
5. have not previously received a One World International Scholarship or a Premier's International Scholarship.

**First Nations, Métis, and Inuk students are eligible to participate in study programs offered by credit-granting institutions in the USA.*

Application

Applicants to the One World International Scholarship program are required to submit:

1. Unofficial transcripts of all post-secondary studies to date;
2. A completed application form; and
3. A completed reference form (found on the last page of the application form), provided by an individual who can comment on the applicant's accomplishments, character, and motivations as well as confirm participation in community and/or school activities.

Complete application packages are to be submitted **directly to the Study Abroad Office or Financial Aid & Awards Office at your institution**. Please contact the appropriate office at your institution for further instructions on submission procedures and deadlines.

1. Contact information

First name:

Province:

Last name:

Postal code:

Street address:

Cell number:

City/Town:

Personal email:

2. Academic background

Current academic program at your home institution:

Start date:

Expected graduation date:

3. International experience

Destination country:

Institution/Organization and/or Program name:

Program start date:

Program end date:

Will you earn credits towards completion of your BC credentials through your international experience?

Yes

No

Have you participated in an international experience before? Briefly outline the name of the program(s), country, duration, and approximate dates.

4. Volunteer experience

List examples of volunteer and community activities that you have participated in over the past three years. Do not include paid work or service that is required as part of an academic program.

	Organization	Role/activity	Brief description of duties	Hours per month	Start & end dates (MM/YY)
1					
2					
3					

If circumstances prevented you from volunteering in your community and/or school (for example, family/employment responsibilities, health condition), please explain the reasons below.

5. About You

Why have you chosen this country and program for your international experience? How does this relate to your educational and career goals?

What personal qualities and experience do you have that will help you be successful in your international experience?

What do you expect to learn from this international experience, and how will you apply these lessons upon your return to Canada?

6. Declaration

I confirm that I am applying to the BC Scholarship Society (the “Society”) for a One World International Scholarship and certify that the information I have provided in this application is true and complete and that I meet the eligibility criteria.

I authorize the Society and its agents to verify the information contained in this application, and in any supporting documentation I have supplied, with (1) relevant post-secondary educational institution(s) within and outside of British Columbia, (2) the reference I have identified. I further consent to the release of information from those sources that may be approached by the Society to verify the information I have provided.

I understand that all documents submitted to the Society as a part of my application become the property of the Society and will not be returned to me regardless of the outcome of my application.

I understand that the Society relies on award recipients to assist in the promotion of its scholarship programs. Therefore, should I be a successful applicant, I consent to the publishing of my name in support of the Society’s promotional efforts.

Signature:

Print name:

Date:

REFERENCE FORM

Applicant full name:

Referee full name:

Relationship to applicant:

Note to referees: The adjudication committee relies on references to assess the consistency and depth of an applicant's community involvement. The quality and accuracy of each reference is very important to the candidate's application. Information about the BC Scholarship Society's awards programs can be found at www.bcscholarshipsociety.ca.

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

2. How would you describe the applicant's character?

3. Describe what you know of the applicant's volunteer activities. What community activities have they regularly and consistently participated?

4. Describe how you know of the applicant's activities in general, including involvement with peers, leadership roles taken, abilities, employment, family obligations, etc.

Referee signature: