



GUIDELINES

The Olympia's Gift Scholarship Fund is committed to empowering students of African descent pursuing post-secondary studies in business or entrepreneurship. The fund offers scholarships to help cover tuition. Awards are granted based on merit.

Here's what you need to know.

NUMBER, VALUE, AND DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Six scholarships, each valued at \$2,500 Canadian for one academic year, are available to eligible students pursuing their first bachelor's degree or first diploma-level program.

Note: Only the first 25 submitted applications will be accepted for consideration for the scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible if you:

- Are of African descent (have at least one parent whose ancestry originates in the Black ethnic groups of Africa, including Afro-Caribbean and Black Latin America)
- Are starting or continuing studies in a field related to business or entrepreneurship, including (but not limited to) commerce, finance, accounting, economics, management, and marketing.
- Are entering or returning to full-time studies in a first bachelor or diploma program in the 2026-2027 academic year.
- Have a minimum cumulative average of 80% or equivalent over the last three terms of available marks.

ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS

You can study at Canadian institutions that have recognized degree, diploma granting powers or their affiliates (e.g., universities, colleges, CEGEP technical diploma)



FIELDS OF STUDY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Your program of study must be in a field related to business or entrepreneurship, including (but not limited to) commerce, finance, accounting, economics, management, and marketing. Your program must be a minimum of two years in duration.

University preparatory programs such as CEGEP pre-university diplomas are not eligible.

CONDITIONS/RESTRICTIONS

- Students who have previously received a scholarship from Olympia's Gift Scholarship Fund are eligible to re-apply up to four times.
- If you start post-secondary studies in January, you are eligible for the spring competition of the same year.
- You may have taken up to two years off after high school or CEGEP (Province of Quebec) before starting university or college studies as long as you haven't enrolled in any post-secondary courses during this time.
- Olympia's Gift Scholarship Fund retains the right to change or end the sponsorship of the scholarship plan without notice.

HOW TO APPLY?

To apply for the scholarship, please submit an online application no later than **1:00 PM EST, May 14, 2026**, by visiting <https://portal.scholarshippartners.ca/welcome/OlympiasGift/>

Remember, the application must be completed and submitted by you and not by your parent or guardian. If you have any questions, please contact SPC at: <https://spc.univcan.ca/>

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- Both an academic and an extracurricular reference form from someone not related to you;
- Transcripts of the last three terms of available marks. Home school grades will only be accepted if they have been validated through a recognized independent evaluation process.
- You will be asked to provide a 350-word essay outline:



“Share your educational and career goals. How do you plan to achieve them, and how will the scholarship support your aspirations? Highlight your proudest accomplishments and how they have influenced your goals. “

Detailed instructions can be found in the application. Remember, your application must be complete to be evaluated, and deadline extensions will not be granted.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applications are assessed on academic performance, essay submission, and content and relevance of the reference form.

Preference will be given to students planning to enter their first or second year in the first program of study.

SELECTION PROCESS

A selection committee of Canadian university and college representatives, chosen by Scholarship Partners Canada (SPC) will review the applications.

Olympia's Gift Scholarship Fund will select the recipients based on the recommendation of the selection committee.

All applicants will receive the results of the selection process by email, once available.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

You will receive scholarship confirmation in **August**. When you receive your confirmation, complete the online acceptance process and submit any necessary documentation, which includes proof of registration from your educational institution.

Successful applicants should also note that their names, biographical information, and photographs may be used in promotional initiatives for Olympia's Gift Scholarship Fund.



SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT

Payment will be made after the acceptance process and document review. It can take 6 to 8 weeks, depending on the method of payment chosen. Funds will be sent to your educational institution on behalf of the sponsor. If studying abroad, payment will be made to your Canadian address in Canadian funds.

Please make sure to pay your tuition fees within the defined time frame, regardless of the timing of scholarship payment. Your institution will reimburse you according to their normal practices.

We will communicate with you through your student portal account. Be sure to keep contact information up to date and to notify us of any changes.

Olympia's Gift Scholarship Fund has entrusted the administration of its scholarship program to SPC, a division of Universities Canada. We administer over 140 scholarship programs for corporations, government agencies, and private foundations in North America and are affiliated with top companies in almost every sector of the economy. For more details, please visit www.univcan.ca.

SCHOLARSHIP PARTNERS CANADA

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