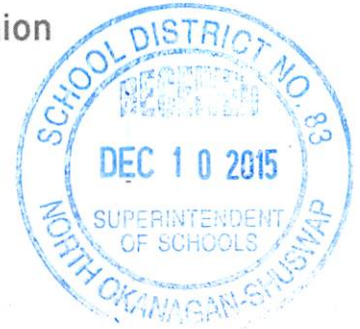




B.C. Government and Service Employees' Union
A component of NUPGE (CLC)



December 3, 2015

Attention: Scholarship Contact

Dear Sir/Madam

The BC Government and Service Employees' Union is offering scholarships again this year to students who are related to BCGEU members and who are entering recognized programs in post-secondary institutions in 2016.

We are pleased to advise that our scholarship program will be open to both full and part-time students with a total of \$45,000 being awarded. \$3,000 will be awarded to full-time students and \$2,000 to part-time students.

Please note we recognize students with an IEP (Individual Education Plan) may want to enter post-secondary programs but find it difficult to write the answers to the two essay questions provided in the application. As such, we are allowing those students to submit their answers using an audio format.

Details of our Scholarship Program, including eligibility requirements and application information, are outlined in the attached brochure or applicants can visit the BCGEU website here: http://bcgeu.ca/member_resources_scholar. Applications must be submitted online by **Monday, February 29, 2016 at 5:00 pm.**

Please circulate this information.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephanie Smith".

Stephanie Smith
President

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Detailed Criteria:

1. Deadline for receipt of applications is **Monday, February 29, 2016 at 5:00 pm**. Late applications will not be considered.
2. All applications must be submitted **online**. Hard copies will not be considered.
3. Please review the Scholarship Program FAQ here http://bcgeu.ca/member_resources_scholar for common questions and answers.
4. Please forward any other questions about scholarship applications to the BCGEU Education Department by phone at 604-291-9611 or 1-800-663-1674 or email scholarship@bcgeu.ca
5. Students with an IEP (Individual Education Plan) may alternatively use an audio format to answer the two essay questions provided in the application if required.



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How to apply:

1. Fill out the **online** Scholarship Application Form here:
http://bcgeu.ca/member_resources_scholar
2. Please ensure no identifying information, such as name/relative name, is listed in any area other than Part 1 and 2 of the application form. *Note: You should have your member/relative contact and worksite information ready to go before you start filling out the form.*

NOTE: Part 4 will require you to answer two labour based essay questions. In order for you to prepare, the questions are provided below. Be advised, if you go back your work may be lost. The following questions must be 250-275 words each:

- a) **With today's diverse workforce, what can unions do to be more inclusive in encouraging leadership opportunities for equity groups such as workers of colour, workers with a disability, LGBTQ, aboriginal and women?**
- b) **Describe how and why occupational health and safety is important to all workers and the union?**

**Winners are selected based on the two essay questions within the application.*

3. Only scholarship winners will be contacted and winning names will be posted to the BCGEU website in the spring (April/May). Winners will not be awarded money until proof of post-secondary registration is received.

The B.C. Government and Service Employees' Union is offering \$45,000 in scholarship awards to students (\$3,000.00 to full-time students and \$2,000.00 to part-time students) who are members or relatives of BCGEU members or staff.

Who is eligible?

The BC Government and Service Employees' Union is offering \$45,000 in scholarship awards, \$3,000.00 for full-time students and \$2,000.00 for part-time students who are BCGEU members or relatives of BCGEU members or staff.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

1. Members of the BCGEU in good standing are eligible to apply.
2. Relatives of BCGEU members or staff in good standing or relatives of deceased or retired members are eligible to apply. Definition of a relative: a spouse of same or opposite sex, parent, child, including a step-child/grandchild or foster child, brother, sister or grandchild.
3. Canadian citizen or landed immigrant. Applicants must be registering in either full-time or part-time post-secondary programs at a Canadian educational institution listed with HRSDC Canada (<http://tools.canlearn.ca/cs/lgs-scpse/cln-cln/reea-mdl/reea-mdl-1-eng.do?nom-name=BC>) for 2016.
4. Previous BCGEU scholarship winners are **not** eligible.

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