



EFCC BURSARY APPLICATION GUIDELINES

PURPOSE: Because we are the body of Christ and thereby designed to help one another, as part of the ministry of the EFCC, financial assistance for post-secondary training may sometimes be provided to individuals who are experiencing financial need to complete their education.

COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION: As part of the application, the EFCC is required to collect your personal information including but not limited to your legal name, your current mailing address, your current phone number, and your Social Insurance Number (SIN). The EFCC is required to report any educational funding to the CRA. T4As will be issued to successful candidates for any funds issued from the previous tax year. Personal information not required to be kept for CRA purposes will be destroyed within a 12-month period.

HOW FUNDS ARE AWARDED: The EFCC Scholarship Committee is responsible for administering funds to those who apply for the EFCC Bursary. The committee will review applicants and will award funds based on their assessment of eligibility and need. There are a limited number of bursaries available annually. Applications must be submitted for each academic year and subsequent bursaries are not guaranteed.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY: Any person who has been accepted to or is a current student, full-time and in-person, in an approved program of study at an EFCC-approved post-secondary institution (see table below) may apply. “Full-time student” is defined as any student who is taking a minimum of 9 credit hours per semester. Current students taking less than 9 credit hours per semester are not eligible for this Bursary. The applicant must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada.

APPROVED SCHOOLS	APPROVED PROGRAMS OF STUDY
PRAIRIE COLLEGE	Christian Formation & Counselling (Dip, BA)
	Intercultural Studies (BA)
	Pastoral Ministry (Dip, BA)
	Youth Ministry (Dip, BA)
STEINBACH BIBLE COLLEGE	BA Biblical Studies - Pastoral minor/focus
	BA Biblical Studies - Intercultural minor/focus
	BA Biblical Studies - Youth minor/focus
	BA Biblical Studies - Worship minor/focus

HOW TO APPLY:

To fill out the online form, click this link:

<https://forms.gle/ExP4DtyGrGfuReMY8>

A paper form can be requested from the EFCC Home Office by mail, phone call, or email.

Supporting Documents Required with Application:

- Pastoral Reference Letter
- Copy of Current/Most Recent Grades/GPA

The supporting documents can be received electronically in PDF format by the download portal in the online form or by emailing scholarships@efcc.ca.

Supporting documents can also be sent by mail to:

Evangelical Free Church of Canada
ATTENTION: SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
BOX 850 Langley Station LCD1
Langley, BC V3A 8S6

APPLICATION TIMELINE: Applications will be accepted from March 1 to June 1 for the school term starting in the fall. Applications received after June 1 may be considered, based on the availability of funds. Applicants should hear from the Home Office whether they have been awarded funds by June 30.

PROCESSING OF APPLICATION: The Bursary will be open for applications from March 1 - June 1 each year. All application materials, including all supporting documents, whether submitted online or by mail, must be received by June 1. Following the deadline, the committee will begin their review of the complete applications. Incomplete applications will not be considered. We strongly recommend uploading your supporting documents (.pdf) when you fill out the online form or emailing supporting documents to scholarships@efcc.ca the same day. If sending an application via standard mail, please ensure you leave a two-week window to allow for successful receipt in our office. Applicants with completed applications will be contacted by Home Office via mail or email whether they have been awarded funds or not.

As part of our policy, a Scholarship Committee member may reach out to ask successful candidates to participate in a short interview with the Scholarship Committee or a Scholarship Committee member before funds are awarded. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to request additional documentation including but not limited to references or grades during the process. Awarded applicants' first and last names will be published on the EFCC website and EFCC Home Office may request a current photo to accompany their name.

PAYMENT: EFCC Bursary funds will be paid directly to the approved educational institution which will then transfer them to the successful applicant's account. A partnering amount will be paid by the educational institution to the successful applicant's account. The EFCC Scholarship Committee will also reach out to the applicant's home church advising them of the opportunity to contribute to these funds.

These funds are not deferrable. If the applicant switches programs to one not on the approved list, or switches institutions, the funds from both EFCC and the institution will be rescinded, and the applicant will owe the new balance of tuition to the institution. If an awarded student drops out of their program during the year for which funds were awarded or drops below the 9 credit hours minimum, the funds from both EFCC and the institution will be rescinded, and the applicant will be required to pay the difference of what is owed to the institution.