



2025 Kamloops Immigrant Services Educational Bursary

Applications accepted until from May 1st to June 15th, 2025

The KIS Educational Bursary Fund was created in Memory of Paul Lagacé, the agency's Executive Director from 2011 to 2018. Paul brought stability, expansion of services and growth to KIS, consolidating a strong foundation to continue providing essential services to New Canadians. His guidance to afford as much Respect, Wisdom, Generosity, Honesty, Humility, Courage and Fortitude as possible in all dealings with others, leaves an enduring legacy in our community.

To honor Paul's passion for education, the fund will help Newcomer, Naturalized Citizen and First Generation Canadian Students residing in the Thompson-Nicola Region during their first and second year of a first degree, be it a bachelor or diploma, in any discipline, at any Canadian registered Colleges or Universities.

Thanks to the generous monetary donations from our supporters, this year **two bursaries of \$1,000.00** for a one year award.

Applicants are requested to fill out the attached application form and provide all the information required. Please ensure that a character reference letter is submitted with your signed application, and that all supporting material is enclosed (copies are acceptable as applications will not be returned).

Applications will be accepted from **May 1st, 2025 to June 15th, 2025** and must be submitted via email at: kis@immigrantservices.ca by fax at: 778-470-6102 or via regular mail at: 448 Tranquille Rd. Kamloops BC V2C 3H2

Announcement of the two successful recipients will be made **June 28th, 2025**.

Please note the following:

- Candidates cannot be employees, family of employees, or Board members of KCRIS.
- KIS staff is unable to provide character reference letters for applicants.
- Permanent Residents, Naturalized Citizen and 1st Generation Canadian who live in the Thompson-Nicola region can apply
- The bursary is awarded upon proof of registration from the institution's registrar, and will be disbursed directly to the educational institution.
- Successful recipients are welcome to re-apply in subsequent years.
- Should you withdraw from the educational institution, please contact KIS to discuss your options.



2025 Kamloops Immigrant Services Educational Bursary Application form

Please complete, sign and submit this form to apply for the Kamloops Immigrant Services (KIS) Educational Bursary.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Mailing address: _____

Status in Canada: _____ Date of Birth: _____

If you are 1st Canadian Citizen, what is your parents status? _____

It is not a criteria, however, may we ask if you or your parents are current or former clients of the agency?

Yes No

The two winners of the Bursary will be notified on June 28th. We ask the winners to sign a "Photo and Video Waiver/Release" form. Funding must be used within 8 months of award. If your contact information changes, please remember to update KIS.

1. Briefly describe the education or training you have completed so far, in Canada or in another country.

2. What work experience or volunteer work have you done?



Please outline the institution you hope to attend and the program you have selected for your academic development and explain why you have chosen this field of study.

How long is the program you have selected in duration? _____

Do you plan to attend: Full-time Part-time

Will you be able to work during your studies? Yes No

Tell us where do you see yourself in five years?

What semester are you planning to register for? (i.e., fall of 2025, winter 2026) _____



Application Checklist

Before you send this, please check to make sure you have:

- Completed the application form
- Attached one character reference letter
- Proof of registration from the educational institution
- Copy of your PR card, Citizenship or Birth Certificate

Signature of Applicant

Date Submitted

Completed applications can be faxed, emailed or mailed

Please note the applications are viewed by the bursary committee and the information provided is kept confidential.