

ATHABASCA UNIVERSITY ACCESS TO STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES TECHNOLOGY & SUPPORT SERVICE BURSARY

Donor: Athabasca University

Value: Varies – Maximum individual bursary will not exceed \$3,000

Number: Varies

Description of Bursary

The AU Access to Students with Disabilities Technology & Support Services Bursary is intended to financially assist AU program students (undergraduate or graduate) who have an identified learning, physical, or psychiatric disability and have a verified need for assistive technology or support services. A disability is a functional limitation resulting from a physical, sensory, or psychiatric impairment, which, for an indefinite period, affects the ability of the student to perform the activities necessary to participate fully in post-secondary learning.

Conditions of Eligibility

An applicant must meet the following criteria to be eligible to apply for this award:

- Be a current Athabasca University undergraduate or graduate program student.
- Have an identified learning, physical, or psychiatric disability, as defined in the description above.
- Student must be registered with the AU – Access for Students with Disabilities Office.
- Lack of availability of alternative funding sources or unmet need.
- Demonstrate of financial need
- Verified need for technology and/or support services as determined by the Assistive Technologist, or the ASD office
- A vendor quotation that supports the requests for ASD technology or support service expenditures

Preference will be given to students who are not eligible for alternative funding sources via the 'Canada Studies Grant for Students with Disabilities'. Proof of application, approval and/or denial is required.

Students awarded the AU Access to Students with Disabilities Technology & Support Services Bursary will be required to provide receipt(s) for proof of purchase of equipment or services within one month of receipt of the bursary notification.

Application Instructions

Submit your application here [Student Awards Application Submission](#) Or navigate back to the award listing to submit.

Email your vendor quotation for assistive technology or support services and proof of application, approval or denial of the 'Canada Studies Grant for Students with Disabilities' to: awardsapplication@athabascau.ca

Incomplete application packages without required attachments will not be considered for review.

Application Submission Deadline

Ongoing - Monthly

Bursary Notification

Successful applicants should expect to be notified within one month of the selection committee convening to choose recipients.

Questions?

Visit the Athabasca University Awards website located at: <http://www.athabascau.ca/registrar/studawrds.php> Email your inquiries to: awardsinfo@athabascau.ca or call toll free 1-800-788-9041 extension 6197 or 780-675-6197.



APPLICATION FORM FOR ATHABASCA UNIVERSITY ACCESS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES TECHNOLOGY & SUPPORT SERVICES BURSARY

Before completing this application form, please ensure that you meet all the eligibility criteria and that you can demonstrate the qualities we are looking for in the selection criteria.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Athabasca University Student Identification Number:

Social Insurance Number:

Last Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Mailing Address:

Mailing Address 2:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Country:

Primary Telephone Number:

Alternate Telephone Number:

Email Address:

B. CURRENT POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION INFORMATION

Complete all the information requested below. Information will be verified with your student record and other sources, if required.

Provide the month and year that you began studies at Athabasca University:

In which undergraduate program are you enrolled?

How many Athabasca University credits do you require to complete the program of study in which you are enrolled?



What is your cumulative program GPA? (Go to myAU portal, click on “Request Transcript”, click on “Preview” to view your GPA)

C. NATURE OF DISABILITY

What is the status of your disabling condition? Permanent Temporary

- Learning disability
- Hearing loss or deaf
- Vision loss or blind
- Psychiatric/psychological
- Attention deficit
- Chronic medical/systemic/neurological
- Physical (mobility/dexterity)
- Other: (specify)

Have you ensured that documentation of your disabling condition is on file at the Athabasca University Access to Students with Disabilities Office? No Yes

If no, contact Access to Students with Disabilities at 1-800-788-9041 ext. 3424 or by TTY/TDD 1-800-788-9041 ext 2059.

What are your learning limitations due to your disabling condition?

Describe the type of technology or support services you require and explain how it will assist you in your learning. Include the estimate for the costs of the technology or support services. **Email the quotation to: awardsapplication@athabascau.ca**

D. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Are you employed? No Yes

If yes, does your employer pay for your tuition or subsidize your education? No Yes

If yes, use the space below to explain the percentage your education is subsidized and to provide a brief explanation of the tuition payment/subsidization arrangement that you have with your employer:

Provide the number and ages of the dependent children for which you are legally responsible and that are living with you:

Provide an explanation of other dependents for which you are legally responsible and that are living with you:



Following is a list of allowable monthly costs. Select the marital status that best describes your situation.

| Allowable Monthly Costs | | |
|---|--|--|
| Your Household Status | Monthly Allowable Expenses Rent/Mortgage, Utilities, Food, Transportation | Total Monthly Costs you are claiming – Tick one line only |
| Single student living at home | \$539 | \$539 |
| Single student living away | \$1,128 | \$1,128 |
| Single parent – one child | \$1,991 | \$1,991 |
| Single parent – two children | \$2,583 | \$2,583 |
| Single parent – three children | \$3,175 | \$3,175 |
| Married/common law – no children | \$2,174 | \$2,174 |
| Married/common law – one child | \$2,766 | \$2,766 |
| Married/common law – two children | \$3,358 | \$3,358 |
| Married/common law – three children | \$3,950 | \$3,950 |
| For each additional child beyond three, add \$ 592 | Type the monthly additional child amount in the cell to the right (number of additional children x \$ 592) | |
| Child care/babysitting | Type the monthly amount paid for child care/babysitting in the cell to the right using one of the two formulas below: Allowable child care/babysitting cost is \$ 365 per month per child without receipts Actual child care/babysitting costs may be considered with receipts up to a maximum of \$ 1,000 per month per child. | |



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| | Provide receipts with application. | |
| Child support payment | Type the monthly amount of payment in the cell to the right | |
| Tuition and education fees | Determine the amount paid for tuition and education fees in the last year and divide by 12. Type the monthly amount in the cell to the right | |
| Education supplies, equipment | Calculate the amount paid for education supplies/equipment in the last year and divide by 12. Type the monthly amount in the cell to the right. | |
| Total expenses | Add the applicable total household status amount, additional child allowance, child care - babysitting, child support payment, tuition, education fees, and supplies/ equipment costs and type the total in the cell to the right. | |

Provide a **monthly** dollar value for the income resources listed in the table below (tab to adjacent column to enter amount). The monthly dollar value can be determined by dividing any annual gross amounts by 12:

| Monthly Income or Resources | |
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| Wages or salaries net income for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Spouse's or partners monthly net income for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter monthly amount in the space to the right: | |



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| Assistance from others for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Band funding for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Training allowance for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Employment insurance (EI) benefits for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Social Assistance benefits for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Assured income for the severely handicapped (AISH) for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Workers' compensation benefits for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Alimony and/or child support for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Disability benefit: for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Orphans benefit for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Federal student loans for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Provincial student loans for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Scholarships, grants, etc. for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Other monthly resources (children's benefits, pensions, rental property, business). Do not include CTB, GST Credit, and Income Tax refunds for the previous 12 months. Type in the shaded box below to list other resource(s) and amounts. Divide by total other resources by 12 and enter the monthly amount in the space to the right: | |
| Total monthly income or resources | |

Provide an explanation of resources available to you that could potentially assist with funding your education (savings in bank, retirement savings plan, assets, and so forth):



E. ADDITIONAL QUALIFYING INFORMATION

Are you eligible for other sources of funding such as the Canadian Studies Grant for Students with Disabilities?

No Yes *Proof of application, approval and/or denial is required and should be emailed to **awardsapplication@athabascau.ca** along with your vendor quotation.*

Have you applied to associations connected with your disabling condition to obtain the financial support to complete your education? No Yes

If no, explain why not, and if yes, what were the actions you took and the results?

The following documentation will support your application:

- A federal and/or provincial student finance Notice of Assessment(s) for the current term required if you received government student loans, or
- A recent Revenue Canada Notice of Assessment, or
- A recent Employment Insurance or Social Assistance statement required if applicable to your application.

F. REQUIRED CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE

I certify that the information provided in this application and in the accompanying documentation is true, accurate and complete. I authorize the provision of any information held or to be held by Athabasca University, and others relating to my application, including but not limited to personal evaluations and transcripts, to the Student Awards Unit of Athabasca University and the Selection Committee chosen for this bursary. I understand and accept that: (1) such information will be used by the Student Awards Unit and the bursary selection committee of Athabasca University for the purposes of selection; (2) Athabasca University will not release application evaluation or the results of the evaluation process, except to inform me if my application has been accepted for an award; and (3) for all questions regarding my personal information held on file by the Athabasca University, including updates thereof, I may reach an Athabasca University representative through the contact information provided within this bursary package. Finally, if my application is selected for this bursary, I will: (1) provide a thank you letter to the Student Awards Unit of Athabasca University to be forwarded to the donor of the bursary.

Name of Applicant:

Date:

Your personal information is collected under the authority of section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. F-25 and the Post-Secondary Learning Act, S.A. 2003, c. P-19.5.