# ♦ MCC MANITOBA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## **APPLICATION PACKET**

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### HOW TO APPLY:

1. Complete the *Application Form* (including the essay requirement) and send to: Joni Sawatzky at manitoba@mccmb.ca (Attn: MCCM Scholarship Application)

or

Joni Sawatzky MCC Manitoba Scholarship Fund 100-140 Bannatyne Avenue Winnipeg, MB R3B 3C5

Applications must be received by <u>September 30, 2023</u> to be considered. The scholarship is awarded for studies in the 2021-2022 academic year. All applicants will be notified of the outcome in October.

2. Insert your name on the *Request for a Letter of Reference*, and forward the *Request for a Letter of Reference* and *Information Page* to each of the two references indicated on your application form. Note that references should be faculty or academic references.

Encourage them to send their letters of reference (signed and on official letterhead) directly to MCC Manitoba either by mail or email (Attn: MCCM Scholarship Reference).

If you are including the print letter with your application, the letter must be on official university letterhead with the referee's signature in a separate, sealed envelope (referee to sign the seal of the envelope).

#### ELIGIBILITY:

Scholarships will be awarded to a student who is:

- A Canadian citizen, permanent resident or international student studying at a Canadian university in Manitoba
- Entering or continuing full-time studies (minimum of 18 credit hours per academic year)
- Enrolled in a degree program or courses that align with MCC's areas of focus in relief, development, peace, climate change mitigation adaptation, restorative justice or reconciliation
- Engaged with their community through service or volunteerism
- · Not a current MCC staff or child of current MCC staff



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## **APPLICATION FORM**

NAME:
ADDRESS:
EMAIL ADDRESS:
PHONE NUMBER:
The bursary will be used to support study at (name and address of school):
Program and Department/Specialization:
High school diploma conferred at (name and address of high school):
Name and address of two (2) faculty/teacher references*:

Applicants are required to submit a 500-750 word written essay or a 2-3 minute video essay that outlines how their education and career goals contribute to the work of MCC, locally or globally. In the essay, students must give evidence of their committment to community engagement, service or volunteerism and discuss how their education and career objectives connect with one or more of the following focus areas of MCC's work: relief, development, peace, climate change mitigation/adaptation, restorative justice or reconciliation.

Students who submit an application consent to receive further email and print communications from MCC Manitoba about student opportunities such as, but not limited to: student seminars, events, programs like Serving and Learning Together (SALT) and job, volunteer and practicum opportunities.

Submit completed application to manitoba@mccmb.ca (Attn: MCCM Scholarship Application) or mail to address indicated on page 1.



## **REQUEST FOR A LETTER OF REFERENCE**

(name) has made an application for the MCC Manitoba

Scholarship Fund (information page included) and you have been listed as a faculty or academic reference. The attached document outlines the selection criteria, as well as the purpose of the scholarship.

#### In your letter of reference, please include the following:

- 1. Your honest assessment of the applicant's skills and interests as they relate to the intent of this scholarship
- 2. The name of the institution where the applicant is enrolled and a brief description of the applicant's program of studies
- 3. Your relationship to the applicant
- 4. Your name and address
- 5. Letter on official letterhead with your signature. Sent from your institutional email address, if emailed.

You should feel at liberty to discuss your comments with the applicant if you choose to, but be assured that we will treat your comments with confidentiality.

#### Please send your letter of reference by September 30, 2021 to:

manitoba@mccmb.ca (Attn: MCCM Scholarship Reference)

or

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Thank you for your assistance! If you have any questions, please contact Joni Sawatzky at 204-261-6381 or manitoba@mccmb.ca (Attn: MCCM Sholarship Inquiry).



## **INFORMATION PAGE**

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

MCC Manitoba staff and Board of Directors are pleased to support three scholarships valued at \$1,000 each.

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Must be received by or postmarked by September 30, 2023.

Applications can be filled out online at mccmb.ca/studentawards, or emailed to Joni Sawatzky at manitoba@mccmb.ca (Attn: MCCM Scholarship Application).

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

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#### HISTORY AND PURPOSE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

MCC Manitoba first launched a bursary program and scholarship fund in 2013 as an initiative of the Board of Directors at that time. The scholarships were created because MCC recognized a need to encourage and nurture future leaders and the next generation of change makers.

The scholarships are funded with donations and community sponsorship, and are intended to benefit students whose education and career objectives align with the work of MCC.

