

This Bursary will assist Psychology students who identify as African Nova Scotian, Indigenous, immigrant, having a disability, 2SLGBTQAI+, or other minority in their pursuit of a graduate degree in the profession of Psychology. This is a \$1,000 bursary awarded to an applicant who fulfills the requirements. All applicants will receive a complimentary 1-year APNS student membership and the winner will receive an APNS student membership for as long as they are a psychology student in Nova Scotia (for up to 5 years). Those who have received the bursary in previous years are not eligible to apply. To be considered, the applicant:

1. Must be a Canadian Citizen or permanent resident.
2. Must identify as African Nova Scotian, Indigenous, 2SLGBTQAI+, immigrant, having a disability, or other minority.
3. Must be enrolled at a Nova Scotia university in a graduate degree program in a program approved by the NS Board of Examiners in Psychology (e.g., Dalhousie, MSVU, SMU, Acadia).

The Selection Committee will evaluate the applications on the 3 areas indicated below. Although all are important, financial need is considered the primary factor, followed by community involvement and career goals.

1. Financial need.
2. Current and past community involvement.
3. Career goals and education achievement.

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## APPLICATION FORM

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS AT UNIVERSITY: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_ PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS (if different from above):  
\_\_\_\_\_

INSTITUTION: \_\_\_\_\_ PROGRAM: \_\_\_\_\_ FULL-TIME  PART-TIME

STUDENT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR OF STUDY (2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR): \_\_\_\_\_

IDENTIFY AS:

African Nova Scotian

Immigrant

Indigenous

Other minority (Please specify)

2SLGBTQAI+

Having a disability

DO YOU PLAN TO WORK IN NOVA SCOTIA AFTER YOU COMPLETE YOUR CREDENTIALS?  Yes  No  Undecided

HAVE YOU RECEIVED A STUDENT LOAN FOR ANY OF YOUR DEGREES CURRENTLY OR IN THE PAST?  Yes  No

PLEASE SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY MONETARY AWARDS OR SCHOLARSHIPS  Yes  No

PLEASE SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU HAVE A PART-TIME JOB?  Yes  No PLEASE SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY REQUIREMENTS** *(Please use a separate page and address each Section in a separate paragraph).*

Section 1. Describe your financial pressures and supports as it relates to your education and personal life and any financial circumstances that our selection committee should be aware of. (500-word limit)

Section 2. Describe your current and past involvement in your community (e.g., school, cultural/faith community) and how you intend to give back. (250-word limit)

Section 3. Describe your goals for a career in Psychology. What has led you to choose this career path? Please highlight challenges and successes you have experienced while working towards your goals. (250-word limit)

Section 4. You may add any other information that you think relevant to your application. (250-word limit)

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Please include one letter of reference with this application. The reference letter should describe involvement in your community.

**CONDITIONS**

- All applications are subject to verification of valid registration and satisfactory academic standing at an accredited post-secondary institution.
- Falsification of any information in this application will result in disqualification of the applicant or requirement of repayment of any monies awarded.
- With the exception of names, images, current school attending, anticipated education program, institution of the award recipients, the information contained in this application will be held in confidence.

**AUTHORIZATION**

I authorize my institution to verify to APNS the program that I am currently enrolled in and that I am in good academic standing for the purposes of this bursary application.

Name of my institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of my program: \_\_\_\_\_

I grant the APNS permission to contact me to follow up on my progress.

Successful applicants agree to give permission to APNS for use of their name and photograph in publications promoting the bursary. Students applying, should they be successful in receiving a bursary, will be asked to attend a presentation in their honour.

I certify that all information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to comply with all requirements and criteria of this bursary program. This includes permission to include my name and/or image in press releases and promotional material.

Applicant Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW TO SUBMIT**

Complete all parts of the bursary application form and sent to APNS **no later than 5 pm, Tuesday, April 1, 2025.**

Please submit your application in pdf format and email to: [apns@apns.ca](mailto:apns@apns.ca)

Subject line should indicate: **APNS Diversity Bursary Application.**

For more information or questions, please contact: Claire Halpern, Executive Director [apns@apns.ca](mailto:apns@apns.ca)