



WRMP Scholarship & Mentorship Program



Scholarship Opportunity: Workplace Readiness Scholarship & Mentorship Program

Easter Seals Nova Scotia is pleased to partner with Sun Life to offer one scholarship worth \$1,500 to be awarded to a student in Nova Scotia who is living with disability and who is/will be enrolled at a post-secondary education program (university, college, etc in Nova Scotia) in the Winter 2023 semester. Eligible students are invited to apply to Easter Seals by December 1st, 2022. The successful student will also be paired with a Mentor, who will provide advice, guidance and encouragement to the student for a period of 1 year from January to December 2023.

Purpose and Objective

The scholarship is intended for any person with a physical disability who is currently enrolled in or pursuing post-secondary education. The objective of the scholarship is to help reduce financial barriers for the student as they progress and work towards completing their post-secondary education and assist them in preparing for a successful transition into the workforce.

The scholarship recipient must also agree to participate in a twelve-month mentorship program from January to December 2023, where they will be paired with a volunteer mentor who can provide encouragement, guidance, and support for their studies, and in preparing for summer jobs, internships or part-time jobs and/or assist them in transitioning to the labour force after graduation.

The scholarship recipient must be a resident of Nova Scotia.

Application Process

Scholarship candidates will be reviewed, and qualified and the successful candidate(s) will be selected by a selection committee of Easter Seals Nova Scotia. Decisions are final. Candidates will be given consideration based on the following criteria:

- A resident of Nova Scotia.
- Have a disability.
- Currently attending or will be attending post-secondary education (college, university, vocational/trades program).

Supporting documentation for application:

The following documentation must be submitted with your completed application form:

- A typed, one-page letter from you in which you have outlined why you should be selected for the award. You may include information on scholastic achievement, motivation, initiative, extra-curricular activities, challenges faced and overcome, financial need, and/or any other relevant information that you think would strengthen your application.
- Please indicate in your letter if you are a current or previously registered participant/client in a program offered by Easter Seals. If you are not a current or previously registered participant/client in an Easter Seals program, please include a document/letter from a medical physician, therapist or social worker verifying your disability.
- Documentation confirming that you are currently enrolled or will be enrolled in a post-secondary education in Nova Scotia in Winter 2023.

Important Notes

The successful student will be expected to:

- Participate in a 12-month mentorship program between January to December 2023. The student will meet with the volunteer mentor designated to them, online, for a minimum of approximately one hour per month. The student and mentor can meet more often, if mutually agreed upon.
- Complete a brief survey toward the end of the 12-month mentorship to help assess the value and impact of the mentorship program.

The application form and all supporting documentation must be received by **December 1, 2022** to:

Wanda Sinclair, Director of Development

Easter Seals Nova Scotia
22 Fielding Avenue
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1E2
Email: Wanda.sinclair@easterseals.ns.ca

Please remember to review the application form to ensure all information and supporting letters/documentation is provided. Ensure you keep a copy of the completed form for your files.

If you have any questions, please contact Wanda Sinclair, Director of Development at 902-453-6000 ext. 224 or by email at wanda.sinclair@easterseals.ns.ca

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Application for the Workplace Readiness Mentorship Program Scholarship

Given Name:		Surname/Family Name:
Date of Birth:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	Province:	Postal Code:
Your Email Address:		Phone Number:

Are you currently or have you previously participated in a program offered by Easter Seals:	Yes / No
If you answered 'Yes' to the question above, please indicate in the space below, the location and name of the program that you are currently or previously participated in:	
Are you currently in receipt of an academic scholarship or bursary from any other organization:	Yes / No

Indicate in the space below, the name of the college/university/institution where you are currently or will be enrolled in Winter 2023:	
Indicate in the space below, the name of the program which you are currently or will be enrolled in Winter 2023 (e.g., Bachelor of Science) and your job/career area of interest (e.g., finance, biology, IT).	
Length of Program:	Are you officially enrolled for Winter 2023: Yes / No
	Number of Years to Graduation:

Briefly describe what you would use the \$1,500 scholarship for if you were selected?

Please describe, what types of accessibility accommodations (if any) you would require to participate in the 12-month mentorship program and/or to meet with your designated mentor online each month?

What ways are you able to communicate with your volunteer mentor?

- **Phone:** Yes / No
- **Email:** Yes / No
- **Online video/phone meeting (e.g., Zoom, Teams):** Yes / No

I certify that the information provided in the application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my ability.

Signature of Applicant

Date

If you are a successful scholarship recipient, do you give permission to share your application letter with the scholarship donor: Yes / No

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