



Common Criteria

All Aboriginal Education & Community Connection Awards have the following requirements:

- Aboriginal (First Nations, Métis, Inuit, or Native American) ancestry
- GPA of 2.5 or equivalent^{1,2}
- Completed application form, including all additional criteria

For help in preparing your application, please see www.camosun.ca/aboriginal/awards-apply.html

¹If you aren't sure, ask an Aboriginal Advisor: 250-370-3299 or aboriginal@camosun.bc.ca

²Exception—the Anthony Dawson Justice Award

Due October 15

Allen and Loreen Vandekerkhove Family Foundation Bursary for Aboriginal Health & Human Services Students

We raise our hands to the Allen and Loreen Vanderkerkhove Family Foundation which arranged this ongoing award.

Available to Health or Human Services students; priority given to students who entered Camosun College through the Aboriginal Limited Priority Admissions process.

- Self-written letter outlining student's goals and dreams about working with Aboriginal people in a health or human services-related field.
- Letter of reference from a teacher or community person talking about the student's dedication to education and community wellness.
- Submit proof of grades prior to entering Camosun.
Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in November.

Financial need taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$600-\$700

Anthony Dawson Justice Award

Anthony James Dawson was born September 21, 1969 and tragically lost his life while in police custody on August 13, 1999. He was an accomplished Kwakwa Ka'wakw artist and his passion for life was evident in his artwork. Anthony believed that everyone deserved a fair chance in life, and was willing to help people in any way he could.

This award has been established in Anthony's memory. The Anthony Dawson Justice Award (2009) is to provide financial support to Aboriginal students at Camosun College who are pursuing programs related to justice. An identical award is available at the University of Victoria. This award has been funded by the Victoria Police Department as part of the settlement agreement requirement (3a) "Establishment of a Bursary in Anthony Dawson's name."

Available to full-time Aboriginal students who are Canadian citizens, have a GPA of at least 2.0 and are in a program that is related to justice.

- One page letter of introduction that includes personal background, family origin, and career and academic profile and goals.

- Name and contact information of an Elder or Indigenous community leader for a verbal reference.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in November.

Financial need not considered. Open to all Aboriginal students who meet other criteria.

Note: Special application form (see camosun.ca/aboriginal and check out Awards link).

Award Amount: \$1000

Canadian Diabetes Association Jean Mosely Fund

We raise our hands to the Canadian Diabetes Association who provided this award in the memory of Jean Mosely.

Available to students with diabetes.

- Self-written letter outlining student's education and career goals.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in November.

Financial need strongly taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) Victoria Centennial Endowment Fund

We raise our hands to the Canadian Federation of University Women, Victoria, who established this award for a single mother or grandmother who is in the first year of the Indigenous Business Leadership program.

Available to a First Nations woman entering the Indigenous Business Leadership (IBL) program.

- Self-written letter outlining career goals.
- Letter of reference from a community member, former teacher, or employer attesting to the applicant's commitment to her education.
- Priority given to single mother or grandmother, but if no such candidate can be found, the award can go to a non-parenting female in the first year of IBL.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in November.

Financial need strongly taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

M'Akola Housing Society Award

We raise our hands to M'Akola Housing Society, and former executive director, Linda Ross, who arranged this award.

Available to off-reserve students who are committed to their education.

- Self-written letter outlining student's education and career goals.
- Letter of reference from a teacher or community member talking about the student's commitment to education.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in November.

Financial need strongly taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$500-\$600

Rimer Family Aboriginal Trades Award

We raise our hands to the Rimer family for their generosity in providing this gift.

Available to Aboriginal students in Trades programs.

- Self-written letter outlining student's interest in working in trades.
- Letter of reference from a teacher or community member talking about the student's commitment to his or her studies.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in November.

Financial need strongly taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

Due January 22

Eulau Howard Memorial Award

We raise our hands to the late Mr. Art Howard who provided for this ongoing award in memory of his wife Eulau.

Available to students who are involved in community service.

- Self-written letter outlining student's commitment to community service.
- Letter of reference from community member talking about student's dedication to community service.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in March.

Financial need taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$400 - \$500

Deld'alus Te Ten

We raise our hands to the late Dorothy Price who left a very generous gift of ongoing support for Aboriginal students at Camosun College.

Available to students who are also parents.

- Self-written letter outlining student's responsibilities as a parent.
- Letter of reference from teacher or community member talking about student's commitment to education.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in March.

Financial need strongly taken into consideration

Award Amount: \$500

Mino-Ayaa Wellness Award

We raise our hands to the late Dorothy Price who left a very generous gift of ongoing support for Aboriginal students at Camosun College.

Available to students who demonstrate commitment to their own or others' physical wellness.

- Self-written letter outlining student's commitment to physical wellness.
- Letter of reference from teacher or community member talking about student's commitment to wellness.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in March.

Financial need taken into consideration

Award Amount: \$500

Winona Wood Memorial Award

We raise our hands to the late Ms Winona Wood who donated this ongoing gift to Aboriginal women attending Camosun College.

Available to women in any program who plan to become more self-sufficient as a result of their education.

- Self-written letter outlining student's educational goals and how she is going to become more self-sufficient as a result of her education.
- Letter of reference from teacher or community member talking about student's commitment to education.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in March.

Financial need taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$500-\$600

Due February 22

Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW), Saanich Peninsula Branch Award for First Nations Women

We raise our hands to the members of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) of the Saanich Peninsula Branch who provide this gift annually.

Available to female First Nations students who are enrolled in a degree program, or university transfer or a professional studies program

- Enrolled in the final year before graduating with a degree or transferring to university.
- Self-written letter outlining student's reason for applying and education and employment goals.
- Letter from community member or instructor attesting to the student's commitment to her studies and career goal.
- Minimum 2.5 GPA or 3.5 GPA in the most recent semester.
- Preference to women of the WSANEC Nation or to other First Nations women living on the Saanich peninsula.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in May.

Financial need taken into consideration.

Preference to women of the Saanich Nations.

Award Amount: \$1000

First Unitarian Church of Victoria Award for Aboriginal Students

We raise our hands to the First Unitarian Church of Victoria who provide this gift annually.

Available to Aboriginal students who have overcome great obstacles in order to attend college.

- Self-written letter outlining how student is changing his or her life for the better and how she or he is going to use education to keep moving toward the better.
- Letter of reference from teacher or community member attesting to the student's life changes and commitment to education.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in May.

Financial need given consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

In The Spirit of Laughter Award

We raise our hands to Ms Kathleen Sun who provides this gift annually.

Available to Aboriginal students in Indigenous studies programs who contribute good spirit and community building in their education.

- Self-written letter outlining how the student contributes to community spirit both inside and outside the classroom.
- Letter of reference from a community leader or instructor.
- Minimum 2.0 GPA.
- Preference to single parents but open to all students who are eligible according to the above criteria.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in May.

Financial need given strong consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

WSANEC' School Board (formerly Saanich Indian School Board) Award

We raise our hands to the WSANEC' School Board and Saanich Adult Education Centre who provide this gift annually.

Available to students who are funded by the WSANEC' School Board.

- Self-written letter outlining student's commitment to education and plans to serve the Saanich community following graduation.
- Letter of reference from a WSANEC' community member talking about the student's dedication to community.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in May.

Financial need taken into consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

Songhees Nation Award

We raise our hands to the late Dorothy Price who left a very generous gift of ongoing support for Aboriginal students at Camosun College.

Available to students who are funded by the Songhees Nation.

- Self-written letter outlining student's commitment to education and plans to serve the Songhees community following graduation.

- Letter of reference from a Songhees community member talking about the student's dedication to community.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in May.

Financial need given some consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

Tsa Qwa Supp Award for Nu-Chah-Nulth Students

We raise our hands to the late Art Thompson (Tsa Qwa Supp) who provided this ongoing gift.

Available to students who are descendents of one of the 15 Nu-chah-nulth tribes, Pacheedaht, or Makah Nations.

- Self-written letter outlining student's commitment to the Nu-chah-nulth people and to education.
- Letter of reference from a community member attesting to the student's qualities. The letter should not be from an immediate relative.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in May.
- Grades given strong consideration.

Financial need given some consideration.

Award Amount: \$500-\$700

University of Victoria, Office of Indigenous Affairs Award

We raise our hands to the Office of Indigenous Affairs, particularly Director Fran Hunt-Jinnouchi, for providing this gift annually.

Available to Aboriginal students in the Indigenous Studies Program who are transferring to the University of Victoria.

- Proof of acceptance or conditional acceptance into the University of Victoria.
- 500-700 word essay describing how the work that results from their education will make a difference to their own growth, and the well-being of their family and community.
- Agreement to attend an awards ceremony in May.
- Grades given strong consideration.

Financial need given some consideration.

Award Amount: \$500

Due May 15

Treasure Box Award in Memory of James Dick

We raise our hands to the late Dorothy Price who left us the ability to offer this award, and we remember with love and gratitude, Jim Dick, who was a teacher to our department, who welcomed us to this land and work.

Available to students who are knowledgeable and generous with cultural teachings.

- Self-written letter outlining the student's educational goals and work with culture and sharing culture.
- Letter of reference from community member talking about student's commitment to education and dedication to culture.
- Agreement to attend the Welcoming Feast in September.

Financial need given some consideration.

Award Amount: \$700

Open Application Awards

Coast Salish Education & Training Society (CSETS) Award for Coast Salish Trades Students

Available to Coast Salish students in trades programs.

- Self-written letter, 200-250 words, outlining the student's goals in their trade

Financial need given consideration.

Award Amount: \$500-\$700

Yaay'us

Available to students who need a short-term course to further their educational or employment goals.

- Self-written letter, 250-300 words, outlining what the short-term training is and how it relates to the student's educational goals.

Financial need given consideration.

Award Amount: Varies





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NOTE: There is a separate application for the Anthony Dawson Award

Awards Application

Award(s) <i>List award(s) you are applying for</i>		
Term/Program or courses <i>Check and list all that apply</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Spring/Summer 20____	(List courses/program)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fall 20____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Winter 20____	
Student information <i>(inform Enrollment Services if your address changes)</i>	Student Number: _____ Today's Date: _____	
	Name: _____	
	Address: _____	
	City: _____ Postal Code: _____	
	Phone: _____ Email: _____	
	S.I.N. _____ Date of Birth: _____	
	Ancestry: _____	
Career Goal: _____		
Submit	Submit in a sealed envelope to AECC Lansdowne office—Ewing 272	

Note: Review the criteria of the awards(s) and make sure that you gather and include all necessary letters, essays, and/or transcripts. If you have been a student at Camosun College for a least one semester, you may sign in the following box instead of submitting a transcript.

Permissions: I give the Aboriginal Education & Community connections Dept. at Camosun College permission to review my academic transcripts to provide proof of my academic progress as required for some of the awards offered by the department.

Signature

Date

Budget Related Questions

How many months from September to August will you be attending school?	
Are your tuition and books fully funded?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If your tuition and books are not fully funded, how much do you have to pay for them for the full school year (September to August)?	
Will you be receiving any other bursaries or scholarships that you know of? If so, how much will you receive from them?	
How many dependents do you have?	

Budget

Estimated <u>Monthly</u> Income	*****	**	Estimated <u>Monthly</u> Expenses (if shared enter YOUR portion)	*****
Employment/Self employment			Rent/Mortgage	
Student loan (average)			Groceries	
Band living allowance			Medications (uninsured)	
Employment insurance			Electricity, heat, and water	
Social assistance			Internet access	
Pension(s)			Telephone/cell Phone	
BC family bonus			Child care	
Child tax credits			Child school expenses (average)	
Childcare subsidy			Child bus passes	
Child support			Child support payments	
Spousal support			Clothing (yourself and family)	
HST rebates (average)			Gifts (average)	
Commissions			Car/Home insurance (average)	
Other			Car payment	
			Gas and parking	
			Loan/Credit card payments	
			Miscellaneous	
Total Monthly Income			Total Monthly Expenses	

I declare that the information on this application is correct and complete.

Signature

Date

Checklist

<input type="checkbox"/> Completed application form	<input type="checkbox"/> Required transcript(s) included and/or signature supplied if Camosun student
<input type="checkbox"/> Required letter(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Available for award ceremony (if required)