



Ontario Clean Water Agency Agence Ontarienne Des Eaux

Environmental Scholarship for Indigenous Students

The Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) actively supports educational initiatives and mentoring through various programs and awards. With Ontario colleges and universities, we connect students to co-ops, job placements, and internships. OCWA's Environmental Scholarship for Indigenous Students is a financial award that also provides career building through a co-op work term. One scholarship is awarded annually.

Award: Tuition up to a value of \$2,500.00 plus one paid co-op work term with OCWA.

Criteria: We are looking for proactive, high achievers with demonstrated interest in an environmental field with emphasis on water and wastewater treatment. Demonstrated interest can include previous experience in an environmental setting and/or a statement of strong interest in the environment and water and wastewater fields.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must be enrolled in or entering an Environmental Studies co-op program at an approved Ontario university or college during 2017
- Academic excellence
- Indigenous descent (*First Nation, Inuit or Métis*). Proof of ancestry may include a status card or Metis card or a letter from an elder, community member or official

How to Apply:

- Follow the directions on the Student Application Form. Be sure to attach ALL required application information and proof of all eligibility requirements.
- Submit your Application Form to your guidance counselor, principal or faculty member.
- Your guidance counselor, principal or faculty member will complete the Recommendation Form and submit to OCWA the application form with supporting material by May 31, 2017.
- OCWA's review committee will make a decision by the end of June 2017.

From all applications received, OCWA will award one scholarship. The co-op work term will be arranged for the recipient of the scholarship and an announcement awarding the scholarship will be made at a mutually agreed-upon event.

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Student Application Form

The Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) Scholarship consists of \$2,500 towards tuition of an environmental-related program, as well as one paid work co-op term placement at an OCWA facility. Please submit this signed form AND your responses to the requested information in Parts 1, 2 and 3 to your guidance counselor, principal or faculty member.

Please attach a hard or scanned copy of this document with the following information on this page. You MUST also sign the declaration included at the bottom of this page.

Part 1: Student Information

Last Name:		First Name:	
Home Mailing Address:			
School Mailing Address:			
Telephone/Cell Phone:		E-Mail Address:	
Name of Post-Secondary Institution:			
Identify Aboriginal Ancestry:			
Name of First Nation Band, Metis Organization or Land Claim*:			

*Please provide proof of ancestry, which may include a status card or Metis card or a letter from an elder, community member or official

Part 2: High school/University/College Information

High School/University/College:	
Name of Program:	

Part 3: Student Comments

Please explain why you should receive the OCWA Environmental Scholarship and the co-op position that accompanies it. Include any previous relevant work history, certification(s) held, career aspirations, etc and tell us how your schooling and skills would benefit OCWA and/or contribute to your water or wastewater experience. Feel free to use additional paper if needed.

How did you hear about this Scholarship? _____

Declaration: I declare that I am registered in an Environmental Co-op Program. I agree to allow my grades to be submitted to the Ontario Clean Water Agency for consideration purposes. I understand that if chosen to receive the Scholarship, that in accepting it, I also agree to accept a one-term paid co-op placement position in one of OCWA’s facilities. I understand that my ability to travel to the job site may be a requirement of the co-op work term.

 Applicant signature

 Date



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Faculty Recommendation

A hard or scanned copy of this form must be completed by the high school/college/university and submitted with the Student Application Form and the most recent transcripts of the applicant student as part of OCWA’s determination process.

Student Information

Name of Student recommended for Scholarship:	
Faculty Member Name:	
High School/College/University:	

Faculty Recommendation

Please tell us why you believe this student should receive the OCWA Environmental Entrance Scholarship and the co-op position. You can include information such as:

- Applicant's demonstrated and continued commitment to the water/wastewater industry
- Ways in which the applicant has distinguished him/herself from other students

Declaration: *To the best of my knowledge and belief, I hereby verify that the academic information and summary of school activities as submitted in this application are correct, and the applicant meets the eligibility requirements.*

 Faculty Member Signature

 Date

Please submit this Scholarship Recommendation Form (either hard copy or scanned electronic) along with the Student Application Form and the student’s most recent transcript or report card by May 31, 2017 to:

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