



Island Student Award 2014-2015

Eligible Island students registered in a full-time program in both semesters at UPEI or Maritime Christian College will receive an Island Student Award in their second, third and fourth year of study.

There is no application for this award. For eligible students, the award is conditionally credited to the student's school account in January. The funds are released after the student has been enrolled for 24 continuous weeks, usually the end of February.

The Island Student Award Program:

- recognizes the value of post-secondary education for Island students
- invests in Island students to ensure access to post-secondary education
- encourages Island students to continue their post-secondary studies in Prince Edward Island
- promotes the continued development of our publicly funded Island post-secondary education institutions

To receive an Island Student Award, students must meet **ALL** of the following **General Eligibility Criteria**:

Students must:

1. be enrolled in post-secondary education for the first time in their first degree/diploma/certificate program at UPEI or Maritime Christian College
2. must not have earned a certificate, diploma, or degree from any post secondary educational institution
3. be residents of P.E.I. which means:
 - must have graduated from an Island high school, or
 - are dependent students who meet Island residency requirements as stated in the Provincial Student Loan criteria (you do not require a student loan to receive these awards, or
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 - are a permanent resident within the meaning of subsection 2(1) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (Canada) or a protected person within the meaning of subsection 95(2) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (Canada) and with a valid Social Insurance Number.
4. be full –time students at UPEI or Maritime Christian College in their first undergraduate degree, diploma or certificate program
5. be enrolled full-time (9 semester hours) for a period of at least 24 continuous weeks
6. provide their Social Insurance Number
7. have not previously received the Island Student Award for that particular year of study
8. not be receiving financial support from any third party agency or government department such as Skills Development, Indian and Northern Affairs, Worker's Compensation, etc.
9. the award is available for the first degree/diploma/certificate program only.

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Year	Award	Amount
First	George Coles Bursary	\$2,200
Second	Island Student Award	\$400
Third	Island Student Award	\$600

Breakdown of Awards for UPEI and Maritime Christian College

Policy and Procedures

- The Island Student Award will not be granted retroactively. For example, students who receive a fourth year award, and then switch programs will not be eligible for a second or third year award in their new program.
- Students can only receive each award once.
- The award is for the first undergraduate degree only.
- Students enrolled in a second degree program such as a Bachelor of Education or Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, or a Masters or PhD program are not eligible for these awards.
- Transfer students and those in articulated programs will receive an Island Student Award based on the year for which they are currently enrolled.
- It is the responsibility of the student to ensure the school has included his/her name on the award recipient list.
- Students who have not received an award and feel they are eligible may submit an appeal form **NO LATER THAN** August 31 of their eligible year. **This deadline is strictly enforced.**
- Student Financial Services will issue payments directly to the post-secondary institution only.
- All decisions regarding the disbursement of the Island Student Award are made by Student Financial Services, Department of Innovation and Advanced Learning.

For more information, please contact Student Financial Services at (902) 368-4640 or visit www.studentloan.pe.ca.