



Island Skills Award

Eligible Island students registered in a full-time program for 24 continuous weeks at Holland College or Collège Acadie î.-P.-É. will receive a \$1,000 Island Skills Award in their first, second and third year of study.

There is no application for this award. Your school will determine your eligibility and the award will be automatically posted to your student account in January of your current academic year.

The Island Skills 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 student 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 the Island Skills Award, students must meet **ALL** of the following criteria.

General Eligibility Criteria:

Students must:

1. be residents of P.E.I. which means:
 - must have graduated from an Island high school, or
 - are dependent students whose parent(s) are Island residents, or
 - are independent 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
 - are landed immigrants with a valid Social Insurance Number.
2. be enrolled in programs leading to a post-secondary degree, diploma or certificate at Holland College, or Collège Acadie î.-P.-É
3. be enrolled full-time (20 hours of instruction per week) for a period of at least 24 consecutive weeks
4. provide their Social Insurance Number
5. not be receiving financial support including tuition subsidies, from any third party agency or government department such as Skills Development, Indian and Northern Affairs, Worker's Compensation, etc.

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Breakdown of Awards for Holland College and Collège Acadie î.-P.-É

Tuition	First Year	Second Year	Third Year *
Up to \$3,250	George Coles \$1,000 Island Skills \$1,000	Island Skills \$1,000	Island Skills \$1,000
\$3,251 - \$4,500	George Coles \$1,500 Island Skills \$1,000	Island Skills \$1,000	Island Skills \$1,000
\$4,501 and over	George Coles \$2,000 Island Skills \$1,000	Island Skills \$1,000	Island Skills \$1,000

* Students must be in a three year program.

Policy and Procedures:

- The Island Skills Award will not be granted retroactively. For example, students who receive a second year award under the former Island Student Award program will not be eligible for a second year award under the new Island Skills Award program.
- Students can only receive each award once.
- Transfer students and those in articulated programs will receive an Island Skills 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.
- 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.