



Nova Scotia Association of Optometrists

2012 Bursary Application Form

The Nova Scotia Association of Optometry awards a \$1,000 bursary annually. This bursary is funded and administered by the Nova Scotia Association of Optometrists. It is available to students from Nova Scotia who meet residency requirements and have been accepted into the first year of an approved Doctor of Optometry program at any accredited optometry school in Canada or the US. The deadline for submissions is **September 1, 2012**. The student selected to receive this bursary will be notified in October 2012.

Name: _____ **Date of Birth (m/d/y)** _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ **Email:** _____

School of Optometry: _____ **Start Date of Program:** _____

Applicants are requested to send the following information along with their application:

1. A letter with information about yourself, your academic achievements (please include a copy of your university transcript for courses completed up to July 15, 2012) as well as outlining any volunteer experience or extra-curricular activities and any other information pertinent to your goals and qualifications.
2. A copy of the letter of acceptance into the first professional year of Optometry School from either the University of Waterloo or l'Université de Montréal or see Appendix B for accredited US schools.
3. Proof of residency in Nova Scotia (See Appendix A) and Canadian citizenship (a copy of your birth certificate or current Canadian passport or Certificate of Canadian Citizenship).
4. Current photo of yourself (copy of driver's license or passport)

I declare that I have read and understand all of the eligibility requirements for the NSAO bursary and that the information that I have given is true and complete. I also agree that the NSAO may need my photo for publicity reasons and I grant them use of this photo (or a substitution photo) to announce the awarding of the bursary.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Return application to:
NSAO Bursary Committee
6009 Quinpool Road, Suite 700
PO Box 9410, Station A
Halifax, NS
B3K 5S3
Attention: Sandra Williams

Appendix A

You are considered to be a resident of Nova Scotia if you:

1. are a student and your parent(s) or guardian(s) have most recently resided, or maintained the principal family home, in Nova Scotia for a period of at least 60 consecutive months prior to the deadline of the bursary application; or
 2. are a student, your parents are separated or divorced, and the parent with whom you live, or provides the principal financial support, has been a resident of Nova Scotia for at least 60 months prior to the deadline of the bursary application; or,
 3. are a student and you have lived in Nova Scotia for 60 consecutive months prior to the deadline of the bursary application, excluding time spent as a full-time student at a post-secondary institution.
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Appendix B

There are 19 accredited schools and colleges of optometry in the U.S. and Canada. They are:

- Illinois College of Optometry
- Indiana University School of Optometry
- Inter-American University of Puerto Rico, School of Optometry
- Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University
- New England College of Optometry
- Northeastern State University, College of Optometry
- Nova Southeastern College of Optometry
- The Ohio State University, College of Optometry
- Pacific University College of Optometry
- Pennsylvania College of Optometry
- Southern California College of Optometry
- Southern College of Optometry
- State University of New York, College of Optometry
- University of Alabama, School of Optometry
- University of California - Berkeley School of Optometry
- University of Houston - College of Optometry
- University of Missouri- St. Louis School of Optometry
- University of Montreal School of Optometry
- Waterloo University School of Optometry