



Mon Sheong Foundation

Golden Jubilee Awards of Excellence Scholarship

Building Up the *Leaders of Tomorrow*

"Nurturing the Young" has been an important element of our mission for over 5 decades!

Established in 1964, the Mon Sheong Foundation is Canada's first registered charity specializing in the Chinese community. We are dedicated to the promotion of Chinese culture, heritage, language, and philosophy by caring for the elderly, encouraging the young, and providing programs and services to meet the needs of our communities. To commemorate our 50th anniversary, we created the Golden Jubilee Awards of Excellence Scholarship in 2014 to further expand the scope of our efforts. These awards are presented annually to students who aspire to make a difference in healthcare, social work, or education—our primary areas of service—empowering them to reach their full potential.

The *Scholarship*

Every year, Mon Sheong selects **2 recipients** for the Golden Jubilee Awards of Excellence Scholarship. Each recipient will receive **\$1,000 per year** for the duration of their studies, up to a **maximum of 4 years** (subject to renewal requirements). To enhance the value of the award, recipients will also partner with us to design and create a **20-hour volunteer project** to be completed within the first year of the scholarship, providing them with the opportunity to gain additional learning experience in their areas of interest.

To be considered for the scholarship, applicants must belong to 1 of the following categories:

- **Category 1: Graduating High School or CEGEP**

A graduating Ontario high school student who will be enrolled full-time in a degree or diploma program at a recognized publicly funded Canadian university or college beginning Fall 2016 **OR**

A graduating Canadian high school or CEGEP student who will be enrolled full-time in a degree or diploma program at a recognized publicly funded Ontario university or college beginning Fall 2016

- **Category 2: Undergraduate Degree or Diploma**

A current Canadian university or college student who will be continuing their full-time studies in a degree or diploma program at a recognized publicly funded Ontario university or college in Fall 2016

In addition, applicants must:

1. Be pursuing a career in healthcare, social work, or education
2. Have a minimum average of 80% among their top 6 grade 12 or CEGEP marks (Category 1) **OR**
Have a minimum average of 80% in their 2015-2016 academic year (Category 2)
3. Demonstrate financial need
4. Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident

The **application deadline** is **May 31, 2016**.

Selected award recipients will be notified in the summer of 2016, at which time they will be invited to attend a special presentation for the 2016 Golden Jubilee Awards of Excellence Scholarship.

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How to Apply

Our Awards Committee will evaluate and consider applicants for the scholarship based on their academic standing, community involvement, demonstration of financial need, and the completion of a short essay.

As a charitable organization, we particularly value the impact of volunteerism, so we are especially interested in how applicants have taken the initiative to make a difference in their communities. Any voluntary involvement and/or work experience will be reviewed based on the number of hours and the quality of participation.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that all required fields are completed and that all required documents are submitted. The completed application must contain the following:

1. Completed application form, which includes:
 - Personal Information
 - Academic Information
 - Voluntary Community Involvement and/or Work Experience
 - Summary of Financial Need
 - Applicant's Declaration and Signature
2. Official transcript (relevant report cards containing interim grades may also be included)
3. A typed essay (400-500 words) that answers the following: *What motivates you to pursue a career in healthcare, social work, or education? How would you make a difference in your areas of interest?*

This is the part where applicants can display their individuality by showing us what drives them to strive after their goal, the impact they would make, and how they would bring a positive change to the world. Applicants will be evaluated based on their:

- Clarity of thought and ability to communicate
- Creativity and originality
- Passion and persuasiveness
- Spelling and grammar

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications must be mailed to the following address and **postmarked no later than May 31, 2016:**

Golden Jubilee Awards of Excellence Scholarship
Mon Sheong Foundation
Corporate Office, Building C
11211 Yonge Street
Richmond Hill, ON L4S 0E9

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The **Application Form**

Thank you for applying for the Golden Jubilee Awards of Excellence Scholarship! All the best!

PERSONAL INFORMATION *All fields marked * are required.*

* First Name: _____ Middle Initials: _____

* Last Name: _____

* Street Address: _____

* City: _____ * Province: _____ * Postal Code: _____

* E-mail: _____

* Primary Phone Number (XXX-XXX-XXXX): _____

* Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ * Gender: _____

* Citizenship: _____

* Languages Spoken and Proficiency (based on the ILR scale):

* Please confirm the student category you belong to:

- ☐ Category 1: Graduating High School or CEGEP
- ☐ Category 2: Undergraduate Degree or Diploma

* How did you learn about the Golden Jubilee Awards of Excellence Scholarship?

- ☐ Academic Advisor/Guidance Counsellor
- ☐ Facebook
- ☐ Friend/Parent/Relative
- ☐ Newspaper ----- Please specify: _____
- ☐ Professor/Teacher
- ☐ Scholarship Website ----- Please specify: _____
- ☐ School Scholarship Portal
- ☐ Other ----- Please specify: _____

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ACADEMIC INFORMATION Please complete the sections for your selected category. All fields marked * are required.

Category 1: Graduating High School or CEGEP

* Name and Address of the High School or CEGEP You are Currently Attending:

* Top 6 Grade 12 or CEGEP Courses and Corresponding Marks: Interim marks will be considered.

Course Code and Name	Mark	Course Code and Name	Mark
1.		4.	
2.		5.	
3.		6.	

Category 2: Undergraduate Degree or Diploma

* Name and Address of the University or College You are Currently Attending:

* Program of Study: _____

* Concentration of Study: _____

* Expected Graduation Date: _____ * Co-op Program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

* Average in 2015-2016 Academic Year: _____

Please provide the percentage equivalent if your school uses a different grading system. Interim marks will be considered.

For All Applicants:

- ☐ * Yes, I confirm I plan to attend a recognized publically funded Canadian/Ontario university or college in a degree or diploma program as a full-time student in Fall 2016. I understand I may be asked to provide proof of full-time enrollment prior to August 31, 2016 in order to receive the award.

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VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND/OR WORK EXPERIENCE

1. Please highlight some of your voluntary community involvement:

Name of Organization	Brief Description of Involvement	Contact Name, Title, and Phone #	Total Hours

2. If applicable, please describe any internships and/or paid work experience you have had:

Name of Company	Job Title and/or Description of Involvement	Supervisor Name, Title, and Phone #	Total Hours

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SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL NEED

This form is intended to present an accurate representation of your current and expected financial situation.

For each item below, please check the appropriate boxes and provide the total amounts and information which reflect your **expected** educational expenses and resources for the **full 2016-2017 academic year**.

If any of the costs would be divided among multiple individuals, please **include only your portion** of the expenses. Do not include expenses while on a co-op or work term.

You may leave an amount field blank if there is nothing to report. Please round to the nearest dollar.

Educational Expenses	Amount	Resources	Amount
Tuition for the upcoming year	\$	Personal savings	\$
Books, materials, and related supplies	\$	Employment income and stipends	\$
Accommodation <input type="checkbox"/> Living away from home off campus <input type="checkbox"/> Living in residence <input type="checkbox"/> Living with family or relatives	\$	Scholarships, awards, and bursaries <i>Specify:</i> _____ _____ _____	\$
Food and groceries Exclude cost of meal plan if already included in accommodation expenses	\$	Contributions from parents and others Including money, cash, gifts, monthly allowances, and loans	\$
Transportation to and from classes <input type="checkbox"/> Driving <input type="checkbox"/> Public transportation <input type="checkbox"/> School within walking distance	\$	Government student assistance Including government loans and grants <i>Specify:</i> _____ _____	\$
Utilities, phone, cable, and internet Exclude any costs already included in accommodation expenses	\$	Other forms of government assistance <i>Specify:</i> _____ _____	\$
Personal and miscellaneous expenses Including laundry, clothing, personal hygiene, and any personal medical expenses not otherwise covered	\$	All other sources of income Including RESPs and trust funds <i>Specify:</i> _____ _____	\$
<i>Total Educational Expenses:</i>	\$	<i>Total Resources:</i>	\$
Unmet Need (Total Educational Expenses – Total Resources):			\$



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APPLICANT'S DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

1. I certify that all the information in my application is correct and I agree to abide by and be subject to the regulations of the Mon Sheong Foundation. Specifically, I confirm that the estimates I provide present an accurate representation of my current and expected financial situation.
2. I acknowledge that withholding relevant information or falsifying any data in my application may be considered grounds for refusal by the Awards Committee. If any information is found to have been intentionally misrepresented after the scholarship has been awarded, I recognize that I may be asked to repay any scholarship funding I have received.
3. I authorize the Awards Committee to verify any information or statements made in this application if it is judged to be necessary. Specifically, I authorize the Awards Committee to contact any and all organizations, institutions, or individuals who may have information relevant to this application.
4. If selected as an award recipient:
 - a) I understand that I must maintain a final minimum average of 80% among my top 6 grade 12 or CEGEP marks in order to remain eligible for the scholarship. I acknowledge that I may be asked to provide proof of my academic performance prior to receiving my award. (Category 1) *or*
I understand that I must maintain a final minimum average of 80% in my 2015-2016 academic year in order to remain eligible for the scholarship. I acknowledge that I may be asked to provide proof of my academic performance prior to receiving my award. (Category 2)
 - b) I agree to partner with the Mon Sheong Foundation to complete my 20-hour volunteer project within the first year of my scholarship. I recognize that failure to do so on my part may disqualify me from the award.
 - c) I understand that the annual renewal of my award is conditional upon my continued full-time enrollment in a degree or diploma program at a recognized publicly funded Canadian university or college, as well as the possession of a minimum average of 80% in my most recently completed year of study.

☐ I verify that I have read and agree to all of the terms and conditions listed above. *Check box and sign below.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____

To be signed by a parent/guardian if the applicant is less than 18 years of age:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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