Bursaries for Postsecondary Studies in French as a Second Language

INTRODUCTION
New French as a Second Language bursary program administered by the Association des collèges et universités de la francophonie canadienne (ACUFC) and Canadian Heritage. The government of Canada made a commitment to promoting a bilingual Canada, in particular by supporting English-speaking Canadians in learning French.

PURPOSE OF FUND
This fund provides financial assistance and encourages English-speaking students attending university to pursue their postsecondary studies in their second official language, in this case French, thus contributing to the increase of bilingualism among Anglophones in Canada.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS
Eligibility Criteria
The applicant must:
1. be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident;
2. have English as the first Canadian official language spoken;
3. have completed their secondary school studies in an English-language institution and graduated from this institution;
4. be admitted and enrolled full time in the first year for the upcoming academic year in an undergraduate program;
5. be admitted in a French program or in French Immersion;
6. be at least 17 years old by the first day of class;
7. demonstrate that they have sufficient knowledge of French to be able to study in that language;
8. take a minimum of 6 units per term taught in French; and
9. demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa.

Note: This bursary can be combined with other scholarships offered at the University of Ottawa. This bursary can only be awarded once: it is not renewable and cannot be received a second time should the recipient pursue another program at a later time at the University of Ottawa.

Special consideration will be given to students who:
- face financial difficulties and are from the first generation in their family to pursue studies at college or university level; and
- belong to an under-represented group or a disadvantaged minority.

Value of the Award: $3,000
Number of Awards: 350
Frequency of the Award: Annual
Level or Program of Study: Undergraduate
Renewable: No
Application Contact: Financial Aid and Awards Service
Application Deadline: April 30

APPLICATION PROCEDURE
Applications must be made through Online Scholarships and Bursaries, which can be accessed through your uoZone, and should include:

1. an unofficial copy of the applicant's transcript from a high school in Canada;
2. the Financial Questionnaire; and
3. the Self-Identification Form.