

TERMS OF REFERENCE

SCHOLARSHIP FOR CURRENT AND FORMER YOUTH IN CARE

INTRODUCTION

The University of Ottawa is committed to supporting students who have been in the care of a child welfare agency such as the Children's Aid Society in Ontario. In addition to this bursary, the [Regional Mentoring Centre](#) is available to assist students currently or formerly in care in navigating University transactions such as accessing financial aid and awards, enrolling in courses or connecting with support services.

PURPOSE OF FUND

To provide additional financial support to students who are or have been in the care of the Children's Aid Society in Ontario or an equivalent agency if you are from another province or territory.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, you must:

1. Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident or have protected person or refugee status.
2. Be enrolled in an undergraduate program at the University of Ottawa for the current academic year.
3. Be a former or current youth in extended society care under the Children's Aid Society in Ontario or an equivalent agency in another province or territory.
4. Have applied for and received government financial assistance from your province or territory.
5. Demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa.
6. Demonstrate good academic standing.

Value of the award: Minimum \$1,000

Number of awards: Variable

Frequency of the award: Renewable through re-application for every year of your first University of Ottawa degree

Level or program of study: Undergraduate

Application contact: Financial Aid and Awards Service

Application deadline: October 31

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must be made through Online Scholarships and Bursaries, which can be accessed through the uoZone portal. They should include:

1. the Financial Questionnaire;
2. Child Welfare Information:
 - a. a letter from the Children's Aid Society or its equivalent for residents outside of Ontario, indicating the time you have been or were in extended care;
 - b. the letter should include the contact details of your child protection manager or social worker.