

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR AN OTSS ENDOWED FUND

TITLE OF ENDOWED FUND (OTSS^[1])

Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa Dare to Dream Bursary

INTRODUCTION

The Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa provides educational and life-enrichment opportunities that enhance a child's physical, social, mental and developmental well-being. The Dare to Dream Bursary at the University of Ottawa is an educational bursary for youth who are, or who have been, in the care of The Children's Aid Society of Ottawa.

PURPOSE OF FUND

The Dare to Dream Bursary provides financial support for youth currently or formerly in the care of the Children's Aid Society of Ottawa who wish to further their education to fulfill their dreams. This bursary is awarded to those who have demonstrated the academic ability, and more importantly the dream of pursuing a post-secondary education.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Eligibility Criteria

The applicant must:

1. be registered as a full-time student in a program at the University of Ottawa;
2. be 24 years old or younger at the time of the application;
3. meet the Ontario residency requirement, as per OSAP^[2] rules;
4. demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa;
5. be or have been crown wards within the Children's Aid Society of Ottawa (CASO) sometime during their lifetime;
and
6. be in good academic standing (a cumulative grade point average of 6.0 and above in the case of undergraduate students).

Value of the award: Minimum \$3,500

Number of awards: Variable

Frequency of the award: Annual

Level or program of study: Undergraduate and graduate

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, and should include:

1. the Financial Questionnaire;
2. an unofficial copy of the applicant's transcript; and
3. a letter (max. one page) written by the applicant detailing how they meet the qualifications, and especially how they have seriously pursued their educational dream.

Note: Applicants are encouraged to contact the Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa at 613-745-1893 or foundation@cafott.ca for more information and to advise the Foundation of their intention to apply for this bursary. Applicants may also be identified on recommendation from the Children's Aid Foundation of Ottawa.

^[1] OTSS: *Ontario Trust Student Support*

^[2] OSAP: *Ontario Student Assistance Program*