

- 1. Is there an application fee to apply for a program at CNA or is the application fee waived?**
All students applying to CNA must cover the cost of the application of \$30.00
(one application fee per program)
- 2. Why do I have to provide my financial statement information?**
All students applying for The Joyce Family Foundation Bursary must provide financial statements so the College can provide a fair assessment of eligibility for awarding a bursary. The College may receive many applications for the bursary from students across Newfoundland and Labrador and everyone's needs must be considered equally.
- 3. When will I be notified if I won the bursary?**
Students successful in being awarded a Joyce Family Foundation Bursary will be notified by mid to late August.
- 4. Can I still apply for a student loan for College?**
Yes, a student can still apply for other funding. Any funding received will be included in the financial statements and will be taken into consideration on the awarding of a Joyce Family Foundation Bursary.
- 5. If I win the bursary and get a student loan will my loan be affected?**
A student is able to win up to 1,800.00 in awards per year before it affects his/her loan. For example if a student wins 3,000.00 per year for an award. Student Aid will adjust the loan by 1,200.00 over the course of the year. The positive thing about winning an award and Student Aid adjusting the amount is that this is less money the student has to borrow and therefore has to pay back once he/she graduates from College.
- 6. If I don't get selected for the bursary this year can I apply again?**
Yes, a student can apply as long as they have graduated within the last 14 months of completing high school. However, if a student is successful in receiving a Joyce Family Foundation Bursary, they are no longer eligible to apply again in the future.
- 7. How many bursaries are available?**
Each year the number of bursaries will vary based on the interest from potential students, the type of programs they choose and on the previous year's awards distributed. There is no set amount of bursaries per year
- 8. Do I need to do anything else other than complete the bursary application form?**
Once a student has fully completed the bursary application form and provided all required documents, the application will be assessed. If there are further requirements, the College will be in touch with the applicant for anything further required. **Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

9. Do I have to be a full-time student to receive a bursary?

Yes, applicants must be enrolled as a full-time student in any full-time program at any campus of the College of the North Atlantic. A full-time student is defined as students who are registered for 4 or more courses in course-based programs.

10. What is the value of the bursary?

The value of the bursary will depend on the program of study. The bursary will provide a student with financial support for all associated fees and expenses related directly to the program of study. It will provide this funding for each year of the program of study, as long as the student maintains full-time status in their recognized College program, remains in clear academic standing and continues to meet eligibility requirements of the award.

11. What are the criteria to be considered eligible?

Applicants must:

- Demonstrate financial need
- Be enrolling in any full-time program offered by College of North Atlantic
- Be in the final year of high school or have graduated within the last 14 months
- Be a permanent resident of Newfoundland and Labrador and a graduate from a provincial secondary school
- Be applying for first year of their program with confirmation of enrolment at CNA for the fall semester (meeting all program requirements)
- Must prepare a 250 word impact essay on application
- Must identify and work with at least one mentor throughout the bursary period
- Maintain clear academic standing through program

Note: The complete application outlines all the specific criteria for the award. The application must be completed in its entirety.

12. What is the deadline date?

The deadline to apply for the Joyce Family Foundation Bursary is July 28, 2025.

13. Is there a minimum grade average required to apply for bursary?

All students must meet the minimum requirements for their identified program of study?

14. How long does the selection process take?

The deadline to receive applications for the bursary is July 28, 2025. We will begin notifying successful applications by mid to late August.

15. How are the winners selected?

Winners are selected based on the eligibility criteria outlined for the bursary. This selection is made by the college award selection committee, as per normal process.

16. How will I know if I am selected as a winner?

The College will notify winning applicants via mail or email if the student is a successful recipient.

17. Is the bursary renewable?

The successful applicant will receive funding for his or her program as long as they maintain full-time status in their recognized College program and continue to meet eligibility requirements of the award. The minimum eligibility criteria for awarding a Bursary are:

- i. Candidates must maintain clear academic standing each semester of the program and attained a minimum weighted/ overall average of 60%, except in cases where the minimum grading basis is higher. (i.e. In Industrial Trades it is 70% and in Paramedicine it is 70%). The weighted average will be used except in cases where programs use an overall average.
- ii. At least 80% of the credits accumulated at the point of consideration must have been obtained at the College.
- iii. Courses which are not included in the requirements for graduation will not be included in the calculation of the weighted/overall average.
- iv. Candidates must have attained a passing grade in ALL courses being considered in establishing weighted/overall average. Marks obtained in supplementary exams will be considered in the calculation of the weighted/overall average.
- v. In cases where the learner repeats a course, the best grades are to stand for calculation of weighted/overall average.

18. Can a family member or relative be a reference or endorser on the application?

Yes, a family member or relative can be a reference or endorser on the application.

19. What happens if I can't get confirmation from CNA for the fall semester?

A student will not be considered a recipient for a bursary until they received confirmation of acceptance of a CNA full-time program and attach it to the application for the bursary.

20. Is there a time limit to apply after completing high school?

Students must apply for The Joyce Family Foundation Bursary within 14 months of graduation from high school. Example: If you graduated from high school in June 2024, you have until July 2025 to apply.

21. How and when are payments made?

Once winners receive their acceptance letter for the bursary program this letter then serves as confirmation that applicable program fees are covered. The Joyce Family Foundation Bursary funds are transferred directly on the students account toward the middle of each semester. This covers all associated expenses of the full-time program that have been applied to their accounts at the beginning of each semester. (*Some conditions apply*). There is no payment made directly to the recipient of the bursary.

22. What can I use the money for?

The funding can be used to pay for all tuition, books, materials and compulsory fees as identified in the program. A full list of these fees can be attained by contacting the local campus Student Services Office. (**Residence or Childcare Fees are not covered under this bursary program*)

23. Can I apply for more than one award?

A student can only apply for one Joyce Family Foundation Bursary. However, they may choose to apply for other internal or external awards as well.

24. Who is considered a mentor when I am enrolled in a program?

A mentor is a person who will continuously support and assist you throughout your college education. Some examples are a business leader, clergy member, family member, community agency worker, current teacher, or guidance counsellor.

The name and contact information of the mentor is mandatory for the application. If the mentor section is not complete the applicant will not be considered.

25. Does this bursary money have to be repaid like a loan?

No, the bursary is not a loan and does not require repayment.

26. Who is the contact person and how to I find out more information?

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