TO BE ELIGIBLE YOU MUST:

- be a Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident (landed immigrant), or Protected Person
- be a Manitoba resident (generally, you are a resident if you have lived in Manitoba for six months before your study period, not including time spent in post-secondary studies)
- study at an institution that is approved for Manitoba Student Aid purposes
- apply on an approved program that is a minimum of 12 weeks in length, unless otherwise noted by the Canada Student Loans Program.
- maintain satisfactory progress and attendance
- notice is in default of previous federal or provincial student aid
- have a poor credit history
- maintain the minimum required course load for the entire academic year.

- College or university: 60% in each term
- Students with permanent disabilities: 40% upon recommendation by a relevant health professional

Private vocational institution, career college, private training provider: 100%

have an averaged financial need

- maintain satisfactory progress and attendance

Funds can be used for:

- Student Aid purposes

NEW! Manitoba Bursary

$1,500/year

Students are automatically considered for this program when they submit their application for Manitoba Student Aid.

Contact Information

Manitoba Student Aid
402-1181 Portage Avenue Winnipeg MB R3B 2X7
Phone: 204-948-3421
Fax: 204-948-3420
Westman Regional Office
363-340 Main Street Brandon MB R7A 4Z2

Toll-free

Canada-wide 1-800-306-1088
Office hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Websites

Manitoba Student Aid – manitobastudentaid.ca
Canada Student Loans – Canada.ca

Repaying Your Loans

When you finish your studies or if you course-load drops below the minimum required, you have six months before you have to start paying back your Canada and Manitoba Student Loans.

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The following chart gives a brief description of the loans, grants, bursaries and awards available.

Most are administered through, or in conjunction with, Manitoba Student Aid. For more in-depth descriptions, see the “Funding” section under Our Program at manitobastudentaid.ca.

Financial Assistance

AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE

SPECIFICS

Canada Student Loan (CSL)

$7,000/year

Interest-free while you are in school. Interest begins to accrue once you cease to be a full-time student. Repayment begins 6 months after you cease to be a full-time student.

Manitoba Student Loan (MSL)

$14,500/year

Interest-free while you are in school. Interest and repayment begin 6 months after you cease to be a full-time student.

NEW! Canada Student Grant for Full-Time Students

up to $175 per month

Available to eligible students based on their family and province’s income needs.

Canada Student Grant for Persons with Disabilities

up to $3/month

Available to in-coming full-time students with disabilities under the age of 12 (as of the start of the study period).

ACCESS Bursary

Balance of assessed need – replaces Manitoba Student Loans

Prize of $1,000

Available to eligible ACCESS students. It replaces the Manitoba Student Loan portion and leads to the balance of the student’s loan.

Prince of Wales Princess Anne Award

$1,500/year

Available to Manitoban indigenous students, with an assessed need of $1 or more, who are studying in Canada.

Manitoba Bursary

$1,200/year

Students are automatically considered for this program when they submit their application for Canada and Manitoba Student Loans.

Canada Student Grant for Persons with Permanent Disabilities

Up to $1,500/year

Helps full-time and part-time permanently disabled students with living costs, tuition and books.

Canada Student Grant for Services and Equipment for Persons with Permanent Disabilities

Up to $375 per month

Helps eligible students based on their family size and previous year’s income.

Part-time Canada Student Loan

Part-time loan balance correct $25/week

For students studying part-time whose family income falls within the “low-income” level as defined by the Canada Student Loans Program.

Canada Student Grant for Part-time Students with Dependents

$60/week for 3 or more dependants

Available to part-time students with dependants under the age of 12 (as of the start of the study period).

New Horizons Education Award

Up to $1,500/year

Helps indigenous students with the costs of tuition, books and supplies.

Winnipeg: businesscouncilmb.ca

Manitoba Government Medical Student Assistance Program Grant

$7,000/year

This is a return-of-service conditional grant available to indigenous students.

For additional information visit: www.businesscouncilmb.ca