

Mini-FIT (Mini-French Immersion for Teachers) - Spring 2018

Official Minority Language Teacher Awards

Aim

This bursary is offered to teachers registered for the Mini-FIT program at the Université de Saint-Boniface (USB). It is funded by the federal government's Official Languages in Education Program and by Manitoba Education and Training.

Eligibility

An applicant must:

1. teach in French in an immersion school, teach a French course (English Program) or be designated by a school division as a potential French teacher (a substitute teacher may be designated by a school division) or be a coordinator, consultant, librarian or member of the administrative personnel of a school offering a French Immersion Program or French courses (English Program);
2. have a valid Manitoba teacher's certificate
3. be registered for Mini-FIT for 2 sessions from April 26 to 28 and May 10 to 12, 2018
4. have a proficiency level of Beginner 3 and up

An applicant must also:

1. be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident
2. be a "Manitoba resident", that is, having lived in Manitoba for 12 consecutive months ending the day before the first day of the program and having resided in Manitoba for a purpose other than a study program

Bursary Amount

Bursaries in the amount of \$350 are available to teachers who have registered for both Mini-FIT sessions. A supplementary amount of \$125 maximum per day (or \$62.50 for a half-day) may be awarded to cover the cost of a substitute teacher for Friday, April 27th and Friday, May 11th, 2018.

The bursaries will be paid directly to the Université de Saint-Boniface on behalf of each participant. They will be awarded subject to the French level courses offered based on enrolment. If the number of eligible applications exceeds the budget for 2017-2018, bursaries will be awarded by random draw.

Certain scholarships, fellowships and bursaries received by an individual are excluded from the taxable income to be reported on his/her tax return. Bursary recipients must contact the Canada Revenue Agency directly for information.

Conditions

The application deadline is **Friday, March 30th, 2018**. Applications received after the deadline will be placed on a waiting list. They will only be considered if there are funds remaining in the 2018-2019 bursary budget, after all other requests are funded.

Any change in your program of study must be reported immediately to the Provincial Coordinator.

The Minister of Education and Training may cancel or reduce the amount of a bursary, or require a recipient to reimburse all or part of any bursary, if there is misrepresentation or error on the bursary application or any other circumstance the Minister considers sufficient.

Application Procedure

1. Complete all sections of the application form.
2. Provide a photocopy of your Social Insurance Card or some other document proving that you have a Social Insurance Number.

NOTE : If you are a recent graduate from a faculty of education of the current school year, we will need a photocopy of your diploma and a photocopy of your Manitoba Teachers' Certificate, once you receive them.

3. Submit your application and required documents **by March 30th, 2018**, by mail, fax or email, to:

Provincial Coordinator, Official Languages Programs
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