

## Island Student Award

Eligible Island students registered in a full-time program in both semesters at UPEI will receive an Island Student Award in their second, third and fourth year of study.

There is no application for this award. Your school will determine your eligibility and the award will be automatically posted to your student account in January of your current academic year.

The Island Student Award Program:

- recognizes the value of post-secondary education for Island students
- invests in Island students to ensure access to post-secondary education
- encourages Island student to continue their post-secondary studies in Prince Edward Island
- promotes the continued development of our publicly funded Island post-secondary education institutions

To receive an Island Student Award, students must meet **ALL** of the following criteria.

#### **General Eligibility Criteria:**

Students must:

- 1. be residents of P.E.I. which means:
  - must have graduated from an Island high school, or
  - are dependent students whose parent(s) are Island residents, or
  - are independent students who meet Island residency requirements as stated in the Provincial Student Loan criteria. (You do not require a student loan to receive these awards), or
  - are landed immigrants with a valid Social Insurance Number.
- 2. be enrolled in programs leading to a post-secondary degree, diploma or certificate at UPEI
- 3. be first –time students at UPEI in their first undergraduate degree, diploma or certificate program
- 4. be enrolled full-time (9 semester hours) for a period of at least 24 consecutive weeks
- 5. provide their Social Insurance Number
- 6. have not previously received the Island Student Award in that particular year of study
- 7. not be receiving financial support including tuition subsidies, from any third party agency or government department such as Skills Development, Indian and Northern Affairs, Worker's Compensation, etc.



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### **Breakdown of Awards for UPEI**

| Year   | Award                | Amount  |
|--------|----------------------|---------|
| First  | George Coles Bursary | \$2,000 |
| Second | Island Student Award | \$400   |
| Third  | Island Student Award | \$600   |
| Fourth | Island Student Award | \$600   |

### **Policy and Procedures**

- The Island Student Award will not be granted retroactively. For example, students who receive a fourth year award, and then switch programs will not be eligible for a second or third year award in their new program.
- Students can only receive each award once.
- Students enrolled in a second degree program such as a Bachelor of Education or Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, or a Masters or PhD program are not eligible for these awards.
- Transfer students and those in articulated programs will receive an Island Student Award based on the year for which they are currently enrolled.
- It is the responsibility of the student to ensure the school has included his/her name on the award recipient list.
- Students who have not received an award and feel they are eligible may submit an appeal form NO LATER THAN August 31 of their eligible year. This deadline is strictly enforced.
- Student Financial Services will issue payments directly to UPEI.
- All decisions regarding the disbursement of the Island Student Award are made by Student Financial Services, Department of Innovation and Advanced Learning.

For more information, please contact Student Financial Services at (902) 368-4640 or visit **www.studentloan.pe.ca**.