



# MONEY MATTERS

Guide to Financial Aid at  
Concordia University of Edmonton







# CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY OF EDMONTON

Concordia University of Edmonton (CUE) is Canada's pre-eminent small university located on the banks of the North Saskatchewan river in the heart of Edmonton.

The Financial Aid and Awards Office assists prospective and enrolled students in reducing financial barriers in pursuit of their educational goals by being a resource for government financial assistance programs, institutional and external scholarship and bursary opportunities.



# WHAT WILL IT COST?

Education costs will vary depending on your degree program and your actual course registration but listed below are some estimates of what you can expect.

## ESTIMATED EDUCATION COSTS FOR TWO SEMESTERS<sup>1</sup>

Education Fees	\$8,046
Mandatory Fees	\$994
Health/Dental	\$300
<b>Total Educational Fees</b>	<b>\$9,340</b>

Books and supplies	\$1,000–\$1,600
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### Living Costs

On-Campus Living	\$7,910
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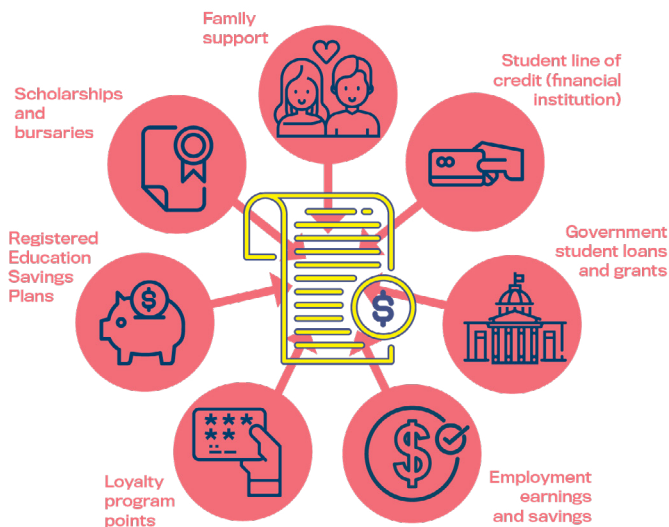
<sup>1</sup>Estimated expenses for domestic undergraduate students are based on an 8-month study period (fall & winter) with 5 courses in each semester in Arts, Science or Management programs. Additional fees may be assessed depending on actual course registration for things like science labs and private music lessons.

For information about living in residence, detailed costs, and how to apply, visit [residence.concordia.ab.ca](https://residence.concordia.ab.ca).



# HOW WILL I PAY FOR MY UNIVERSITY EDUCATION?

By attending university you are investing in your future. At the same time, that investment in your future comes with a price tag. You are likely to use numerous financial resources to make your university education come true. Some of these resources include:



**Pay My Tuition** – Your tuition is due on the first day of class each term. One month before classes begin, you can view your personal statement of account in Online Services for Students.

**Be Prepared** – Before putting your nose to the books, take time to make a budget for the upcoming academic year. Just like studying for exams, being financially prepared sets you up for success!

Visit our Financial Aid and Awards website to find out how your student loan can pay your tuition and for tips on creating a budget.





# FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

## UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to high school students (Canadian and International) entering their first year of post-secondary study in Arts, Management, or Science with a 75% or higher awards average. This scholarship is renewable for four years, or until the completion of your first degree. Automatic consideration is given to those who apply for Fall admission by April 1<sup>st</sup>\*; Winter admission by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Award Average	Scholarship Value	Annual Value Over 4 Years
95.0 or higher	\$5,000	Maximum \$20,000
90.0 – 94.9	\$3,750	Maximum \$15,000
85.0 – 89.9	\$2,000	Maximum \$8,000
80.0 – 84.9	\$1,500	Maximum \$6,000
75.0 – 79.9	\$1,000	Maximum \$4,000

For information on University Entrance Scholarships for home schooled applicants visit [concordia.ab.ca](http://concordia.ab.ca)

\*Note: University Entrance Scholarship deadline for athletes is May 1<sup>st</sup>.

***Financial aid is a broad term used to describe all of the possible forms of funding that you may be eligible for while attending post-secondary.***



## Sean Patrick, BSc., M.D.

*University Entrance  
Scholarship Recipient*

*“I am grateful to Concordia University of Edmonton for awarding me with the University Entrance Scholarship. The best thing about this scholarship is it is renewable until your first degree is finished. The Entrance Scholarship enabled me to attend university full-time while focusing on my studies. With the help of this scholarship, I completed my 4-year Bachelor of Science at Concordia and was accepted into medical school. Now, I am completing my residency in Emergency Medicine in Victoria, B.C. I am grateful for Concordia’s scholarships.”*

*#myCUEstory*

## UNIVERSITY TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

Students who transfer to Concordia University of Edmonton with a minimum 24 university-level transferable credits may be eligible for a one-time \$1,500 scholarship. Students must present a minimum 3.5 or higher admission GPA and be working toward the completion of their first baccalaureate degree program. Automatic consideration for those who apply for admission by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

A close-up photograph of a person's torso and hands. They are wearing a light blue denim jacket over a white t-shirt. The t-shirt has several small, colorful patches, including one that looks like a watermelon slice. They are holding a stack of three books (one pink, one white, one purple) and a blue pen in their left hand. Their right hand is holding a white cord. The background is a blurred outdoor setting.

# SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships aren't just for students with top grades. You can get scholarships for things like leadership, sports, volunteering, or membership with specific groups. Check out these opportunities:

- CUE Scholarships – annual donor-funded scholarship competition
- Concordia Bursary Program – non-repayable awards based on financial need
- Thunder Athletic Scholarship
- Concordia University Transfer Scholarship
- Awards for Returning Students
- Indigenous Awards
- Study Abroad Bursary
- Government of Alberta Scholarships Program

## EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

You can find numerous scholarship opportunities through external sources such as extra-curricular groups, foundations and places of employment. Check out these websites for other award opportunities:

- [yconic.com](https://yconic.com)
- [www.disabilityawards.ca](https://www.disabilityawards.ca)
- [www.univcan.ca](https://www.univcan.ca)
- [www.indspire.ca](https://www.indspire.ca)
- [www.canlearn.ca](https://www.canlearn.ca)
- [www.scholarshipscanada.com](https://www.scholarshipscanada.com)
- [www.studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships](https://www.studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships)

**Tip—Taking a full load of courses may improve your scholarship opportunities.**





# STUDENT LOANS AND GRANTS FOR CANADIANS

The federal and provincial/territorial government student financial assistance programs offer interest free loans and grants to Canadian citizens, permanent residents and protected persons. Students apply for assistance through their province or territory of residence. It's worthwhile to apply early so that your funding is in place before fee payment deadlines.

**Alberta Student Loans:**

[www.studentaid.alberta.ca](http://www.studentaid.alberta.ca)

**For Other Provinces:**

[www.canlearn.ca/eng/loans\\_grants/loans/provincial.shtml](http://www.canlearn.ca/eng/loans_grants/loans/provincial.shtml)

## DID YOU KNOW?

- There are federal grants for students with permanent disabilities. Contact Concordia's Learning Accommodation Services to book an appointment to explore your learning supports.
- You do not have to make any payments toward your government student loans as long as you are a full-time student currently receiving loans or you have completed an interest-free status form.
- Grants and bursaries do not normally have to be paid back.
- You can apply for a student loan even before you are registered in classes.

**CUE's Financial Aid Advisors can advise and assist you through the government student loan application process. Attend one of our summer Student Loan Workshops or book an individual advising session.**



## MY CHECKLIST

- ☐ Talk to your parents/guardians about how you're going to pay for university.
- ☐ Save money from your part-time and summer jobs.
- ☐ Open your student bank account if you don't already have one.
- ☐ Start your scholarship and bursary search early.
- ☐ Understand your costs and know your payment deadlines.
- ☐ Create a budget for university.
- ☐ Apply early for a student loan.
- ☐ Track your spending and stay on track.
- ☐ Join student groups and connect with others who can provide helpful tips and advice.

**Looking for some help? Contact a CUE Financial Aid Advisor to set up a one-on-one financial advising session.**



## FINANCIAL AID AND AWARDS OFFICE

Student & Enrolment Services, HA120 (Hole Academic Centre)

Phone: 1.780.479.9220 | Email: [finaid@concordia.ab.ca](mailto:finaid@concordia.ab.ca)

Visit us online at [financialaid.concordia.ab.ca](http://financialaid.concordia.ab.ca) for up to date scholarship information.

University financial aid can be confusing at first. Don't be afraid to ask for help.

**BOOK YOUR GOOGLE MEET VIRTUAL ADVISING  
APPOINTMENT AT [bit.ly/CUE-FinAidCal](https://bit.ly/CUE-FinAidCal)**

### IMPORTANT DATES

<b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b>	University Entrance Scholarship - Fall admission
<b>June 1<sup>st</sup></b>	University Transfer Scholarship
<b>July</b>	Apply for a student loan
<b>August 1<sup>st</sup></b>	University Entrance Scholarship - Winter admission
<b>October 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Concordia Bursary Application—fall term
<b>January 15<sup>th</sup></b>	CUE Scholarships Application
<b>February 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Concordia Bursary Application—winter term

*Visit our website for other award competition deadlines that take place during the academic year.*



# APPLY TODAY

[concordia.ab.ca](https://concordia.ab.ca)

