

# HOW TO FUND YOUR EDUCATION

## MONEY MATTERS

We get it - money is stressful! And trying to discover how you are going to pay for your education is always at the top of a student's mind. But not to worry! The University of Regina has a variety of different ways that you can fund your future.

Scholarships reward outstanding academic achievement, awards recognize extracurricular involvement or volunteerism, and bursaries assist students with financial need. Some scholarships will be automatically awarded, while others will require an application form. Government student aid and band funding opportunities can also be great options for post-secondary directed students.

## AUTOMATIC ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Students applying for admission to an undergraduate program **before March 15, 2022\*** and planning to start at the U of R in the fall term immediately following completion of their grade 12 year, will automatically be considered for the following awards:

TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS	VALUE	CRITERIA
UR Circle of Scholars Entrance Scholarship	\$20,000 (\$5,000 x 4-years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 awards for top domestic students in each of the identified regions within Canada who apply for admission by March 15 each year.</li> <li>\$5,000 in the first year; renewable for additional 3-years.</li> </ul>
U of R Entrance Scholarship	\$3,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early Conditional or Final Admission Average of 95% or higher.</li> <li>Domestic student (permanent resident, Canadian citizen, refugee, or protected persons) completing high school at the time of admission.</li> </ul>
U of R Entrance Scholarship	\$1,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early Conditional or Final Admission Average of 93-94.99%.</li> <li>Domestic student (permanent resident, Canadian citizen, refugee, or protected persons) completing high school at the time of admission.</li> </ul>
U of R Entrance Scholarship	\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early Conditional or Final Admission Average of 90-92.99%.</li> <li>Domestic student (permanent resident, Canadian citizen, refugee, or protected persons) completing high school at the time of admission.</li> </ul>
U of R Out-of-Province Entrance Scholarship	\$1,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early Conditional or Final Admission Average of 85-94.99%</li> <li>Domestic student (permanent resident, Canadian citizen, refugee, or protected persons) completing high school outside of Saskatchewan at the time of admission.</li> </ul>
Business Excellence Entrance Scholarship <small>*Students are not required to apply by March 15 to be eligible.</small>	\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early Conditional or Final Admission Average over 85%.</li> <li>Domestic student (permanent resident, Canadian citizen, refugee, or protected persons) applying directly from a Canadian high school to the Faculty of Business Administration.</li> </ul>

Students may only receive one of these scholarships, with the exception of the Business Excellence Entrance Scholarship (if applicable). Please note that Automatic Entrance Scholarships do not apply to students in an Adult 12 Program, or who are upgrading classes.

## DID YOU KNOW?



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Amount of **scholarships, awards, and bursaries** awarded by the U of R in 2020-21.



# 3,996

Number of **scholarships, awards, and bursaries** offered by the U of R in 2020-21.

## APPLICATION REQUIRED ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

We have a helpful tool called the **Student Awards Management System (SAMS)**, which is where you can:

- search the awards database,
- apply for awards, and
- view the status of your award applications.

The Application Required Entrance Scholarships & Awards are sometimes called “SAMS Entrance Scholarships & Awards.”

The U of R offers award competitions each semester; but new students entering studies for the first time in the fall will be eligible to apply for SAMS Entrance Scholarships & Awards starting mid-January, until the deadline of March 15.



# MARCH 15

The date that **Application Required Entrance Scholarships & Awards** are due.

There are also a variety of awards for current students as well! Students will return to the SAMS database each semester for the duration that they are a U of R student. Check out the specific deadlines for each award competition here: <https://www.uregina.ca/cost-aid/funding/undergraduate-scholarships/index.html>

## SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOPS

Need application assistance? The U of R offers Entrance Award Application Workshops each winter in order to provide students with a tutorial on how to navigate the database. Additionally, at the workshops we provide information on how to search and effectively apply for the awards.

Can't attend a workshop? Check out our online tutorials here: <https://www.uregina.ca/cost-aid/funding/undergraduate-scholarships/tips-and-help.html>

## FEDERATED COLLEGE AWARDS

Students who are enrolled through Champion College, First Nations University of Canada, or Luther College are eligible to apply for extra awards administered by their Federated College. These awards can be combined with the awards from the University of Regina. Each Federated College has information on their website about how to apply, in addition to their award application deadlines.

- **Champion College:** [www.championcollege.ca](http://www.championcollege.ca)
- **First Nations University of Canada:** [www.fnuniv.ca](http://www.fnuniv.ca)
- **Luther College:** [www.luthercollege.edu/university](http://www.luthercollege.edu/university)

## GOVERNMENT STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

In Canada, student financial assistance (student loans and grants) is available from the federal and provincial/territorial governments. There are two main forms of assistance available: loans and grants. Student loans must be paid back whereas grants, in most cases, do not need to be repaid.

**You apply for government student assistance in your home province, even if you are planning to study in another province.**

Government student assistance is intended to help you pay for your education. The amount of assistance available will depend on your personal and family situation and can only be determined after you have submitted an application. Find more information about Government Student Financial Assistance here: <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/education/student-aid/grants-loans.html>

## BAND FUNDING

Status Indian or Inuit students may be eligible for post-secondary funding through the Post-Secondary Student Support Program. The program offers funding support to students in the following areas:

- Community college, diploma, or certificate programs
- Undergraduate programs
- Advanced or professional degree programs

Be sure to contact your post-secondary coordinator to find out more!

## BAND FUNDING APPLICATION STEPS

1. Obtain your U of R acceptance letter
2. Talk to your post-secondary coordinator
3. Complete funding application before deadline

## MÉTIS STUDENTS

If you are not eligible for band funding there are additional areas of funding for Métis students. For example, the Gabriel Dumont Institute provides scholarships to Métis students who are Saskatchewan residents and registered as full-time students. Students can contact the Gabriel Dumont Institute at [usponsorship@gdins.org](mailto:usponsorship@gdins.org).

## QUESTIONS? WE'D LOVE TO HELP!

### Student Awards & Financial Aid

[safa@uregina.ca](mailto:safa@uregina.ca)  
1-306-585-4591  
1-800-644-4756

