

SCHOLARSHIPS - CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



Applications are now being received for scholarship programs administered by the Local Government Management Association.

Deadline for all scholarships: October 15, 2026

Please note that as of 2023, all scholarship applications have moved to an online format.

BC FIRST NATIONS PUBLIC SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

The BC First Nations Public Service Scholarship was established in 2019 in celebration of the Local Government Management Association's 100th anniversary. In 2015, the LGMA made a commitment to its members to facilitate greater engagement between First Nations and local government staff to increase efforts towards deeper understanding and reconciliation.

The LGMA has had a long-standing partnership with the First Nations Public Service Secretariat to collaborate on training and professional development to strengthen and enhance the professional capacity of their respective members so that they may better serve their communities.

This scholarship aims to provide support for Indigenous professionals to access training related to the administration or management of public services in their First Nation government. The scholarship is valid for up to two years in the amount of up to \$1,500 and will be provided to the successful candidate's post-secondary institution upon proof of registration. Preference will be given to applicants from smaller communities.

Application deadline: Thursday, October 15, 4:30 pm

DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS LEGACY FUND SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the Distinguished Members Legacy Fund Scholarship is to encourage students with an interest in local government management and administration to pursue post-secondary opportunities. A scholarship is available to assist students whose permanent address is in British Columbia, who have a demonstrated interest in local government public service, and who are accepted or are registered in a course of studies at an accredited post-secondary institution.

Candidates should be intending to treat their diploma or degree as a final diploma/degree and as a prerequisite to professional employment in local government or to support their career in local government through further post-secondary education. Preference will be given to applicants from smaller communities.

Scholarships will be awarded for one year in the amount of up to \$1,500 to be provided to the successful candidates as a voucher to the specified post-secondary institution upon proof of registration.

Application deadline: Thursday, October 15, 4:30 pm

GRANT ANDERSON COMMEMORATIVE SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the Grant Anderson Commemorative Scholarship is to encourage those students with an interest in local government administration, local government law and governance, and in planning and land-use law to pursue post-secondary education in one of those fields. The scholarship will be available to assist students who have shown an interest in local government during their undergraduate career, and who are registered in any of the following post-secondary programs leading to a degree at British Columbia post-secondary institutions:

- Masters degree in public administration, or public sector management or leadership
- Masters degree in community and regional planning

- Bachelor's degree in law

Candidates should be intending to treat their degree as a final degree, and as a pre-requisite to professional employment. Preference will be given to the previously mentioned degree programs, however applicants for other post- secondary education degree programs related to local government, planning or law will be considered. Preference will be given to applicants from smaller communities. The goal is to assist in training local government professionals for the future of British Columbia.

Scholarships will be awarded for one year in the amount of up to \$1,500 paid as a voucher to the specified post-secondary institution upon proof of registration in one of the approved subject areas. The Association will identify opportunities to engage successful applicants in opportunities that build capacity within the local government sector by extending an invitation where possible to LGMA events where appropriate.

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KEN DOBELL PUBLIC SERVICE EDUCATION FUND SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship has been established to encourage students with an interest in federal, provincial, local government and First Nations administration, policy studies, or Indigenous Studies, Dispute Resolution, Indigenous Histories, Indigenous Relations, Indigenous Land and Resource Management, Geophysical scanning¹ or other studies that would enhance reconciliation amongst local government and Indigenous Peoples to pursue post-secondary opportunities.

Applications will be received from permanent residents of British Columbia who are registered at a post-secondary educational institution, undertaking either a full time or part time course of studies directly related to federal, provincial, local government or First Nations administration and policy studies AND who are working either in a federal, provincial, local government, or First Nations organization, OR who have shown a demonstrated interest in public administration or public policy studies OR who have a demonstrated interest in contributing to enhancing local government efforts towards reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples and are enrolled in studies that would further such efforts.

Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of up to \$2,500 each, paid as a voucher to the specified post-secondary institution upon proof of registration with preference being given to one applicant from each of the four public sectors noted above. Preference will also be given to applicants from smaller communities.

Application deadline: Thursday, October 15, 4:30 pm

¹ Or for any field of study related to utilizing ground penetrating radar used at residential school sites.

For Application Forms and further information visit: [LGMA/Scholarships](#)

If you have any questions about the scholarships, please contact office@lgma.ca T. 250.383.7032