

Pisapio Undergraduate Scholarship Application Package

Scholarship History

The Pisapio Scholarship Fund was originally established to assist students of Notre Dame University (NDU) in Nelson, BC. After the closure first of Notre Dame, and then David Thompson University in 1978, the Pisapio Scholarship Fund was redirected toward the support of Nelson area students attending university elsewhere. Since the initiation of the Pisapio Scholarship in 1980, the Trust has distributed approximately \$600,000 to over 600 students!

The Awards

As many as twenty scholarships are awarded annually, ranging from \$500 to \$2500. Awards are paid directly to the university, subject to confirmation of the recipient's registration as a full-time student at the university. Candidates may be awarded a maximum of 3 scholarships during the course of their first undergraduate degree.

Applications must be received no later than **September 25th**. Successful applicants will be notified on or before **November 22nd**. Full details of the application process and application form are included in this package.

Eligibility

To be considered for an award, applicants must meet these minimum requirements;

1. Admission into a 4-year or 5-year (co-op option)* undergraduate degree program at an accredited university.
2. Registered as a full-time student, working toward their first undergraduate degree. Full-time registration is defined as minimum of 10 half course equivalents taken during an 8 month period.
3. Completion of a minimum of 10 half course equivalents (first year) toward the degree to which they will apply the award.
4. Graduated from a high school in the West Kootenay Region.

*Students enrolled in a 5-year co-op program may apply for awards to be applied to their scheduled study terms annually. Over the period of their degree, co-op students would receive the same monetary award as 4-year program students, with the awards spread over 4 versus 3 years.

The Application Process

I. A complete application package will include;

1. **Cover Letter** – addressed to the Pisapio Scholarship Selection Committee
 - To include applicants reasons for attending university, specifically his/her chosen program of study.
 - Opportunity to highlight applicants' accomplishments, community participation, interests and skills.
2. **Application Form** (included in this package)
3. **Transcripts** – academic excellence is evaluated by applying the Orpas Undergraduate Grading System Conversion Table (GPA) to the applicants most recent 20 half courses, or the equivalent
 - For applicants entering their 2nd year of university, transcripts for grades 11 and 12, in addition to the university transcript for their first full-time year are required
 - Applicants entering 3rd, 4th or 5th year must include an transcript of their most recent two full-time years of study.
4. **Declaration Form** (included in this package)
5. **References** – two letters of reference are required, one from a teacher who taught you in the last two years, and the second from a member of your community (not a relative).
 - Referees are encouraged to focus their comments on one or two of the following areas about which they have the most personal knowledge about you;
 - i. Scholastic ability
 - ii. Community and Extracurricular Participation
 - iii. Personal Qualities and Character
 - iv. Leadership potential

II. *Submit your complete application package*

- ❖ Email to maurice@poulinagencies.com, attaching as a PDF document and inserting “Pisapio Scholarship” in the subject line.

Pisapio Scholarship Application Form

Applicant Name (in full)	Birth Date (mm/dd/yyyy)																				
Telephone Contact	Email Address																				
Home Address Street: City, Province: Postal Code:																					
Mailing Address (if different from home address) Street: City, Province/State: Postal Code/Zip Code:																					
Residence History (list the locations where you have lived, over what dates, starting with most recent) 1. 2. 3. 4.																					
High School Education (if more than one school attended, list most recent first) 1. School Name: _____ City: _____ Dates Attended (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ 2. School Name: _____ City: _____ Dates Attended (mm/dd/yyyy): _____																					
Post-Secondary Education (if more than one school attended, list most recent first) 1. Name of Institution: _____ City: _____ Dates Attended (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ 2. Name of Institution: _____ City: _____ Dates Attended (mm/dd/yyyy): _____																					
Undergraduate Degree (during the period for which this application is made) Name of Institution: _____ City: _____ Program/Degree: _____ Year of Study (2, 3, 4 or 5): _____																					
If Co-op, please indicate your scheduled work (W) and study (S) terms as indicated;																					
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Did you receive a Government Student Loan? YES/NO	Student Number: _____																				

Declaration Form

To be considered for a Pisapio Scholarship award, an applicant must meet the minimum eligibility requirements as identified in this application package.

Eligible applicants will be considered by the Selection Committee, and awards granted to deserving students with outstanding scholastic and community leadership qualities.

It is essential that your application is complete, and that the information contained within is accurate to the best of your knowledge. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. The decision of the Selection Committee is final.

I, _____,

- i. understand the above conditions of my application
- ii. declare that the information contained within this Pisapio Scholarship application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Date

Signature of Applicant