

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What type of awards are available at Cambrian College?

There are a number of different types of available awards that you can apply for as a Cambrian College student. There are awards available for all students, full-time and part-time students, domestic and international. Awards are based on a variety of criteria such as academic achievement, financial need and community involvement/volunteerism. Selection criteria varies from award to award.

Visit our awards website to search our available awards: <https://cambriancollege.ca/apply/how-to-apply/scholarships-and-bursaries/> .

2. When and how do I apply?

Applications are open at the start of each academic year. You will need to submit your application online through your myCambrian portal in the section titled “Financing My Education”. By completing the application process, awards you are eligible for will load to your myCambrian account. Many awards require additional documentation to be submitted, this is displayed in your Financing My Education portal. Some awards do not require any additional information, if you are eligible for them, you will be an automatic candidate for these.

3. How many awards can I receive?

Students may be eligible for more than one type of financial support depending on their personal situation.

4. Why do I need to provide additional documents such as reference letters, essays or volunteer hours?

Some awards require additional information to determine the best candidate for an award. These documents will help us choose the successful recipient. Students who do not submit additional information will limit their options of what types of awards they could be eligible for.

All students **MUST** provide the requested supporting documentation by the requested submission deadline. Please see myCambrian for posted deadlines.

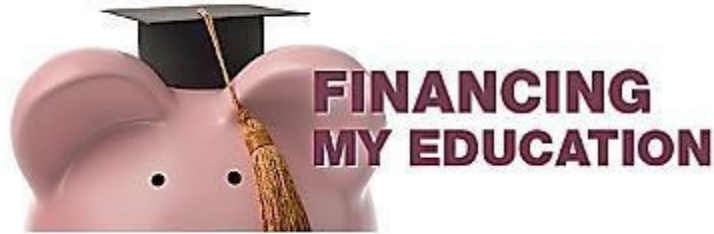
5. How do I find out if I am an award recipient?

Students can track their award status through their myCambrian portal. An email will be sent to the address we have on file. Awards sponsored by donors require students to attend the Awards Reception to receive their award, information regarding ceremony details will be provided.

6. If I am a recipient, how do I receive the award?

All awards will be deposited in your Cambrian College account and will be applied to any outstanding balance(s). If your account is in a refund situation, you can request a refund after the add/drop date of the semester. If your award is donor sponsored, you will be required to attend the Awards Reception to receive your award.





7. What happens if I withdraw?

If you withdraw before the add/drop date your award will be cancelled. Any student who has received awards and withdraws after the add/drop date may be required to return the award.

8. When is the Awards Ceremony

The Award Reception is hosted each March. This event is a semi-formal event where students will formally receive their award and have a chance to meet the generous award donor. Prior to the Award Reception, please confirm your attendance for our 'pizza lunch', where you will have a chance to write a personalized thank you card to the donor. Students can invite 1 guest to the ceremony. We ask students to dress professionally, similar to how you would dress for a job interview.

Students must attend the ceremony to be eligible for their award.

9. How do I make my application stand out?

Small details can make a big difference in whether or not your application stands out.

- Make sure your reference letters and essays are of the same quality that you would use to land a job interview.
- Write clearly. Be concise. Check spelling. Ask a peer or superior to proofread all of your documents.
- Make certain your application and documentation address the specific requirements of the award.
- Ensure you have provided all of the requested information and attach all documents required to your application.
- Ensure you submit the documents by the due date.

10. How is financial need determined?

Financial need is based on, but not restricted to, the following factors:

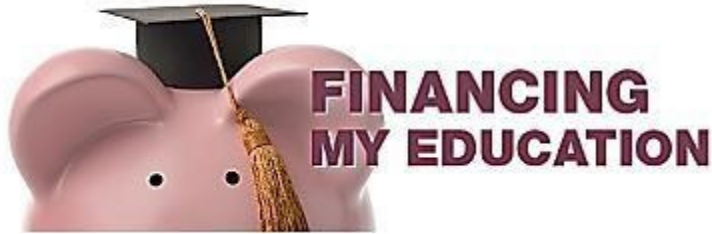
RESOURCES

- Family income
- Personal income
- Number of dependents in the family
- Applicant's financial assets and resources (including savings)
- Applicant's government student assistance assessment

EXPENSES

- Cost of program of study (tuition fees, books, and supplies)
- Cost of living (Rent , Utilities and household supplies)
- Food
- Transportation
- Personal (Clothing, Medical, Entertainment)
- Child Care
- Other





11. Is it worth my time to even bother applying?

The application process is quick and easy and will identify which awards are relevant to you. You will then be eligible for awards with no requirements. Awards with additional requirements will be listed with details of the requirements. The amount of time and energy you put into completing the additional documents is up to you. However, the more effort you make, the better your chances of becoming a winner. And most importantly, don't get discouraged if you don't win. Make the strongest case you can, and simply try again.

12. Do I have to reapply for awards every year?

Yes. You should complete an awards application each academic year to be considered for the scholarships and bursaries available for that year.

13. As an international student am I eligible to apply for an award?

Yes, we do have awards for international students.

14. Why am I required to provide my SIN number?

Colleges requires award recipients to provide their SIN or ITN for T4A reporting purposes as mandated by the Canada Revenue Agency.

15. How do I know if I am receiving a T4A?

If you received an award, scholarship or bursary that exceeds \$500 combined in the previous calendar year you will have a T4A issued to you.

16. When will I receive my T4A?

T4A's are released and mailed by the end of February for the previous calendar year.

17. Do I need to update my OSAP when I receive an award?

OSAP may be affected if a student receives significant financial assistance. When a bursary is received, students should update their OSAP information.

18. What are External Awards?

External Awards are administered by different organizations and companies independent of Cambrian College. Visit our Cambrian College website to review both Cambrian and External awards: <https://cambriancollege.ca/apply/how-to-apply/scholarships-and-bursaries/> .

19. Why Choose to Donate?

Cambrian college receives generous contributions from donors throughout the community. These businesses, organizations, and families make the decision to help students finance their education as recognition the importance of helping students become all they can be as future leaders. The support received makes it possible to make these dreams become a reality for our students.

