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THE IRVING K. BARBER
British Columbia Scholarship Society

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The Irving K. Barber British Columbia International Scholarship Programs

One World Scholarship

Objectives and Purpose

The Irving K. Barber British Columbia International Scholarships have been created by the Province of British Columbia and the Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society. Scholarships will be given to British Columbia students who are selected on, a competitive basis, from a pool of eligible applicants pursuing part of their post-secondary studies, co-op work experiences, internships, and other approved experiential learning opportunities overseas.

The scholarship programs are intended to expand educational opportunities for students at public post-secondary institutions across British Columbia, and to recognize students who are educationally curious and interested in expanding their learning experience. The programs will increase participation by students from public post-secondary institutions in B.C. in academic and work-related programs outside Canada to develop a more globally literate citizenry and workforce in the province. The creation of two distinct, yet interrelated scholarship programs ensures that all students who participate in placements abroad are able to apply for funding from one of the programs.

The Province of British Columbia has endowed \$10 million to the One World Scholarship program, and \$1 million to the Pacific Horizons Scholarship program. The One World program will initially provide 200 to 400 scholarships every year of \$1,000 - \$3,000 each. The Pacific Horizons program will provide up to 50 scholarships every year of \$1,000 each.

Students from everywhere in the province will be able to benefit from these scholarship programs.. The distribution of scholarships will recognize that institutions and students in rural and remote areas face challenges in participating in international education activities. The programs have been designed to match the institutions' international education strategies, creating the potential to make a significant contribution to institutional internationalization efforts across the province.

These international scholarship programs are managed by the Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society, a private Society named in honour of philanthropist Irving K. Barber, founder of Slocan Forest Products Ltd.

One World Scholarship Program – Application 2008

The One World scholarship program is open to eligible students enrolled in a program of at least one year in length, leading to a credential offered by a British Columbia public post-secondary institution. Students must have been accepted into a study or work abroad program that forms an integral part of their credential studies.

Number and Value of Scholarships

Between 200 and 400 scholarships worth \$1,000 - \$3,000 each will be awarded every year.

Definition of an Eligible Study/Work Abroad Program for the Purposes of this Scholarship

For the purposes of this scholarship, an eligible study/work abroad program is an activity that is either a formal part of the student's credential program at his/her home institution OR that carries academic credit recognized by the student's home institution. Eligible study/work abroad programs have to be at least three weeks in length, and no longer than one year.

Awarding Process

The One World scholarship program is administered by B.C.'s public post-secondary institutions. All applications received are reviewed for completeness and eligibility. Eligible scholarship applications are then adjudicated, based on the information in the student's application and supporting documentation. The adjudication committee considers applications on the basis of academic merit, the students' educational objectives, institutional and/or community involvement, and readiness to go overseas. For more information, please refer to the application guidelines attached with this form.

Eligibility Criteria

The scholarship will be awarded on a competitive basis to students who:

- are Canadian citizens or permanent residents (landed immigrants);
- are British Columbia residents, defined as having had their primary residency at an address in the province for at least the past 12 months;
- are enrolled in a program of at least a one-year in length (preferably longer), leading to a credential;
- have an academic standing suitable to a study/work abroad program, as determined by their post-secondary institution;
- have been accepted into an eligible study or work abroad program by their institution;
- are planning to carry out their study/work abroad activity outside Canada and the United States of America;
- are not carrying out their study/work abroad activity in a country from which the student has immigrated within the past ten years;
- can demonstrate the links between their study/work abroad experience and their education goals;
- have preferably demonstrated some involvement in their institution and/or community;
- have not previously received a One World scholarship or Pacific Horizons scholarship at the same credential level.

In addition to the criteria listed above, a student's institution may have additional considerations in making award decisions. For any questions about eligibility, applicants should check with their One World Scholarship representative.

Selected award recipients will be expected to accept their award and begin their study/work abroad term within nine months after the date of the notification by their home institution regarding the award. Should a student be unable to participate in the planned study/work abroad activity after being awarded a scholarship, she/he will have to notify the institution's One World scholarship representative at <http://www.studentaidbc.ca> immediately. In this case, any scholarship funds already paid out to the student will have to be returned to the institution immediately. If a student is prevented from participating in his/her scheduled study/work abroad activity due to a reason beyond his/her control and the student would like to postpone this activity to a later point in time rather than cancel it, the student should consult with his/her One World Scholarship representative.

Application Deadline

Completed applications and all documentation must be received by the One World scholarship representative at your institution by the deadlines established by the representative.

Please direct questions about this program to the One World scholarship representative of your institution. A list of One World scholarship representatives at B.C. public post-secondary institutions is available at <http://www.studentaidbc.ca>

Documents and applications will be held in the custody of the One World Scholarship representative at the respective institution, and will not be returned to students. Selections will be made, and notifications sent out to successful students by the students' One World Scholarship representative. Please note that individual institutions may have more than one deadline during the year.

List other scholarship(s) and award(s) previously received:

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List up to four examples of community and/or institutional activities, if applicable:

Name and type of community and/or institutional activity	Hours per Week	Weeks per Year	From		To	
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Names, titles and addresses of referees whose letters are included with your application.

1. Name:	Title:
Address:	
E-mail:	
2. Name:	Title:
Address:	
E-mail:	

Declaration

I hereby apply for a One World scholarship and certify that the information given in this application is true and complete. StudentAid BC is authorized to verify the information contained herein with my educational institutions and other sources identified.

I understand and agree that the information on this form and attached material will be used and disclosed by both the Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society (Society) and the B.C. public post- secondary educational institution (Institution) named in this form for the purpose of assessing my eligibility for and administering any grants under the One World Scholarship program. The Society is subject to the B.C. Personal Information Protection Act and will deal with and safeguard my personal information pursuant to that Act. The Institution is subject to the B.C. Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will deal with and safeguard my personal information as required by that Act.

I understand that my institution administers this scholarship program on behalf of the Irving K. Barber B.C. Scholarship Society. I am aware that I make this application to the Society, and that my institution will share my name and contact information with the Society.

I hereby confirm that I have not immigrated to Canada within the past ten years from the country where I will carry out my study/work abroad activity.

I hereby confirm that I am a resident of British Columbia, as defined in the eligibility criteria.

I hereby confirm that I have not previously received a One World scholarship or Pacific Horizons scholarship at the same credential level.

(Check this box if applicable) I have also applied to the Pacific Horizons scholarship program for the same study/work abroad activity, and I understand that I am not eligible to receive a scholarship under both programs.

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Yes No

I consent to the publishing of my name, information about my accomplishments, and photograph for promotional purposes, should I be a successful candidate.

One World Scholarship Application - Guidelines 2008

These guidelines will assist you in filling out the application form and help you assess whether or not you meet basic eligibility criteria. This sheet includes information on eligibility, your unofficial transcript and GPA calculation, personal reference letters, activities that are considered community and/or institutional involvement, and the awarding process.

Eligible Students

The One World scholarship program is open to students who are enrolled at a B.C. public post-secondary institution in a program lasting at least one-year (preferably longer), offering a credential upon successful completion. Eligible students must be residents of British Columbia, defined as having had their primary residency at an address in the province for at least the past 12 months. Only Canadian citizens or permanent residents (landed immigrants) are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

Students are only eligible to receive one scholarship (One World or Pacific Horizons scholarship) at each credential level: undergraduate (certificate, diploma, Bachelor's), post-graduate diploma or Master's, doctoral. They may apply for another scholarship if they pursue a subsequent level credential at the same or a different British Columbia public post-secondary institution. If you have any questions about your eligibility to apply for a One World scholarship, please contact your One World scholarship representative.

Complete contact information for the One World scholarship representatives at each institution is listed at the following website:
<http://www.studentaidbc.ca>.

Eligible Study/Work Abroad Activities

Eligible students must have been selected by their institution for participation in a study/work abroad program outside Canada, that is either a formal part of the student's program OR that carries academic credit. Eligible programs have to last a minimum of three weeks and a maximum of one year. Students taking part in a study/work abroad activity in the United States of America or in a country from which they have immigrated within the past ten years, are NOT eligible for a One World scholarship.

Examples of eligible study/work abroad programs may include the following: institutional academic exchange with a partner institution; study abroad with non-partner institution on a letter of permission; field school; unpaid or partially paid co-operative work term; service learning; internship; practicum.

Students taking part in any study/work abroad program that is not a formal part of the student's academic program, does not carry any academic credit, and/or is not otherwise formally recognized by the student's institution, are NOT eligible to apply for a One World scholarship. Students who pursue a study/work abroad program offered and organized by another eligible British Columbia institution may be eligible to apply for a One World scholarship, provided that the institution where they are registered will formally recognize the student's activity abroad. In this case, students have to apply for the One World Scholarship at the institution where they are enrolled in a credentialed program.

If you have any questions whether your study/work abroad activity allows you to apply for a One World scholarship, please contact your One World scholarship representative.

Your Official or Unofficial Transcripts and GPA Calculations

You are required to submit official or unofficial transcripts of all post-secondary studies to date, in British Columbia and elsewhere, along with your application. Unofficial transcripts should be readily available through your institution, either online or through the registrar's office. Your transcripts also indicate the grade you received in each course.

To be eligible for the One World scholarship, you will need to have satisfactory academic standing as determined by your institution for participation in a study/work abroad program. Your institution might set a minimum cumulative GPA that allows you to participate in a study/work abroad placement, and/or to apply to the One World Scholarship program. You should check with your One World scholarship representative regarding any minimum GPA requirements.

Personal Reference Letters

Attached to the application is a Letter of Reference form. You will need to make enough copies of this form to provide each of your two identified referees with a copy. You may also wish to provide your referees with a copy of the objectives and purpose of the Irving K. Barber British Columbia International Scholarship Programs outlined on the first page of this application package, and your curriculum vitae or resume. This will give your referees a better idea of the principles behind the scholarship you are applying for, and help them to write a letter appropriate to those principles.

Choosing appropriate referees is very important. You need to approach someone in either your institution or community who knows you and who can attest both to your community and/or institutional involvement and personal character. More information for your referees is included on the Letter of Reference form. Reference letters must be confidential. Ask your referee to return the reference letter and completed form to you in a sealed envelope, signed across the seal. Submit the two sealed envelopes along with your application.

What activities are considered community and/or institutional involvement?

There are many different ways you can make a contribution to your community and/or institution. The selection committee is particularly interested in any volunteer (unpaid) work, or work that is not a requirement of your academic programs, and that will benefit from your enhanced international perspective upon your return from your learning experience overseas. Involvement in sports, civic community or environmental projects, may also provide a strong contribution to your institution. For activities that you consider to be community and/or institutional involvement in the context of this application, you should choose referees who can confirm your participation in these activities and efforts. Community and/or institutional involvement is not a necessary program requirement, but could strengthen your scholarship application.

The Awards Process

The selection process for the One World scholarship program is handled by the individual post-secondary institutions. Please check with your institution's One World scholarship representative for details regarding the awards process.