

A photograph of three diverse young adults (two women and one man) sitting at a wooden table outdoors. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera. The man on the left is wearing a blue and white patterned sweater. The woman in the middle is wearing glasses and a patterned jacket. The woman on the right is wearing a black top. A tablet is on the table in front of them, and an open book is next to the woman on the right. The background is a blurred city skyline.

SHINE

SOARING HIGHER IN EDUCATION

SCHOLARSHIP

2025-2026 APPLICATION CYCLE PROGRAM GUIDELINES

VALUE AND DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS

\$11,000 CAD per year for up to 4 years of funding, or until the student completes their first accreditation in Canada (whichever is the shorter period):

- **Certificate** (funded for up to 1 year)
- **Diploma** (funded for up to 2 years)
- **University transfer program** (funded for up to 2 years plus a university degree funded for up to 2 additional years for a total of 4 years of funding for both institutions combined)
- **Undergraduate degree** (funded for a total of 4 years).

The annual payments will be as follows:

- \$11,000 paid directly to the post-secondary institution in two equal annual installments of \$5,500 (Fall and Winter Term)
- Funds remaining in the account after covering the tuition and student fees per each term should be applied toward school-related expenses.

In addition to the financial support, the Beedie Luminaries Foundation offers student support, including:

- Student Success Managers
- Mentors
- Peer Support Groups
- Special events and workshops
- Beedie Luminaries digital community group
- Paid summer internship opportunities
- Career guidance.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to apply for the 2026 Cohort, a candidate must:

- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or a protected person in Canada (International students are not eligible)
- Be a full-time resident of British Columbia (i.e. have lived in the province for the previous 6 consecutive months)
- Be in their final year of high school¹, entering full-time studies in a first bachelor's degree or first diploma/certificate at one of the eligible public post-secondary institutions listed below. The Private Training Act (PTA) designated institutions are not eligible
- Not be eligible for the BC Tuition Waiver Program (for former Youth in Care)
- Have a minimum cumulative average of 75% (or equivalent) for Grade 11
- Have faced financial and other life adversities.

Eligible post-secondary institutions:

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| ◦ British Columbia Institute of Technology | ◦ Northern Lights College |
| ◦ Camosun College | ◦ Okanagan College |
| ◦ Capilano University | ◦ Royal Roads University |
| ◦ Coast Mountain College | ◦ Selkirk College |
| ◦ College of New Caledonia | ◦ Simon Fraser University |
| ◦ College of the Rockies | ◦ Thompson Rivers University |
| ◦ Douglas College | ◦ University of British Columbia (all campuses) |
| ◦ Emily Carr University of Art & Design | ◦ University of Northern British Columbia |
| ◦ Justice Institute of British Columbia | ◦ University of the Fraser Valley |
| ◦ Kwantlen Polytechnic University | ◦ University of Victoria |
| ◦ Langara College | ◦ Vancouver Community College |
| ◦ Nicola Valley Institute of Technology | ◦ Vancouver Island University |
| ◦ North Island College | ◦ Native Education College |

¹ Adult learners attending high school or taking Adult Dogwood are not eligible.

FIELD OF STUDY/PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- There are no restrictions on the program or discipline of study.
- Program must be of a minimum of 1 year in duration.
- To be eligible for the Beedie Luminaries Scholarship, students in full-time studies must take 60% or more of a full course load (typically a minimum of 3 courses per term) and complete a minimum of 24 credits (or equivalent) over the course of the full academic year.
- Prerequisite courses required for admission into a post-secondary program are not supported through the scholarship.

CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

- Students must commence their post-secondary studies in September 2026. Deferrals in the first year are not permissible.
- The scholarship may be withdrawn if the student fails to make appropriate academic progress (according to the individual school's criteria), fails to obtain sufficient grades to pass a year or complete a program, withdraws from full-time attendance at the selected institution, commits an infraction or crime; (e.g., infraction such as breaching a school's code of conduct or engaging in plagiarism) or does not complete mandatory academic progress reports and enrollment confirmations as required.
- While receiving Beedie Luminaries funding, a SHINE student cannot hold other scholarships or financial awards that total more than \$10,000 over the 4-year scholarship funding period. This does NOT include bursaries, student loans, or band funding.
- Beedie Luminaries acceptance is limited to a maximum of two active or past recipients per one household/family, each enrolled within a different program (SHINE, SPARK, RISE, BUILD, or the Graduate Studies Award). For example, only one family member may be the recipient of SHINE and another of SPARK, but not both the recipients of SHINE.
- The scholarship funding can only be applied toward courses and credits commencing in September 2026. Students will not be retroactively reimbursed for any studies or courses completed prior to September 2026.
- Employees of Beedie and their dependents are not eligible to apply.

Please note: If a student is currently receiving, or intends to apply for additional funding support including income assistance, government subsidies, band funding, school bursaries and other awards, student loans or any other type of financial assistance, it is important that the student discusses the application with the respective administering organization to understand what impact additional funding from a Beedie Luminaries Scholarship may have on the student's eligibility with these programs.

SELECTION PROCESS

The Beedie Luminaries selection of scholarship recipients will be conducted in two phases:

Phase 1: Each application is read and scored by a minimum of two experts on the Beedie Luminaries Selection Committee. The Beedie Luminaries Selection Committee may invite some shortlisted candidates for an interview.

Phase 2: The Beedie Luminaries Foundation will meet to determine the 2026 recipients. All applicants will be notified of the results of the selection process, once available.

Please refer to our website for the selection process timeline. Once the selection process is complete, decisions are irrevocable.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Personal circumstances
- Demonstration of financial adversity
- Responses to application questions
- Quality and relevance of the application video
- Clarity of the applicant's educational goals, and focused commitment
- Contributions to community, to family, and/or extracurricular activities
- The reference form.

APPLICATION ENQUIRIES

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