

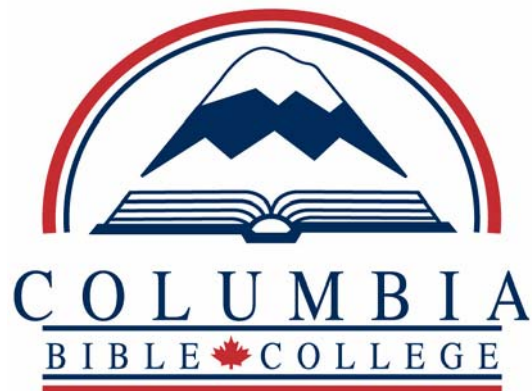


**Financial  
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# **Columbia Bible College**



Columbia Bible College  
2940 Clearbrook Rd  
Abbotsford, BC V2T 2Z8

Visit our website for more details: [www.columbiabc.edu/admissions](http://www.columbiabc.edu/admissions)

Contact us at: 1-800-283-0881  
[admissions@columbiabc.edu](mailto:admissions@columbiabc.edu)  
[student.aid@columbiabc.edu](mailto:student.aid@columbiabc.edu)



# Columbia Bible College

### APPLYING FOR COLUMBIA'S FINANCIAL AID IS EASY!

- ◆ Be sure that you meet the eligibility requirements stated below
- ◆ Apply and be accepted to CBC by the Financial Aid deadline
- ◆ Complete the Bursary or Scholarship Application Form in this portfolio or download it from our website at: [www.columbiabc.edu/Admissions/fin\\_aid.html](http://www.columbiabc.edu/Admissions/fin_aid.html).
- ◆ Fax or mail the completed application form to:  
**Columbia Bible College—Financial Aid**  
**2940 Clearbrook Road**  
**Abbotsford, BC V2T 2Z8**  
**FAX: 604-853-3063**

### COLUMBIA FINANCIAL AID DEADLINES

May 31: Fall entry Deadline  
November 30: Spring entry Deadline

### FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for new student financial aid you must:

- ◆ Apply and be accepted for College by the Financial Aid Deadline.
- ◆ Apply for Financial Aid by the deadline
- ◆ Enroll as a full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester.)
- ◆ GPA must be 2.0 or above for most bursaries (see details on application forms) and 3.3 or above for the leadership scholarship.



### DISCOUNTS

#### ◆ Conference Discount

Students and/or students whose parents are active members of a Constituency Church over the last 6 months (Mennonite Church of B.C. or Mennonite Brethren Conference of B.C.) will receive a tuition reduction of \$5 per credit hour.

#### ◆ Spousal Discount

Spouses of full-time married students may audit courses at no charge. A 50% discount applies to courses taken for credit. (Discount applies to basic tuition only)

### NEW STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

(Fall applicants only)

- ◆ **The Leadership Scholarship** is for people applying for a 4-year BA, have 3.3 GPA or higher, have some leadership experience, and are willing to be mentored in leadership at Columbia. It is \$1000 per year for 4 years.

### NEW STUDENT BURSARIES

- ◆ Columbia offers several **New Student Bursaries** based on need. Bursaries are between \$500-800 for the year.
- ◆ **Single Parent Family Bursary** of \$500 is awarded to a student from a single parent home, or a single parent, assessed with greatest need.
- ◆ **40s & 50s Alumni Bursaries** of \$500 are awarded to 2 outstanding students demonstrating maturity, strong Christian character, leadership qualities, and a commitment to Christian ministry.

### RETURNING STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS / BURSARIES

Columbia offers a significant amount of returning student scholarships. These are awarded to students who are returning to Columbia as full time students (12 credit hours or more), have a minimum GPA of 2.0, and who meet the criteria specified in the scholarship. Please view our website for specifics on these scholarships and bursaries.



# Financial Aid Portfolio

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## Other resources

### Scholarship search websites

#### ◆ Canadian sites

www.studentawards.com  
www.aucc.ca/programs/scholarships  
www.schoolfinder.com/finance  
www.scholarshipscanada.com

#### ◆ US sites

www.finaid.com  
www.fastweb.com  
www.wiredscholar.com

### Where to look for scholarships?

- >> Your parent's employer.
- >> Community Organizations that you or your family may be involved in.
- >> Your church.
- >> Ethnic or Cultural groups you may be a part of.
- >> Unions you or your parents are members of.

### Financial Advice & Budgeting sites:

www.debtfreegrad.com      www.canlearn.ca  
www.mappingyourfuture.org      www.edwise.org  
www.financialplan.about.com

### Student Employment

Some part-time positions are available on campus such as bookstore, dining hall, janitorial, maintenance, athletics, library, business office, etc. Wages are hourly at BC minimum wage rate. Visit our Career Centre in the Student Centre building on campus or the employment listings can be found at [www.columbipc.edu/student-services/cc.html](http://www.columbipc.edu/student-services/cc.html) (please note that web access is for CBC students only)

### Off Campus Employment

Columbia's campus is centrally located within walking distance to all major amenities. There are many jobs available in the Abbotsford area. International students can not work off campus without a work visa. US students may find off campus employment across the border (only 10 minutes from campus).

### Bank Loans/Student Line of Credit

The following websites have many resources for students  
**Royal Bank**— [www.royalbank.com/student](http://www.royalbank.com/student)  
**TD Bank**— [www.tdbank.ca/student](http://www.tdbank.ca/student)  
**CIBC**— [www.cibc.com/ca/student-life](http://www.cibc.com/ca/student-life)

**Note: RESP funds are applicable for CBC students.**

## Fees

### Payment of Fees:

All Tuition and Resident Deposits are due by **July 15** and are non-refundable after that date. Late registration fees apply after this date.

### Payment Plans:

Payment method confirmed by July 15:

#### 1. Standard Payment plan:

Balance paid by Sept. 5

#### 2. Deferred Payment plan:

(service fee- Resident—\$100; Commuter—\$50)

50% paid by Sept. 5

50% of balance by Oct. 15

Remaining balance by Nov. 15

#### 3. Financial Aid Plan

(service fee- Resident—\$100; Commuter—\$50)

- If a student also needs a Deferred Payment Plan with the Financial Aid Plan there is an additional \$50 fee

- ◆ July 15: **Deposit**, payable by cash, cheque, debit or credit card
- ◆ July 31: **Documentation Confirmation Submitted**
- ◆ If financial aid is **approved** ~ Copies of confirmation must be submitted to Student Aid Advisor. The confirmation must include the amount of approved aid and may be in the form of:
  - \*Award letters on scholarship/bursary
  - \*Bank loan confirmation letter
  - \*Copy of government loan or sponsorship approval
- ◆ If financial aid has been applied for but **not yet approved** ~ Evidence of application for funding must be submitted and verified by the Student Aid Advisor.
- ◆ **Failure to submit proof** of approved or pending financial aid will be considered an "incomplete registration" and the late registration fee will apply.
- ◆ **Sept 6th: Evidence of approved financial aid** must be received otherwise a standard schedule of payments or Deferred Payment Plan will be required.

\*\*\*Failure to complete a satisfactory payment plan by Sept 6th will be considered a College withdrawal.

\*\*\*Failure to complete payment from an approved financial aid source by Oct 15th will necessitate the student to convert to a standard schedule of payments or a deferred payment plan. The student will be required to make up any payments, which may be due on either plan.

\*\*\*Special negotiated payment arrangements may incur an additional fee of \$50.

## Columbia Bible College



### GOVERNMENT STUDENT LOANS FOR CANADIAN STUDENTS

Columbia Bible College students may qualify for both Canada and Provincial Student Loans. The application is combined and processed through your province of residency so...visit the **National Student Loan Centre's website for information regarding your province of residency.** [www.canlearn.ca](http://www.canlearn.ca)

#### ◆ Eligibility

Students who are enrolled in at least 9 credit hours and who are Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada.

#### ◆ How to Apply

Federal and Provincial integrated student loan applications are released in June of each year for the following year. Applications can be obtained at most high schools and colleges in your area. Check your provincial student loan website, you may be able to apply on-line.

◆ **NEW!** - BC Students can now apply on-line at [www.bcsap.ca](http://www.bcsap.ca)

◆ Please allow 30-60 days for government processing of the application. For September admission, you are encouraged to apply for Student Loans before **June 15**. January admission, you are encouraged to apply for Student Loans before **November 15**.

◆ **Columbia Bible College**  
School Code is #**APAJ**

◆ **Note:** Government loans may not cover the entire cost of both semesters. It is strongly recommended that you place any funds for second semester (from Student Loans, Savings or other) in a 90 or 120-day term deposit with a bank until second semester. This may prevent you from running out of funds for second semester.



### US STUDENT FEDERAL AID [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)

If you are a citizen of the USA, you may be eligible for US financial aid such as Stafford Loans, Subsidized, Unsubsidized, or PLUS Loans.

#### ◆ Eligibility

Students who are enrolled in at least 9 credit hours per semester and are US citizens.

#### ◆ How to Apply

1. Students must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**). Find info at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)  
**Columbia's US School Code is G22011**

2. As a result of your FAFSA application, you will receive a **Student Aid Report (SAR)**. You will need to request a hard copy of your SAR from the website or by calling 1-800-433-3243 (US) or 319-337-5665 (Canada).  
**NOTE:** A copy downloaded from the website is not sufficient for schools outside of the USA.

3. You will also need to complete a Stafford Loan Master Promissory Note (**MPN**). This form can be downloaded from the NELA web site at [www.nela.net](http://www.nela.net)

4. Send the following forms to Columbia Bible College — **Student Aid Report**  
**Master Promissory Note**

◆ **Processing:** After the forms are received by Columbia, we will complete the application. Your lender will then let you know the amount of your loan. This entire process can take up to eight weeks to complete so apply early if funds are needed by the beginning of the semester.

◆ **Parent Loans (PLUS):** Parents of dependent students (under 24) may apply for this non-need based loan. You will need to send a completed **PLUS Loan Application and MPN** (one form) which can be downloaded from [nela.net](http://nela.net) to Columbia Bible College.



## DETERMINING DEPENDENCY STATUS:

- Have you been out of high school for four years?  Yes  No
- Have you completed two or more one-year periods in the full-time labour force?  Yes  No
- Are you able to document that you have no parent or legal guardian (include documentation)?  Yes  No
- Are you married?  Yes  No

**\* If you meet any of the above criteria you are an independent student and many go to section 4. Otherwise, you are considered a dependent student and must complete section 3.**

## 3. STUDENT FAMILY INCOME (IN CANADIAN FUNDS)

(Similar information is required on a student loan application)

### Dependant Student Family Income:

Please indicate the number of dependents in your parents' household for the 2005-06 school year:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Dependents include yourself, your parents, and anyone under age 19 or over age 19 who are attending school)

Mother's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

### Married Student Family Income:

Spouses Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Combined Parents Net Income or Combined Spouses income (check one): from Line 236 on your T1 General tax form

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| <input type="radio"/> under \$10,000       | <input type="radio"/> \$10,000 to \$14,999 | <input type="radio"/> \$15,000 to \$19,999 | <input type="radio"/> \$20,000 to \$24,999 |
| <input type="radio"/> \$26,000 to \$29,999 | <input type="radio"/> \$30,000 to \$35,999 | <input type="radio"/> \$36,000 to \$41,999 | <input type="radio"/> \$42,000 to \$59,999 |
| <input type="radio"/> \$60,000 to \$79,999 | <input type="radio"/> \$80,000 to \$99,999 | <input type="radio"/> over \$100,000       |  |

## 4. DECLARATION

I hereby make application for a bursary to be applied to expenses at Columbia Bible College for the following period: \_\_\_\_\_ (month/year to month/year). The information given in this application is complete and is an accurate representation of my financial status.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(For dependent applicants)

Send your completed Columbia Bible College Financial Aid Application Form to:

Columbia Bible College Financial Aid Department  
2940 Clearbrook Rd  
Abbotsford, BC V2T 2Z8  
Fax: 1-604-853-3063

*Columbia Bible College is extremely grateful for the financial support of the College by the two supporting Conferences and many individual donors. Their efforts and commitment to the College allow student fees to be established at approximately 60% of actual cost!*

*Columbia Bible College Student Employment is available for application through the College Career Centre.*

*For Columbia Bible College student fees, please see your Columbia Catalogue or visit [www.columbiabc.edu/admissions/fees.html](http://www.columbiabc.edu/admissions/fees.html)*

◆ **If you have not received an email acknowledging the receipt of your application within three weeks of submitting it, please contact Student Aid to check on the status of your application.**

For questions regarding this form or other financial information, please contact your Columbia Bible College Student Aid Advisor at: 1-800-283-0881 or email: [Student.Aid@columbiabc.edu](mailto:Student.Aid@columbiabc.edu).

# COLUMBIA BIBLE COLLEGE

## The Freshman Single Parent Family (SPF) Bursary

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ S.I.N #: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE NOTE:

1. The recipient must be a Freshman (1st Year) student coming from a single parent family.
2. The recipient must be a sincere student able to demonstrate financial need and have a minimum High School GPA of 2.5
3. The recipient must be taking a minimum of 12 credit hours.
4. The amount of the bursary is \$500 (@\$250 per semester)

1. What program of studies are you applying for?

iCert  QUEST  Diploma \_\_\_\_\_  B.A. \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your home situation:

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### 2. FINANCIAL RESOURCES

**Estimated resources for the Academic Year—September/06—April/07**

Will you be applying for a Student Loan/Line of Credit?  Yes  No

Confirmed NON-CBC Bursaries/Scholarships \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Savings at Jan 06 or Sept 07 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Assistance from parents and/or relatives \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Study Period Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Specify \_\_\_\_\_

**Gross Income from all sources :** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Net Income:

under \$10,000  \$10,000 to \$14,999  \$15,000 to \$19,999  \$20,000 to \$24,999

\$26,000 to \$29,999  \$30,000 to \$35,999  \$36,000 to \$41,999  \$42,000 to \$59,999

\$60,000 to \$79,999  \$80,000 to \$99,999  over \$100,000

**Send or fax your completed application form by May 31st to:**

Columbia Bible College- Financial Aid Department  
2940 Clearbrook Rd Abbotsford, BC V2T 2Z8 Fax: 604-853-3063

- ◆ **If you have not received an email acknowledging the receipt of your application within three weeks of submitting it, please contact Student Aid to inquire regarding the status of your application.**  
**student.aid@columbiabc.edu 1-800-283-0881 / 604-853-3358**

# Columbia Bible College Conference Discount Application

2940 Clearbrook Rd  
Abbotsford, BC V2T 2Z8  
Phone: 604-853-3358 Fax: 604-853-3063

## (For BC students only)

Columbia Bible College is supported by two BC conferences: Mennonite Brethren and Conference of Mennonites. For purposes of determining who qualifies for this discount, the student must meet one of the following criteria:

- 1) Must be an **active** member or adherent of one of the supporting constituency churches over the last six months, or
- 2) Their parent(s) must be a **member** of one of the supporting constituency churches.

Students will receive a discount of \$5 per credit hour (approximate discount of \$85 per semester).

In order to receive this discount, this form must be signed by your pastor and returned to the Columbia Bible College Finance Department.

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This is to verify that \_\_\_\_\_ qualifies for  
(Students name)

a conference discount because either the student and / or the students

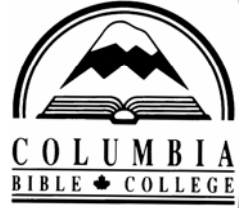
parent(s) attend \_\_\_\_\_  
(Church's name)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

Pastor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# Leadership Scholarship Program



Columbia is committed to building into the lives of our future leaders.

One way in which we do this is to award up to 5 scholarships each year to incoming students who are starting the first year of a four year Bachelor of Arts degree.

Selected students who meet the criteria are awarded an annual \$1000 scholarship. This scholarship is renewable each year, provided the continuation criteria are met. This results in a potential scholarship of \$4000 per student.

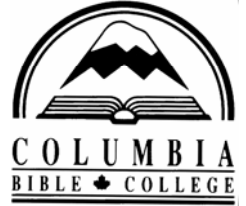
The students are mentored by a member of the college administrative team (e.g. president, academic dean, etc) and are expected to be involved in leadership on campus during their time of study with us.

Please read the information, and if you feel you meet the criteria for this scholarship, we invite you to complete this application and return it in a self-addressed envelope with your other forms.

The deadline for submitting an application is May 31st.

Please submit your application to:  
Financial Aid Department  
Columbia Bible College  
2940 Clearbrook Rd  
Abbotsford, BC  
V2T 2Z8  
Canada

# Leadership Scholarship Program



## **Description:**

This scholarship is available to first year students who are entering year one of a four-year Bachelor of Arts program at Columbia Bible College.

The amount of the scholarship is \$1000 per year (\$500 per semester) for the four years the student is studying at Columbia.

The student will be mentored by the President during his or her four years at Columbia, and is expected to be involved in areas of leadership at the college.

The student must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3 during his or her studies at Columbia.

## *Criteria for award:*

- Applicant's high school grades must show a minimum GPA of 3.3 (B+ average) in the Grade 12 year.
- Applicant must have been involved in leadership in his or her school and or church.
- Applicant must intend to complete the four-year Bachelor of Arts Program at Columbia.
- Interview with Student Aid Committee.

## **Continuance:**

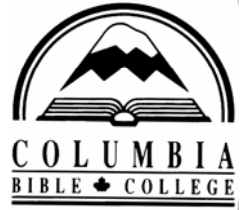
- Student must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3.
- Student will continue to be mentored by the college President.
- Student will be involved in leadership in the CBC community.
- Student must sign and adhere to the Leadership Covenant, which accompanies this award.

## **Discontinuance:**

- Annual Cumulative GPA falls below 3.3 – reviewed in Spring.
- Unwillingness to be involved in leadership on campus.
- Lifestyle/discipline issues of a serious nature which conflict with the college's community standards.
- Failing to adhere to the guidelines of the Leadership Covenant.

## **Appeal:**

A student who faces discontinuance from this program may appeal the decision to the Student Aid Committee. The appeal must be filed within 30 days of the notice of discontinuance.



# Leadership Covenant

## For Leadership Scholarship Members

1. To be faithful in the nurture of my own spiritual life through the regular practice of spiritual disciplines, especially Bible reading, prayer and meditation and through regular participation in corporate fellowship both at college and in a believer's church.
2. To be faithful in attending Leadership Group meetings and be an active participant in them.
3. To exercise spiritual watchcare in the group—to be held accountable to the group and the mentor; to be willing to receive admonition as well as give it; to encourage, comfort and uplift one another, bearing one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2).
4. To build community life by regular participation in chapel, dorm meetings (if living on campus) and other community building events.
5. To be a positive, affirming and up building presence both on campus and off campus, always practicing a spirit of servant hood.

*I hereby commit myself to live by this covenant.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

