

THE EDUCATION ..... THE FUNDS  
YOU WANT. .... YOU NEED.

MANITOBA  
STUDENT **AID**

[manitobastudentaid.ca](http://manitobastudentaid.ca)

Program Year 2023-2024

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Manitoba 

# What is **Manitoba** **Student Aid**?

**Manitoba Student Aid is a federal and provincial program that provides supplemental financial assistance to help pay for **full-time** and **part-time** post-secondary education costs.**



# Plan Ahead

# How will you **Pay** for your education?

- Your school (Financial Aid and Awards Office)
- Research other awards, scholarships, bursaries, and grants
- Your parents' or guardians' workplace
- Community organizations
- Indigenous organizations
- Sponsorship Agencies

# How will you **Pay** for your education? - cont'd

- **Student contribution** (ex. job earnings, savings, RESP, RRSP, etc.)
- **Family/Parental contribution**
- **Bank loans, lines of credit**
- **Manitoba Student Aid**



# Am I Eligible?

# Eligibility Criteria

- Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or Protected Person status
- Manitoba resident
- Must attend a designated post-secondary school and program that lead to a certificate, diploma or degree  
(Check list of schools on the [Manitoba Student Aid](#) website by clicking on **PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE?** then **IS MY SCHOOL DESIGNATED?**)
- Program length - minimum 12 weeks

# If your school is **not** designated...

- If your school or program has not been designated by Manitoba Student Aid (MSA), you cannot receive student aid for it until it is designated.
- Your school will need to complete and submit the appropriate designation application. To obtain the designation applications, visit the [Information for Educational Institutions](#) section of the MSA website.

*NOTE: Deadline to apply and submit all required information for MSA funding is no later than 45 days before your period of study ends. MSA cannot release any funds after your period of study end date.*



# What's Available to Me?

What is available at

# Manitoba Student Aid?

Eligible students are automatically assessed for:

- Grants
- Bursaries
- Loans

# **Non-Repayable Canada Student Grants (CSG) and Bursaries**

- **CSG for Full-time Students**
- **CSG for Persons with Dependants**
- **CSG for Part-time Studies**
- **CSG for Part-Time Students with Dependants**
- **Manitoba Bursary** (Indigenous learners who self-identify may be eligible for additional Manitoba Bursary)

# **Non-Repayable Canada Student Grants (CSG)**

- **CSG for Students with Disabilities\***
- **CSG for Services and Equipment - Students with Disabilities\***

*\*Verification of disability (e.g. mental health, learning disabilities, physical disabilities, etc.) required in order to qualify for this funding*

# Repayable Student Loans

up to a maximum of \$500\* per week of study

**Canada Student Loan (CSL)** up to \$300\*/week

**Manitoba Student Loan (MSL)** up to \$200\*/week

17 weeks = \$8,500

34 weeks = \$17,000

52 weeks = \$26,000

*\*Effective August 1, 2023*

# **Advantages** of a Government Student Loan

- **No interest**
- **No payments until 6 months** after last full-time studies end



# How Much Will I Get?

# Full-Time funding includes **school and living costs**

## Costs

- Tuition
- Books, Supplies and Fees
- Living Allowance



## Resources

- Student contribution
- Scholarships and Bursaries
- Government and private funding
- Parental contribution



## Assessed Financial Need

### Awards

*up to the maximum allowable amount*

# Part-Time funding includes **school costs, daycare, and transportation**

- Based on gross family income and family size



# How Do I Apply?

# Should I apply for **Full-Time** or **Part-Time** studies?

## Full-Time Studies

- Registered for minimum 60% course load each term OR 100% course load if attending a private vocational school\*
- Apply online ([www.manitobastudentaid.ca](http://www.manitobastudentaid.ca))
- For more info, visit [Full-Time Students: How Do I Get My Funding?](#)

## Part-Time Studies

- Registered for 20-59% course load in each term\*
- Apply using paper application ([www.manitobastudentaid.ca](http://www.manitobastudentaid.ca))
- For more info, visit [Part-Time Students: How Do I Get My Funding?](#)

*\*Students with a verified permanent disability or a persistent or prolonged disability may be considered full-time at a reduced course load.*

**NOTE:** *Deadline to apply and submit all required information is no later than 45 days before your period of study ends. Manitoba Student Aid cannot release any funds after your period of study end date.*

# Applying for Manitoba Student Aid for Full-Time studies

- Create a Manitoba Student Aid (MSA) online portal user account
- Applications available **online in JUNE**
- OK to submit an application even if you aren't officially registered in your program
- Required Information:
  - Designated post-secondary school and program
  - Applicant and/or Parental income
  - Canadian bank account information in your name
- You must submit a separate application for each school year
- Deadline to apply and submit all required information is no later than **45 days before your period of study ends**. MSA cannot release any funds after your period of study end date.



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You have questions. We have answers!

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REPAYING STUDENT LOANS?

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CREATE AN ACCOUNT >

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## Important Information

### Manitoba Student Aid 2021/22 Applications

Students who have applied for the 2021/22 program year and have not received their funding should email [manitobastudentaid@gov.mb.ca](mailto:manitobastudentaid@gov.mb.ca) with the Subject Line: **2021/22 Application issue - file #** and Manitoba Student Aid will fast track these emails on a priority basis.

Effective immediately, Manitoba Student Aid is not able to accept documents at the Brandon office location. Students who wish to submit documents that require **signatures in ink** at the Brandon office, should mail their documents to:

Manitoba Student Aid  
401-1181 Portage Ave.  
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3G 0T3

**Note:** A drop box is also available at the Winnipeg location (East side of the building beside the Wall Street entrance).

Please refer to your Manitoba Student Aid online portal to determine which documents require signatures in ink. You may submit documents that do not require an ink signature by email: [manitobastudentaid@gov.mb.ca](mailto:manitobastudentaid@gov.mb.ca)

**NEW** The Manitoba Student Aid application is available to full time students attending classes during the 2022/23 application year. To avoid delays in processing your application, apply now!

### Now Available

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### Quick Access

- [COVID-19 updates](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Full-Time Students: How Do I Get My Funding?](#)
- [Part-Time Students: How Do I Get My Funding?](#)
- [Manitoba Student Aid Forms](#)



# Application Checklist

Found under tab: APPLYING FOR STUDENT AID? What information do I need?

## Required Information for Manitoba Student Aid's Online Application



This document provides a checklist of the information required to submit an online application.

### OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION:

- Name, mailing address and phone number(s) of one other contact

### ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

- Program name
- Program start and end date
- Program course load (contact your school if you don't know what it is)
- Educational institution or campus name
- Registrar's email address and costs of your program (in Canadian funds) if attending an out-of-province school
- All post-secondary studies you have taken

### RESOURCES:

- Total income from last year (line 15000 of last year's Income Tax Return)
- Scholarships, bursaries and funding
- Your bank account information (bank transit number, institution number and account number)

### DEPENDENT STUDENTS WILL ALSO REQUIRE:

Note: You are a dependent student unless:

- you have been out of high school four years, or
- you have been in the workforce for at least two periods of 12 months, or
- you are married or living common-law, or
- you are a single parent

- Parents' Social Insurance Number(s)
- Parents' earnings and deductions, located on lines: 15000, 30800, 31200, and 43500 of their last year's Income Tax Return

### MARRIED OR COMMON-LAW STUDENTS WILL ALSO REQUIRE:

- Spouse's Social Insurance Number,
- Spouse's total income from last year (line 15000 of their last year's Income Tax Return)

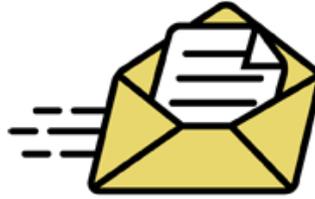
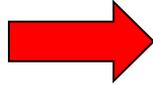
If you have questions or require clarification, please contact Manitoba Student Aid:  
204-945-6321 or toll-free (in Canada and the USA): 1-800-204-1685  
Email: [ManitobaStudentAid@gov.mb.ca](mailto:ManitobaStudentAid@gov.mb.ca)



# The Process



**1) Submit online application**  
(For designated school and program)



**2) Notice of Assistance available online within 2 weeks**  
(List of required documents included)



**3) Return required documents to Manitoba Student Aid and/or National Student Loans Service Centre**



**4) Manitoba Student Aid and National Student Loans Service Centre review documents and confirm enrollment with your school (up to 6 weeks or longer for processing)**



**5) Funding sent to school and/or student**

**Exception:** If your school is located outside of Canada, all your funding will be deposited to the bank account on your file. Funds **cannot** be released before your program starts or after your program ends.



# Pay Back Time

# Repayment

- Repayment begins **6 months** after last full-time studies end
  - Effective July 1, 2023, all loan disbursement and repayment of Manitoba student loans will be managed by the National Student Loans Service Centre (NSLSC). Students will continue to submit new student loan applications, requests for reassessments and appeals for funding to Manitoba Student Aid (MSA) as that part of the MSA program is not changing.
- Interest rates:  
**Manitoba Student Loan: 0%**      **Canada Student Loan: 0%**
- Debt management programs are available
- For more info, contact the [NSLSC](#) at 1-888-815-4514



# Final Reminders

# Plan Ahead

- Discuss your educational/career goals with your family, guidance counselor, etc.

[www.myblueprint.ca](http://www.myblueprint.ca)

- Create a realistic budget and financial plan

[www.canada.ca/en/financial-consumer-agency.html](http://www.canada.ca/en/financial-consumer-agency.html)

- **Apply early** for scholarships and Manitoba Student Aid funding!

- **Your school's Scholarships and Bursaries**

- [www.scholartree.ca](http://www.scholartree.ca)

- [www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com)

- [www.yconic.com](http://www.yconic.com)

- [www.manitobastudentaid.ca](http://www.manitobastudentaid.ca)

For more info, visit [Manitoba Student Aid FAQ](#)

# Contact **Manitoba Student Aid**



**401-1181 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg, MB R3G 0T3  
204-945-6321**

**Monday to Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**Good luck**  
with your planning!