



The Charlie Esson Stewardship Bursary Guidelines 2023

Muskoka Conservancy encourages young people to successfully complete a post-secondary school education related to the Natural Sciences (Biology, Forestry, Environmental Studies) or related Technologies (Wildlife, Forestry, Environmental Engineering). In support of this, Muskoka Conservancy is offering a \$2,000 bursary, known as The Charlie Esson Stewardship Bursary, to assist a student in achieving academic qualifications in these disciplines.

Requirements:

- Applicants must be a permanent resident of Ontario in the geographic boundaries that encompass the District of Parry Sound, and District of Muskoka and an attendee or graduate of one of the six high schools located within those boundaries.
- While priority will be given to applicants entering first year, all undergraduate and graduate students are invited to apply.
- Applicants are required to provide with their application **two supporting letters of recommendation**, e.g. volunteer leader, teacher, employer, community member. Please do not include letters from family members.
- Applicants are encouraged to submit a copy of their **resume** with their application.
- The successful applicant is further required to demonstrate that they are enrolled and attending the course of study specified in the bursary application. Additionally, the bursary will be awarded in two, \$1,000.00 payments with the first \$1,000.00 payable to the successful candidate upon proof of registration and the second installment payable upon proof of attending a second term.
- Application deadline is **Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023 by 4 pm**. Applications are to be forwarded to:
Muskoka Conservancy, Attn: Bursary Award
Mail:
47 Quebec Street, Box 482
Bracebridge, Ontario, P1L 1T8
Email:
info@muskokaconservancy.org
- Digital copies of this application can be downloaded at www.muskokaconservancy.org
- Please direct any questions by phone: 705-645-7393 ext. 200
- Applications are considered incomplete without:
 - Application Form
 - 2 Letters of Recommendation



The Charlie Esson Stewardship Bursary 2023 Application Form

The information provided in this application will be kept confidential. Please type your answers and submit as an attachment to this form. Please be concise. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Name:		
Address:		
Postal Code:	Telephone:	
Email Address:		
College or University Attending:		
Selected Course/Program:		
Full-time	OR	Part-time
Annual Tuition fees:		
Estimated Annual Educational Costs (including books, accommodations, etc.):		
High School & Years Attended:		

1. Explain why you have chosen your course of study and describe any related experience. (200-300 words).
2. Write a paragraph that explains the importance of land trusts. (300-400 words)
3. Please describe your financial need and be specific regarding the resources that are available to you during your post-secondary education (150-250 words).
4. Please describe any other information or special circumstances you wish our selection committee to be aware of when considering your bursary application (200-300 words).
5. Optional: As Muskoka Conservancy strives to increase diversity within its applicants, we encourage applicants to self-identify if they wish. Please include a clear self-identification if you identify as, for example, an Indigenous person, a person with diverse sexual orientation, etc., providing additional information if relevant.