

ABRAHAM LEVENTHAL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Atlantic Jewish Council invites applications from residents of Atlantic Canada for Abraham Leventhal Memorial Scholarships towards **tuition fees** for future post-secondary studies in the Halifax Regional Municipality. The award will normally be to a maximum of \$5000.00 for each application. The biannual application deadlines are May 31st (for studies beginning the following September, or later) and September 30th (for studies beginning the following January, or later). Applicants can apply once in any 12-month period. Abraham Leventhal Memorial Scholarships may be used towards either part-time or full-time studies. **Applications for studies that begin from May to August must be submitted by the September 30th deadline.**

Starting in January of 2021, in order to receive this scholarship, all successful applicants must agree to volunteer a minimum of 18 hours to a/several qualifying Jewish organization(s)* in Atlantic Canada in the 12 months following receipt of this scholarship. Up to 8 of these hours may be spent attending Hillel of Atlantic Canada events for post-secondary students. Successful applicants will be provided more details about this volunteering commitment.

Criteria for Application:

- The applicant must be a resident of Atlantic Canada. For the purposes of this application, this means that the applicant must have resided continuously in an Atlantic Canadian province (Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, or Newfoundland & Labrador) for at least one period of 24 consecutive months, immediately prior to submitting their application, not including any time spent enrolled as a full-time student at a post-secondary institution. (“Full-time student” means that the applicant was enrolled in a post-secondary education program for at least 60% of the regular course load, or 40% if the applicant is disabled, including internships and practicums.)
- Applicants must be attending a post-secondary institution in the Halifax Regional Municipality. Please note that the Halifax institution must be the institution from which the applicant expects to receive a degree/diploma. As well, please note that students studying on a semester/year abroad, or students attending satellite campuses of Halifax-based institutions (e.g. Dalhousie University’s Agricultural Campus) are ineligible for Abraham Leventhal Memorial Scholarships.

If there is a confidential information you wish the committee to consider, we invite you to contact our Executive Director, Naomi Rosenfeld, for an interview. Naomi can be reached at 902-422-7491 x222 or executivedirector@theajc.ca

Please MAIL or HAND-DELIVER your complete application to:

**The Atlantic Jewish Council
5640 Spring Garden Road, Suite 300
Halifax, NS B3J 3M7**

*Qualifying Jewish organizations include: The Atlantic Jewish Council and any of its affiliated programs (Camp Kadimah, JOLT, Hillel, PJ Library, Atlantic Jewish Film Festival, etc.), Beth El Synagogue (St. John’s), Beth Israel Synagogue (Halifax), Chabad of the Maritimes (Halifax), Chabad of Newfoundland (St. John’s), PEI Jewish Community, Saint John Jewish Historical Museum, Sgoolai Israel Synagogue (Fredericton), Shaar Shalom Synagogue (Halifax), Shaarei Zedek Synagogue (Saint John), The Jewish Community Havura (St. John’s), Temple Sons of Israel Synagogue (Sydney), and Tiferes Israel Synagogue (Moncton).

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please note: All applications must be typed. No handwritten applications will be accepted.

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

Province _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone _____

Email Address _____

Post-Secondary Institution _____

Program _____ Year in Program _____

Expected Graduation Date _____

Social Insurance Number _____

If your application is successful, are you comfortable with the AJC publishing your name, institution, program, and photo in *Shalom Magazine*? _____

If your application is successful, do you agree to volunteer a minimum of 18 hours to a/several qualifying Jewish organization(s) in Atlantic Canada in the 12 months following receipt of the scholarship? _____

The cost of tuition for 1-year of your program _____

*(Please list the **tuition costs** only. Do not include any mandatory fees and/or other related costs)*

The total value of all scholarships/subsidies/bursaries received to be used for the next 12-months of your program that may only be applied to tuition costs _____

(Including merit-based scholarships, needs-based scholarships, student bursaries. Please do not include information about loans)

The total value of all scholarships/subsidies/bursaries received to be used for the next 12-months of your program that may be applied to all living/education costs _____

(Including merit-based scholarships, needs-based scholarships, student bursaries. Please do not include information about loans)

Value of the scholarship for which you are applying _____

(Please note: You can request up to a maximum of \$5000.00)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Please briefly answer the following questions in the space provided.

1. Please provide the following information:
 - a. Are you Jewish?

 - b. Are you actively practicing any religion other than Judaism?

 - c. Is/was your mother Jewish?

 - d. Is/was your father Jewish?

2. How long have you lived in Atlantic Canada?

3. Of the years in which you have lived in Atlantic Canada, for how long have you been enrolled as a full-time student in a post-secondary institution?

4. Please describe your Jewish upbringing and your Hebrew/Jewish education (if applicable).
5. Please provide information on scholarships, bursaries, honours, and prizes received during the past three years, indicating year, donor, and amount.
6. Please describe the nature of the program you will be undertaking. Indicate the length of the program (in months) and what (if any) degree/diploma/certificate will be obtained.

7. Please describe your work experience for the previous three years.

8. Please describe your volunteer work and communal involvement for the previous three years.

9. Please list any other interests you may have.

10. In your own words, please describe why you are deserving of this award?

I certify that the information that I have submitted is true.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ DATE _____

Additional Required Documentation

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the following documentation is received by the AJC in a timely manner:

- 1) The most recent transcripts from your current educational institution plus one additional immediate past transcript. Transcripts **MUST** come directly from the educational institution to the Atlantic Jewish Council in sealed envelopes.
- 2) Two written letters of reference from persons other than relatives who are familiar with you in one or all of the following areas: academic, volunteer, employment. At least one letter of reference must be an academic one. Letters of reference must be sent to the Atlantic Jewish Council directly in a sealed envelope.
- 3) A photo that the AJC can publish in *Shalom Magazine* if your application is successful. Please email this photo as an attachment in JPG format to executivedirector@theajc.ca with the subject line "Leventhal Scholarship Photo".