

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 confidential information you wish the committee to consider, we
invite you to contact Aviva, at
902-422-7491 x221 or info@theajc.ca*

Please MAIL or HAND-DELIVER your complete application to:

The Atlantic Jewish Council
Att: *Aviva Rubin-Schneider*
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.

First Name

Last 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, you will be required to complete a minimum of 24 hours of volunteer service to a/several qualifying Jewish organization(s) in Atlantic Canada following receipt of this scholarship. Do you agree to complete 24 hours of service as stipulated by the AJC?

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?
Yes
No
 - b. Are you actively practicing any religion other than Judaism?
Yes
No
 - c. Is/was your mother Jewish?
Yes
No
 - d. Is/was your father Jewish?
Yes
No
2. How long have you lived in Atlantic Canada?

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, and / or employment. (See Definitions)*. 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 info@theajc.ca with the subject line "Leventhal Scholarship Photo".

Definitions:

- **Academic Reference:** An academic reference comes from a teacher, instructor, or professor who can speak about your academic strengths. This should be someone who has taught you recently (i.e. within the last two years). If you are a mature student who has *not* been enrolled in a school or institution in more than five years, please submit two professional references.
- **Professional or Character Reference:** This reference should be written by someone who knows you in a professional capacity and can speak to your qualities as an employee or as a community member (e.g. your manager at work, a supervisor at a volunteer position, etc.). It should not be a member of your family.
- **Official Transcript:** An official transcript is a formal record of your academic background. An official transcript should be sent to the AJC directly by your high school, college, or university. Digital copies of the official transcripts will be accepted.