2021 CFPC Medical Student Scholarships
STUDENT APPLICATION

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The Foundation for Advancing Family Medicine (FAFM) of the
College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and by Scotiabank

Each Canadian medical school is invited to nominate one outstanding medical student who has
demonstrated an interest or commitment to family medicine as a career. Seventeen scholarships of $5,000
will be awarded this year to medical students. In addition, students will receive complimentary
registration and funding up to $1,500 to cover travel and other expenses to attend Family Medicine
Forum (FMF) in Toronto, November 11 to 13, 2021.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Canadian citizens or landed immigrants enrolled in a Canadian medical school
2. Enrolled in the 2022 graduating class
3. In good academic standing

APPLICATION PROCESS:

❑ The deadline for applications is April 13, 2021
❑ Application forms are available from the office of the Dean for Undergraduate Medical Education at
each Canadian medical school and on the CFPC website https://fafm.cfpc.ca/h-a/opportunities-medical-
students/
❑ Completed applications forms must be submitted to your undergraduate dean’s office.
❑ Applications will be reviewed and selection of each school’s nominee for one of these scholarships
will be made by a selection committee at each medical school.
❑ Applications must contain the following:

1. A single page cover letter, in the form of an essay, which outlines why you should be
considered for this award.

2. A focused Curriculum Vitae (maximum 4 pages) that demonstrates evidence of academic and
other special achievements, particularly in relation to family medicine, eg:

   • List of papers and publications in relation to family medicine;
   • List of awards related to family medicine (peer recognition, research and academic
     projects);
   • List of any extra curricular activities related to family medicine (Family Medicine
     Interest Group, family medicine committees, participation in Family Medicine
     Forum, community involvement, etc);
   • Other.
3. Two letters of support from medical faculty members, one of which must be a family physician, are required. These letters of support are an important component in the selection process and should include sufficient information to support the nomination.

**SELECTION PROCESS:**

Nominees to receive a CFPC Medical Student Scholarship will be selected by a selection committee at each medical school from among all applications received by that school’s undergraduate dean’s office. The selection committee should be composed of:

- the Dean for Undergraduate Medical Education
- the Director Undergraduate Education, Department of Family Medicine
- a medical student
- the school representative on the College’s Section of Residents

Upon selection, a signed nomination form, along with the candidate’s complete application form and appendices must be forwarded to the CFPC by June 18, 2021.

**SELECTION CRITERIA:**

The following criteria should be considered:

- The student has shown a genuine interest in family medicine.
- The experiences and electives of the student reflect this interest.
- The student has been involved in family medicine activities (participation in a Family Medicine Interest Group, Rural Family Medicine Interest Group, Family Medicine Forum, other family medicine committees).
- The student has shown leadership in these activities.
- The student has been involved in family medicine academic activities (e.g. articles, posters or other publications related to family medicine and/or the four principles of family medicine).
- The student has been involved in the community and/or community based projects (volunteer involvement in family medicine settings, outreach clinics, high schools, etc.).
- The student possesses excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- The student demonstrates a lifelong commitment to family medicine.

The selection committee is encouraged to include an interview component with the applicants as part of the selection process.

These points should be considered by the school’s selection committee and information regarding each of these attributes and activities should be included with the Nomination Form submitted to the CFPC.

The CFPC’s Honours and Awards Committee will approve the nominations for the scholarships and inform the recipients in July. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed by the office of the Dean.
The deadline for submissions is April 13, 2021
Complete applications and supporting documentation must be submitted to the Undergraduate Dean’s Office of your school.

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| MEDICAL SCHOOL: | YEAR OF STUDY: |
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Signature:

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   - Other.

3. Two Letters of Reference from medical faculty, one of which is from a family physician.

For further information about these scholarships: awards@cfpc.ca