

***Gymnastics  
Nova Scotia***



***Educational Bursary Program***

***2010-2011 Academic Year***

## **GNS Educational Bursary**

The GNS Educational Bursary Program is a financial Bursary funded by the GNS to assist GNS members attending a post-secondary educational institution. Up to four awards of \$500.00 each will be given out annually to active GNS members who exemplify the objectives of GNS, if there are suitable applications.

The Bursaries will be applied towards post-secondary expenses at a recognized Educational Institute. It shall be applied towards full-time studies only.

Candidates will be selected based on a draw and the number of ballots per candidate will be determined based on the information contained in their application form and letters of reference (see ranking scheme).

Any candidate may receive this Bursary only once in their lifetime, however, an unsuccessful candidate may re-apply the following year.

The complete Application package must be submitted by June 25th. Only complete applications will be considered. Late applications will not be considered.

GNS will not return any of the material submitted with Applications.

Only the successful candidates will be notified by July 30<sup>th</sup>

The payment will be made directly to the educational institution and is not transferable.

GNS may, at their option, print, reproduce and publish the successful applicants name and photograph in any medium, without further compensation.

GNS reserves the right to withdraw or modify all or part of this Bursary and application process.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

You must have been a GNS member in "Good Standing" for the past two years.

You must have lived in Nova Scotia for the past two (2) years and be a Canadian citizen or hold landed immigrant status.

You must be registered or attending an accredited Post Secondary educational institute on a full-time basis in order to be eligible for the award. You must attend one semester after the award is received.

## **Selection Committee**

Candidates will be ranked by a committee and receive ballots according to the attached ranking scheme and winners will be determined by a draw. The committee will be selected by the GNS Board of Directors, who will not receive compensation for this committee work. Their involvement is voluntary. Due to the need for impartiality, the names of the committee will not be publicly disclosed until after the selection process is completed. All personal information will be kept confidential and disclosed only to those parties on a need to know basis.

## **Information -To be included in a 400 word TYPED essay**

1. When did your involvement with gymnastics begin?
2. Include gymnastics activities that you have helped to organize or have volunteered with in your local area, regional area, or national area, if applicable.
3. List what gymnastics disciplines you have been involved with and in what capacity. eg. Artistic, trampoline, tumbling / coach, judge, athlete, volunteer
4. Include current gymnastics activities.
5. Why did you choose your field of study?
6. Include your future gymnastics-related plans.
7. In what other community activities are you involved?
8. Please explain why you deserve this award and how it will benefit you.

**Transcript** - Please submit a transcript from most recent educational institute

**Letters of Reference** – Minimum of two – Originals to be included

**PLEASE mail to:**

Gymnastics Nova Scotia  
5516 Spring Garden Road, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Halifax, NS  
B3J 1G6

**Faxed, e-mailed and late applications will not be considered. Applications must be received in the GNS office by Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**

**GNS Educational Bursary Application/Information Form**  
Please PRINT clearly

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last name) (First name)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Age category: 16-25 \_\_\_\_\_ Over 25 \_\_\_\_\_

GNS # \_\_\_\_\_

**High School/Post-Secondary Data**

Name and Address of Educational Institute

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Program Applied For \_\_\_\_\_

School Year \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER**

I hereby acknowledge that all the information supplied is correct and that I have lived in Nova Scotia for the past two (2) years:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Applicant)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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## ***Ranking Scheme for GNS Bursary Applicants***

- A) GNS Athlete – 1pt per year (max 5pts)
- B) GNS Coach – 1pt per year (max 5pts)
- C) GNS Judge – 1pt per year (max 5pts)
- D) Attending post-secondary in Nova Scotia – 2pts
- E) Grade Average – 90 to 100 = 5pts  
85 to 89 = 4pts  
80 to 84 = 3pts  
75 to 79 = 2pts  
70 to 74 = 1pt
- F) Reference Letters (2 required) – 1pt per reference (max 3pts)
- G) Essay (required) – Max of 5pts if well written

### Explanation –

- Fields F and G are required, regardless of how many points have already been accumulated.
- Field F only needs to be fulfilled once, but an applicant can gain points (to a maximum of 3pts) by retrieving more references.
- Field G must be fulfilled.

All successful applicants will be entered into a common pool, from which the recipient will be drawn – The maximum points that can be accumulated is 30.

- 15 to 19 pts = entered one times
- 20 to 24 pts = entered two times
- 25 to 30 pts = entered three times