



NLCU



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

About the NLCU Scholarship Program

The growth of NLCU exemplifies the achievements of people working together in their own communities.

The NLCU Scholarship Program recognizes the contribution of our community builders of tomorrow, celebrating individuals who have been actively engaged in school activities and within their local communities.

Each year, the NLCU Scholarship Program awards two scholarships to Newfoundland and Labrador high school graduates who are NLCU members or children of NLCU members. The program also awards one scholarship, called the Brian F. McDonald Scholarship, to a Newfoundland and Labrador high school graduate who is the child of a current NLCU employee or board member. (A separate application exists for the Brian F. McDonald Scholarship.)

Each scholarship is valued at \$3,000.

Owen Grimes

Memorial Scholarship

The Owen Grimes Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a qualifying Newfoundland and Labrador high school graduate who has shown dedication to sports and volunteerism in their community, and who is enrolled in an accredited college or trade school program with a minimum duration of one (1) year.

This scholarship is named in honour of the late Owen Grimes, who served on NLCU's Board of Directors for over 20 years prior to his sudden passing in 2007. An avid volunteer, Mr. Grimes served his community through his work with many charitable organizations, including the local food bank. He was a prominent member of the sports community in Grand Falls-Windsor and instrumental in establishing its minor baseball program. Provincially, he served as Director on the Newfoundland and Labrador Amateur Baseball Association. He also worked as an off-ice official for minor hockey at local arenas. Mr. Grimes had only one goal in mind when he was volunteering: The development of the youth who benefited from the sports he supported.



Michael W. Boland

Outstanding School and Community Scholarship

The Michael W. Boland Outstanding School and Community Scholarship is awarded to a qualifying Newfoundland and Labrador high school graduate who embodies the qualities of good citizenship and co-operation, and who is enrolled at an accredited university.

In 1965, Michael W. Boland was elected to the board of directors of what is now NLCU. For the next 52 years he served on the board, 36 years of which he served as Board President and Chairperson (1969-71, 1981, and 1984-2017). Within the credit union system, he also served on the boards of the Credit Union Central of Nova Scotia, Credit Union Council of Newfoundland, and Central Alliance of Newfoundland and Labrador Credit Unions.

Throughout his leadership, Mr. Boland consistently demonstrated a firm commitment to co-operative values. His lifelong dedication to, and leadership within, the credit union system made its mark on the evolution of the system at the international, national, and provincial levels, and in particular on the development and growth of NLCU. For his extraordinary dedication to furthering the growth of the credit union movement in this province, Mr. Boland was awarded the Wilf Dawe Pioneer Award by the Credit Union Council of Newfoundland in 1990. In 2025, this scholarship was re-named in his honour.



Eligibility & Qualification

An applicant must meet the following eligibility and qualification requirements to apply for a scholarship:

- Be a member of NLCU or the child of an NLCU member;
- Be a graduate of a Newfoundland and Labrador high school during the spring or fall of the current academic year;
- Be nominated by your school principal on behalf of your school;
- Have an academic average of at least 75%;
- Have demonstrated leadership qualities; and
- Have participated in school and community activities.

In addition to the above requirements, applicants must meet the following specific requirements for whichever scholarship they intend to apply for:

- Owen Grimes Memorial Scholarship:
 - Demonstrated involvement in sports and athletics, either as a player or a support, and;
 - Be enrolled in an accredited college or trade school program with a minimum duration of one (1) year;
- Michael W. Boland Outstanding School and Community Scholarship:
 - Demonstrated outstanding contributions to their school and community, and;
 - Be enrolled at an accredited university.

Note that each scholarship has different requirements for post-secondary enrollment, therefore; applicants may apply to only one of the scholarships.

If you are the child of a current NLCU employees or board director, you are not eligible to apply for either of the above-mentioned scholarships, however; you may be eligible for the Brian F. McDonald Scholarship. Contact your local NLCU branch manager to request an application.

Application Instructions (Please read carefully)

High School Endorsement

This application must be supported by your school principal or scholarship selection committee. Only **one (1) applicant** per 100 graduating students, or part thereof, from each school will be considered for each scholarship.

Required Supporting Documentation

The application must include the following supporting documentation:

1. A signed letter of recommendation from your school principal;
2. An **official high school transcript** OR a printed copy of your PowerSchool transcript certified or signed by your school principal, and;
3. Proof of enrollment at an accredited college or trade school (minimum 1-year duration) or at an accredited university. **IMPORTANT:** A letter of acceptance is **not** proof of enrollment. Proof or confirmation of enrollment provides a list of what courses you have enrolled in for the coming semester.

PLEASE NOTE: Any additional documentation submitted will **not** be considered.

Submitting Your Application

Your completed application and supporting documentation may be submitted to the attention of the NLCU Scholarship Committee in one of following ways:

1. By mail to: **NLCU, 240 Water Street, St. John's, NL, A1C 1B7** or;
2. By email to: scholarships@nlcu.com.

Applications postmarked or received no later than **September 15** will be accepted.

Questions?

Email scholarships@nlcu.com for assistance.

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Name of NLCU Member: _____

NLCU Branch: _____

Member Contact Information:

Street/PO Box: _____

City/Town: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____ Tel: _____ Email: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Applicant Contact Information (skip to "High School" if applicant is the member):

Street/PO Box: _____ City/Town: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____ Tel: _____ Email: _____

High School: _____ Number of Graduating Students: _____

School Address: _____

High School Principal: _____

I completed/will complete Level Three in: _____

I am applying for (select one):

- Owen Grimes Memorial Scholarship
(Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited college or trade school program with a minimum duration of one (1) year.)
- Michael W. Boland Outstanding School and Community Scholarship
(Applicant must be enrolled at an accredited university.)

I have included the following supporting documents:

- A signed letter of recommendation from my high school principal.
- An official high school transcript OR a printed copy of my PowerSchool transcript certified or signed by my high school principal.
- Proof of enrollment to an accredited college or trade school (minimum 1-year duration) or at an accredited university.

Signature of Applicant

NLCU Scholarship Application

Describe your involvement in sport activities during Levels I, II and III of high school only. To ensure a fair evaluation process, only the information on this form(s) will be considered. Photocopy to list more activities.

SPORTS/RECREATION (hockey, basketball, coaching, event planning, etc.)

Organization Name: _____

Dates Involved: From _____ To _____ Leader Participant (please check one)

Description: _____

Organization Name: _____

Dates Involved: From _____ To _____ Leader Participant (please check one)

Description: _____

Organization Name: _____

Dates Involved: From _____ To _____ Leader Participant (please check one)

Description: _____

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Describe your involvement in school activities during Levels I, II and III of high school only. To ensure a fair evaluation process, only the information on this form(s) will be considered. Photocopy to list more activities.

SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT (student council, debating club, prom committee, tutoring, etc.) - indicate paid or unpaid.

Organization Name: _____

Dates Involved: From _____ To _____ Leader Participant (please check one)

Description: _____

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Description: _____

Organization Name: _____

Dates Involved: From _____ To _____ Leader Participant (please check one)

Description: _____

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Describe your involvement in community activities during Levels I, II and III of high school only. To ensure a fair evaluation process, only the information on this form(s) will be considered. Photocopy to list more activities.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (volunteer work, church groups, charity work, scouting, guiding, etc.) - indicate paid or unpaid.

Organization Name: _____

Dates Involved: From _____ To _____ Leader Participant (please check one)

Description: _____

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