



GLOBAL SKILLS OPPORTUNITY AWARD

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DESCRIPTION

The Global Skills Opportunity Award is funded by the Government of Canada's Outbound Student Mobility Pilot Program through Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) in partnership with British Columbia Institute of Technology, and is administered jointly by Universities Canada and Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan). While open to all Canadian or Permanent Residents, the program targets underrepresented students who identify as Indigenous, low-income students, and students with disabilities. To assist BCIT students with the cost of study or work integrated learning abroad, selected participants may be eligible to receive up to CAD \$10,000.00 per student. The amount of funding you qualify for is determined based on financial need, the length of your international experience, and destination costs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The student must be:

- 18 years of age or older.
- Citizen or permanent resident of Canada. International students are not eligible for funding.
- Enrolled as a full-time or Flexible Learning student who have completed at least six (6) credits at BCIT with no Fail, Unsatisfactory, or Incomplete grade at the time of study or work integrated learning abroad experience.
- Enrolled in a BCIT credential program that is eligible for StudentAid BC (credential programs lead to a certificate, diploma or degree).
- Must complete the Global Skills Opportunity Award application form.
- Applications will be accepted and reviewed by the selection committee on an on-going basis.

As funds are limited, they are awarded to those students who demonstrate that they have exhausted all sources of financial assistance. If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please speak to your program head or email the selection committee for assistance at globalskillsmobility@bcit.ca

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection committee will consider the following criteria in their decision process.

- While available to all students, special consideration will be given to students who fall into the following specific target groups:
 - Low-income students
 - Indigenous students
 - Students with disabilities
- A clear link between the proposed international experience to:
 - their current program
 - educational/future goals
 - strengthening the relevant skills with the integration of digital learning and work strategies

As part of the funding criteria, you will be required to attend a pre-departure training session. You also agree to enter pre-departure information required by CICan after being accepted and invited into their website and to write your own personal report of your activities and learnings to be uploaded to CICan site within two weeks after travel.

***No grades will be awarded until this is complete.

AWARDS SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION

Students that withdraw, reduce their course load, or no longer meet the Global Skills Opportunity Award eligibility criteria may have to forfeit all or part of their award. This decision will be made by the selection committee. A cancelled award will be charged against the student's BCIT account. Award funding is also subject to cancellation by the funder.

AWARD RESULTS

The status of your award application will be emailed to your student email account.

| PERSONAL DATA | | | |
|---|---------------------------|--|---|
| BCIT ID | | SIN | |
| Last Name | | First Name | |
| Mailing Address | | City | |
| Province | | Postal Code | |
| Telephone Number | BCIT Email | Secondary Email | |
| Program Name | | Options | Year: <input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 |
| Internship Type <input type="radio"/> Virtual <input type="radio"/> In-person | | Attending <input type="radio"/> Full-time <input type="radio"/> Flexible Learning (at least 6 credits in good standing at the time of application) | |
| Dates of Travel | International Destination | Partner Institution | Amount Requested |
| Do you identify as <input type="radio"/> First Nations <input type="radio"/> Metis <input type="radio"/> Inuit | | Are you registered with Indigenous Services at BCIT? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No | |
| Are you a student with permanent disability? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No | | Are you registered with BCIT Accessibility Services and receiving accommodations? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No | |
| Are you a refugee? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No | | From Where? | |
| Are you a: <input type="radio"/> Canadian Citizen <input type="radio"/> Permanent Resident | | | |
| FINANCIAL SUPPORT | | | |
| GOVERNMENT STUDENT LOANS (BC AND OUT OF PROVINCE RESIDENTS) | | | |
| Have you applied or been accessed by StudentAid BC or out of province loans for the current academic term? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No | | | |
| If no, please explain why. Please provide information demonstrating the need for financial support to study or work integrated learning abroad. (Not to exceed 1000 characters) | | | |
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BCIT collects your personal information including your contact information, educational and financial information for the purpose of awarding awards to eligible students.

DECLARATION

- I understand that I am applying for funding based on financial need, and that by signing below it means: I certify that the information I have provided on this application is complete and accurate. Information will be reviewed and verified by BCIT Financial Aid.
- I am, and will continue to be, a full-time or Flexible Learning student at the time of this application.

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| Signature | Date |
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EXPENSES

As part of your application for this award, please indicate where the award will be used for. Examples of Physical and Virtual Mobility expenses that could be covered include student's tuition, dependant care, transportation (in Canada and abroad), accommodations during your outbound experience, participation costs, software expenses, equipment and hardware requirements, inclusion and accessibility tools (closed captioning, translations), others (please specify) (Not to exceed 250 characters)

ABOUT YOU

How closely is this international experience linked to your program of studies? (Not to exceed 1000 characters)

How does this international experience develop your digital transformation competencies or perspectives? (Not to exceed 1000 characters)

DECLARATION

I confirm that I am applying for the Global Skills Opportunity Award and certify that the information I have provided in this application is true and complete and that I meet the eligibility criteria outlined on page 1.

- I authorize the selection committee to verify the information contained in this application, and attach via email any supporting documentation I have supplied, with relevant post-secondary educational institution(s) within and outside of British Columbia. I further consent to the release of information from those sources that may be approached by the selection committee to verify the information I have provided. (See Note below regarding protection of personal information.)
- I understand that all documents submitted to the selection committee as a part of my application become the property of the selection committee and will not be returned to me regardless of the outcome of my application, except by special request.
- I understand that Global Skills Opportunity relies on award recipients to assist in the promotion of its award programs. Therefore, should I be a successful applicant, I consent to the publishing of my name in support of the selection committee efforts and to the sharing of my name with my post-secondary institution and funder so that congratulations, materials and invitations to events recognizing my accomplishments can be sent to me.

Signature

Date