

Rutherford Scholarship

Alexander Rutherford High School Achievement Scholarship

Alexander Rutherford had the distinction of being Alberta's first Premier. He was known for his strong support of public education, particularly the University of Alberta, and his active involvement in community affairs. This scholarship named in his honour, rewards exceptional academic achievement at the senior high school level and encourages students to pursue post-secondary studies.

Purpose:

To recognize and reward academic achievement at the senior high school level and to encourage students to pursue post-secondary studies.

Value:

Up to \$2,500

Eligibility:

To receive this scholarship, you must meet all of these eligibility criteria:

- be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- be an Alberta resident; You or your parent(s) must have resided in Alberta during the qualifying grade(s).
- be enrolled full-time in a post-secondary program of at least one semester in length, or an apprenticeship program.

*Note: Applicants must also have completed high school on or after September 30, 1980.

Selection:

A student must have a minimum combined average based on five designated courses in at least one grade: Grade 10, 11 or 12. A student does not need to meet this average in all three school years or in all courses to qualify for a portion of the scholarship. The minimum average, value of the award, and courses that can be used depend on the year the student graduated. For further information, see:

- [Alexander Rutherford 2015 Course Requirements](#)

How to Apply

Student Aid Alberta is making applying for the Alexander Rutherford High School Achievement Scholarship easier by implementing a new online application process, and so you need to be aware of the following:

- The new online application for Alexander Rutherford will be available in early July.
- Paper copies of the Alexander Rutherford application are no longer being accepted.
- No more application deadlines! Apply online anytime – once you have been accepted by your preferred post-secondary institution.
- Existing awards amount, standards for academic merit and excellence does not change.
- Recipients of the Rutherford Scholars Award will be notified after February 1, 2016.

For more on Alexander Rutherford, visit the Legislative Assembly of Alberta:

- [The Honourable Alexander Rutherford](#)

Alberta Scholarships Information is Moving!

In addition to the recent move of the Alexander Rutherford Scholarship information, all Alberta scholarships and bursaries information – and their related applications – will be moved from the Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) website to the Student Aid Alberta website this spring. Until then, information for all other existing scholarships and bursaries is available at:

- alis.alberta.ca/scholarships