



## Youth Empowerment Scholarship Initiative Society

This form to be completed and mailed to:

Youth Empowerment Scholarship Initiative Society  
202 - 15388 - 24 Avenue,  
Surrey, BC V4A 2J2

The completed form may also be scanned and sent to:  
[info@yesishelps.ca](mailto:info@yesishelps.ca)

The application deadline is:  
July 2nd, 2017.

Total number of awards:  
5 Awards of \$1000

This scholarship is intended to help post-secondary students in British Columbia who have had experiences with mental illness (whether directly (personally) or indirectly (a friend or family member has mental illness)), or who have a desire to work in the field of mental health.

As such, it is less focused on academic achievements than it is on personal characteristics, experiences, and achievements. If there is any additional information you feel is important but isn't covered in the application, please do not hesitate to attach an additional document to the application.

The scholarships will be sent directly to your educational institution to help your tuition. While we thank everyone for applying, only successful candidates will be contacted.



### **Eligibility Criteria**

- ☐ You must be a resident of British Columbia.***
  
- ☐ You must be enrolled in a post-secondary institution for the school year 2017/2018 school year (college, technical school, trade school, undergraduate and graduate students etc. are all welcome to apply) in British Columbia.***
  
- ☐ You must have achieved a minimum GPA of 2.3/4.0 in your last academic year year of academic study for applicants currently in post-secondary. For applicants who have only completed high school, the minimum average is 65 percent.***
  
- ☐ You have, either directly or indirectly, had personal experiences with mental illness, or have the desire to work in mental health in some capacity.***



## Scholarship Application

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Date of Birth:**

**Phone Number:**

**E-mail address:**

**Gender:**

**Current Post-Secondary Program:**

**Current Post-Secondary Institution:**

**Academic History:**

<b>Years</b>	<b>Institution</b>	<b>Course of Study</b>

*Please take some space below to discuss each of your previous educational experiences, and what you have taken from them. This is an open-ended question and there are no right or wrong answers. If you need additional space, please attach an additional page.*

**Work History:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Employer</b>

*Please take some space below to discuss what each of your work experiences have entailed. This is an open-ended question and there are no right or wrong answers. If you need additional space, please attach an additional page.*

**Extra-curricular Activities:**

*This can include hobbies, volunteering, sports, or anything you do in life outside of school and work that you value.*

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Activity</b>

*Please take some space below to discuss what each of your extra-curricular have entailed. This is an open-ended question and there are no right or wrong answers. If you need additional space, please attach an additional page.*

**Awards:**

*Have you received an award or recognition? This is the place to note it.*

<b>Month/Year</b>	<b>Award</b>



### Checklist

- 500-1500-word essay on your personal experiences with mental illness. This is not limited to having experienced mental illness personally, but may also include experiences with mental illness through your work, education, family experiences. You may also discuss perceptions of mental illness. Perhaps if you are interested in a career in mental health you could discuss why?
- 500-1500-word essay on what you would like to take from your educational experience. This is not limited to your career aspirations.
- A copy of your current transcripts.
- Confirmation of enrollment in the upcoming year at your intended post-secondary institution.
- Two reference letters. At least one from a professor, teacher, supervisor, coach etc. The second can be anyone who knows you well, and is not restricted to professors, employers, teachers etc.

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Date

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Signature