

BC Hydro Peace Region

Coordinator of Occupational Safety and Health Scholarship Application

Accepted January 28 to April 1, 2008

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Summary of Program

BC Hydro will award a scholarship to a resident or an Aboriginal person of Hudson's Hope and the surrounding areas interested in pursuing the 2-year Occupational Health & Safety Diploma offered at the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT). Upon graduation from the program, BC Hydro may employ the candidate as a Coordinator of Occupational Safety and Health (COSH) Trainee.

Criteria

- BC Hydro will provide the successful candidate with a scholarship, partial tuition reimbursement and partial book reimbursement toward a 2-year Occupational Health & Safety (OSH) Diploma from BCIT. Specifically, BC Hydro will provide a \$2,000 general scholarship and reimbursement of up to 75% of the cost of books and tuition. The total maximum value of this scholarship is up to \$12,475.
- The successful candidate will make a 6 year time commitment to BC Hydro: two-year BCIT program, and four years employment with BC Hydro as a COSH based in Hudson's Hope (two years as a COSH Trainee, two years as a COSH).
- While studying, the candidate will be provided summer employment with BC Hydro at the Gordon Merritt Shrum (GMS) Generating Station.

Details of Program

BC Hydro scholarships are awarded to select B.C. students who are leaders and role models in their schools and communities. BC Hydro supports applicants who demonstrate a balanced lifestyle and commitment to a post-secondary education in Occupational Health and Safety.

The total cost of books for the two-year program is currently estimated to be \$2,865 and cost of tuition is \$11,100. Therefore, BC Hydro will reimburse up to \$2,150 for books and up to \$8,325 for tuition, paid in instalments upon successful completion of each course in the program.

Any reimbursement for books and tuition is subject to 100% repayment by the candidate if he/she declines an offer by BC Hydro of employment to work at the GMS Generating Station upon graduation from the program. If the candidate accepts regular employment at GMS and is terminated for cause or voluntarily leaves the position of COSH Trainee or COSH at GMS in the first 4 years of employment, the candidate will repay BC Hydro a prorated repayment amount based on the length of time the candidate worked. The scholarship is not subject to repayment if BC Hydro does not offer employment at GMS upon graduation or terminates the candidate's employment without cause.

Eligibility

Scholarship applications will be accepted from residents and Aboriginal peoples of Hudson's Hope and the surrounding areas who plan to pursue a fulltime post secondary education in Occupational Health and Safety. Students who have previously received a BC Hydro scholarship will not be eligible. Please note that scholarships are for the next school year and cannot be deferred from one year to the next. Upon acceptance in to the Occupational Health and Safety program, you must remain in the same program to be eligible. If the candidate changes programs, the amount the candidate has received of the scholarship will be repaid in full to BC Hydro.

- Candidates must be residents or Aboriginal peoples of Hudson's Hope and the surrounding areas who have demonstrated a commitment to their community.
- Candidates must be in good academic standing and be enrolled in or accepted in the BCIT COSH Diploma program.

How to Apply

The following information must be included, **in duplicate**, to be considered for the scholarship:

1. Completed application form.
2. Reference letter from a teacher or faculty member, if currently in school.
3. Cover letter describing why you are a good candidate for the scholarship.
4. Current official transcript of Grade 12 and/or post secondary institution.
5. Resumé.
6. Essay about why you are pursuing this career path (maximum 300 words).

Applications accepted January 28, to April 1, 2008 (post marked on or before April 1, 2008) to:

BC Hydro

Community Investment – Scholarships,

16th Floor, 333 Dunsmuir Street,

Vancouver, B.C. V6B 5R3

For further information, please call 604 623-4158, or visit www.bchydro.com/scholarships.

Personal Information (Print or type all information except signature)

The information provided in this application will be kept confidential and will be used only for the purpose of assessing the applicant's eligibility for a scholarship in the above scholarship programs.

Name: _____ Permanent address: _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

Number of years in B.C.: _____ City: _____ Postal code: _____

Additional information for Aboriginal applicants:

I, (print name) _____ do hereby certify that I am of Aboriginal ancestry.

Signature _____ Date _____

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1. **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION** *(Please attach your most recent high school, college or university official transcript)*

List in chronological order all of the institutions you have attended, starting with secondary school through to your present program.

Institution	Years attended From/To	Program/Faculty
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2. **For Grade 12 students only:** Please indicate your planned field of study and the post-secondary institution where you plan to register and the date you will start classes.

3. Your individual financial needs will be considered to some extent. If you would like to volunteer information for consideration, please provide details of your financial needs.

4. Describe what led you to choose your field of study and elaborate on your career goals.

5. Describe volunteer positions you have held, including length of time in each position.

6. Outline your extracurricular activities, interests and achievements.

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7. Describe a challenging situation where you have shown leadership and/or teamwork at school or in your community.

8. Any other relevant information.

I have included all attachments with this form, and a duplicate set, and declare that the information is complete and correct.

Date _____ Student signature _____

Consent of parent or guardian for applicants under the age of 19:

I, (print name) _____, of (address) _____

being the parent or guardian of the person named above, consent to the above-named student applying for a BC Hydro scholarship and to the disclosure of personal information for use during this application process only.

Signature of parent or guardian _____ Date _____