

Lupus Canada William Birchall Foundation 2026 Scholarship Application Form

Application Process

Applicants must submit all required supporting materials compiled into a **single PDF file** no later than **May 29, 2026**.

- A complete application form in a single pdf file (other formats will not be accepted).
- Completion of the following (maximum length per section 300 words)
 - Educational and Career Goals
 - Impact of Lupus on Student Life
 - Scholarship Benefit
 - Lived Experience and Advocacy
 - Financial Need
 - Extracurricular Activities and Community Involvement
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher, school official, professional colleague, or employer describing your unique qualities and how you overcome the limitations of living with lupus.
- An official academic transcript from your most recent year of education;
- Confirmation of your diagnosis of lupus from a physician; and,
- An interview by phone with the Lupus Canada Scholarship Selection Committee may be conducted at their discretion.

Please note that components of the application will need to be completed by the student, a school official or professional colleague, and your treating physician.

Incomplete or late applications will be ineligible for consideration.

Application Deadline: May 29, 2026

Scholarship Value: \$2,500 CDN

Number of Awards: 10

1. Applicant Information

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City / Province / Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

2. Academic Information

Current Institution: _____

Intended Program of Study: _____

Year of Study: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Current GPA (or equivalent): _____

Enrollment Status: Full-time Part-time

3. Eligibility Confirmation

Please check all that apply:

- I confirm that I meet the eligibility criteria for this scholarship.
- I am a Canadian citizen or permanent resident (if applicable).
- I understand that proof of eligibility may be requested.

4. Personal Statement

Please answer the following questions.

Maximum 300 words per section.

Educational and Career Goals

Describe your educational objectives and the career path you hope to pursue.

Impact of Lupus on Student Life

Explain how living with lupus has affected your day-to-day experiences as a student and the challenges you have faced.

Scholarship Benefit

Describe how receiving this scholarship will support your academic success and personal development.

Lived Experience and Advocacy

Share how your personal experience with lupus has shaped your perspective and how you plan to use your voice and skills to advocate for lupus and raise awareness in your community and beyond.

6. Extracurricular Activities and Community Involvement

Please list relevant volunteer activities, leadership roles, advocacy work, or community involvement.



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7. Health Background

To be completed by a physician who can confirm the lupus diagnosis or alternatively physician may attach own letter of proof of diagnosis.

I certify that this applicant has been diagnosed with lupus and is under my medical care.

Name _____

Office Address _____ City _____

Province _____ Postal Code _____ Telephone _____

Signature _____ Credentials _____

Date ____/____/____

Email _____

8. Supporting Documentation

Please include the following with your application:

- Academic transcript
- Proof of enrollment
- Letter(s) of reference from teacher, school official, professional colleague, or employer.

9. Declaration and Consent

- I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete.
- I consent to the collection and use of my information for the purpose of administering this scholarship.
- I understand that recipients of this scholarship will serve as Lupus Ambassadors and will be asked to provide a brief testimonial, headshot, and participate in communications related to the scholarship.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Submission Instructions

Please submit your completed application and supporting documents by May 29, 2026 to:
info@lupuscanada.org.