

# The RBC Royal Bank Scholarship for New Canadians

## Sample Application



Please note that the sample application PDF is available only to help you collect and organize your information and will not be accepted as an official application form.

### Section One: Contact & Citizenship Details

We require the following personal information to administer and adjudicate your application, and to verify your eligibility status for this award.

First Name  
Last Name  
Email Address  
Daytime Phone Number  
Street Address  
City  
Province  
Postal Code

Gender:    Male    Female

Citizenship:    Canadian    Other

Other Citizenship:

Are you a permanent resident of Canada?    Yes    No

Please note: You will be required to show proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent residence status should you be selected as a finalist.

What country were you born in?

What city/town were you born in?

Please select the year you arrived in Canada:  
1999-2009

Is English your native language?    Yes    No

Please note: Your first language does not affect the adjudication process in any way.

If no, please enter your first language:

“First language” is defined as the language which is primarily spoken in your home. If you grew up in a bilingual household where one of the languages spoken was English, please consider whether it is the language you are most comfortable speaking.

Please rate your proficiency with the English language in the following categories:

Reading:    High    Moderate    Basic

Writing:    High    Moderate    Basic

Speaking:    High    Moderate    Basic

If English is not your first language, rate how comfortable or proficient you are in the three main areas of language comprehension. If English is your first language, indicate a high level of proficiency.

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### Section Two: Education & Activities

We require the following personal details about your education in order to verify that you are attending a Canadian high school or CEGEP.

Please enter the name of your high school or CEGEP:

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ PO Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Please ensure you correctly spell your principal's name, and enter their phone number correctly. Should you be chosen as a finalist, our scholarship administrator will contact your principal to verify the information regarding your high school or CEGEP status.

Yes, I will be graduating from a:  Canadian high school this school year.  
 Canadian CEGEP this school year.

Please select the range which reflects your final grade average for the 2008-2009 school year:

- |                                    |                                    |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under 70% | <input type="checkbox"/> 86 - 90%  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 70- 80%   | <input type="checkbox"/> 91 - 95%  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 81 - 85%  | <input type="checkbox"/> 96 - 100% |

Were you involved in at least one extracurricular activity between September 15, 2008 and September 14, 2009:  Yes  No

Extracurricular activities are defined as those activities you engage in outside of academic study. If you answer "yes" to the above question, you must be actively involved with the team, group or association you list. For instance, you may play hockey, but only list this as an extracurricular activity if you are actively involved – eg. you attend weekly practice sessions or you are a team captain. If you play hockey only once a month with friends, this does not qualify as an extracurricular activity.

If yes, please give one example of an extracurricular activity you actively participate in:

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Examples: athletic teams or associations, participation in clubs and societies, affiliation with academic, religious or political groups/associations, etc.

In the online application, you will be asked to provide the contact name and phone number of someone who can verify your participation.

Yes, I confirm I plan to attend university or college as a full-time student in Fall 2010.  
I understand I may be asked to provide proof of enrolment in order to be awarded a scholarship award.

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### Section Three: Canada & Immigration

#### Essays

Your essay answers will be judged based on a combination of the following:

- Use of personal experiences
- Relevance to Canadian immigration
- Creativity/originality
- Clarity of thought

Please remember to not include any personal information such as names, addresses or schools attended in your essays.

1. The Canadian workforce, educational system and urban planning have been heavily influenced by Canada's strong history of immigration. Please discuss how immigration has shaped either the Canadian workforce, educational system OR urban planning and provide evidence to support the influence of immigration.

Answer in 350 words or less

2. As a new Canadian, what advice do you have for new families who have just arrived in Canada? Provide examples from your own (or your family's) personal experience with immigration.

Answer in 250 words or less