

Short Guide to the Further Education Award



Ministry of Education

About

This guide was developed to help you apply for the Further Education Award.

This award provides funding for students who demonstrate financial need to attend college or university.

Applicants from students pursuing or attending postgraduate studies are also accepted.

Value

This award is valued at up to \$10,000.

Term

This is a one-time award, tenable for 1 year only.

Application Requirements

Please carefully review scholarships and awards for eligibility and application requirements. To be considered, you must follow the application instructions and ensure that your application is complete and submitted by the deadline of April 15th, 2026. All applications must be submitted on www.bermudascholarships.com. Should you experience challenges with uploading documents, please refer to the HELP feature on the Bermuda Scholarships website. **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.**

Eligibility

In order to apply, you must:

- i. Have **completed at least one year** at an accredited college or university. Postgraduate applications are also accepted.
- ii. Have participated in extra-curricular and/or community service in school and/or the community
- iii. Be a Bermudian
- iv. Have been educated in Bermuda for at least 5 years, and
- v. Demonstrate financial need.

Application Checklist

	Required Documents
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transcripts
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personal reference letter (signed and dated no more than two years prior to 2026)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Academic reference letter (signed and dated no more than two years prior to 2026)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Official letter or certificate of extra-curricular or service activities in school and/or the community
<input type="checkbox"/>	Proof of Bermuda status
<input type="checkbox"/>	Proof of 5 years of Bermuda education
<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed essay questions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Acceptance letter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed financial need form
<input type="checkbox"/>	Statement of estimated costs for tuition and accommodation from college or university (for overseas education)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Resume

In its discretion, the Scholarships and Awards Committee or a representative of the Ministry of Education may ask you for additional documents to help support your application. If you do not submit the required documents by the time requested, you will be disqualified from consideration.

Further Education Award Essay Questions

1. Explain your educational & career goals. What degree are you planning to study and how did you decide on this career choice and college/university?
2. What has been your most meaningful learning experience outside of school, and what did this experience teach you about your goals, values and perspective on life?
3. What is the biggest challenge you've faced? (academic, personal, family, etc.) What impact did this challenge have on your life and how were you able to manage it?
4. How would receiving this scholarship help you specifically and how will you fund your education if you are not successful?

Instructions

1. Please read the instructions and the questions carefully.
2. Your answers must be typed and uploaded as a PDF document as part of your application on www.bermudascholarships.com.
3. Each answer should be no more than 250 words.
4. Ensure that your full name and the date are typed at the top of the page of your essay question responses.
5. Please type each question and type each answer immediately below each question.

Application Tips

You should:

- **Begin your application as soon as possible.** Don't wait until the last minute in case you have problems getting all of the documents or have computer problems.
- **Ask for help** so that someone else can help you review and proofread your application. They can ensure that you have all of the needed documents and read over your answers.
- **Ask people who will write good letters to be your references.** Ask early enough to give them time to write strong letters of recommendation.
- **Read and reread the questions asked so that you understand what is being asked.**
- **Ensure that you answer the application question asked,** rather than submit a personal essay.
- **Reflect on the questions.** Think about your experiences, accomplishments and challenges, how you have grown, successes, and what you are good at. You should also think about what you are going to study and how getting this award will help you achieve your goals.
- **Carefully review your own application.** Ensure that you edit your answers so that they are clear and don't have any mistakes. Be sure to check that you have all of the documents needed for your application.

Questions

If you have any questions, contact the Ministry of Education at scholarships@moed.bm or at 278-3300.