



The Canadian Hard of Hearing Association - Newfoundland and Labrador (CHHA-NL)

The Dr. Norah Browne Bursary

POLICY AND PROCEDURES

1. Applicants to this bursary **must** be either **Hard of Hearing** or **Late - Deafened** or **Oral Deaf**. The Canadian Hard of Hearing Association - Newfoundland and Labrador (CHHA-NL) accepts the following definitions of hearing loss:

Hard of Hearing

A person with any level of hearing loss, from mild to profound, whose primary method of communication is the spoken language.

Late - Deafened

A person with a profound level of hearing loss acquired in adulthood (hearing loss occurred after learning oral communication).

Oral Deaf

A person with a profound level of hearing loss, occurring congenitally or with an onset early in life, whose primary method of communication is the spoken language.

2. Eligible applicants must be attending any post-secondary institution in Canada for the first time. The field of study is not a factor in the selection process.
3. Eligibility for **The Dr. Norah Browne Bursary** is based on an overall assessment of the applicant. Applications will be judged by a number of criteria including academic achievement, determination to cope with hearing loss, and community involvement. **(See Application Form for full details).**
4. Successful applicants will be notified six weeks after the application deadline. Funds will be distributed upon receipt of proof of registration. An agreement to this effect will be signed by the recipient and the appropriate CHHA-NL authority. In certain circumstances, a deferment of the award may be granted with a written request. **Please note that scholarships and bursaries are taxable income.**
5. Recipients must agree that names and/or photographs may be used for promotion of the CHHA-NL Scholarship Program and to encourage future applicants. Mediums may include but not be limited to the following: CHHA-NL's Newsletter - **SOUND WAVES**, CHHA National's **LISTEN** magazine, CHHA Conference and Annual General Meeting, local newspapers (in the recipient's community) and a press release to national media.
6. The Canadian Hard of Hearing Association (CHHA) also offers a Scholarship Program. Please visit their website www.chha.ca for details and applications.