

connectFirst STEM Scholarship



The purpose of the STEM Scholarship is to help provide financial aid for students enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning for Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math field (STEM), and skilled trades programs in Alberta.

A total of four (4) scholarships worth \$650 each will be awarded each year.

To be eligible, applicants:

- Must reside in Alberta and be age 17+ .
- Must be a current member of connectFirst Credit Union.
- Must be enrolled or accepted to enroll in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math field or a skilled trades program in Alberta.
- Must be a full-time student enrolled or accepted to enroll in an undergraduate or technical program in the academic year of 2024-2025.

Key dates:

- Application period from **July 15 to August 19, 2024.**
- Scholarship funds for awarded participants awarded no later than **September 9, 2024.**

How to apply:

Submit the following documentation to your preferred connectFirst Branch:

- Application form
- Supporting documents:
 - Proof of enrolment
 - Applicants must be residents of Alberta and be able to provide a home address, located in Alberta on the application form

Selection process:

- All STEM Scholarship applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of connectFirst employees from August 21 to September 1.
- Successful applicants are notified by phone or email by September 4.
- Scholarship funds will be disbursed no later than September 11.

To apply, please visit your local branch or connectfirstcu.com/STEM

APPLICATION CLOSING AUGUST 19, 2024.



STEM Scholarship Application

connectfirstcu.com/STEM



Personal Information

Applications are due August 19, 2024

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____

Postal Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Are you a Member of connectFirst Credit Union?

Program Criteria

If selected for the connectFirst STEM Scholarship Program, I confirm that:

- I reside in Alberta and am of age 17+ .
- I am a current member of connectFirst Credit Union.
- I will provide proof of enrollment in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math field or a skilled trades program in Alberta.

For the following essay questions, you are more than welcome to use lined paper and attach it to the application package if you need more room for your hand writing. Additionally, please refer to the [scoring matrix](#) to understand how these answers will be evaluated.

Tell Us About You

In 150 words or less, please tell us about yourself! We'd like to know what makes you "spark" (what excites you) and how this STEM scholarship would impact you.

Education and Career Goals

I will study at: _____

My career goal is to be: _____

In 150 words or less, tell us your education plans, how it relates to your career goal, and why you have chosen this career goal.

Community Involvement

As your local credit union, we are committed to supporting our communities. In 150 words or less, tell us how your STEM career could provide positive community impact **OR** your future plans to build a strong community.

Application Checklist:

1. Completed Application Form
2. Proof of enrolment
3. Deliver application to your local branch by **August 19, 2024**

If you are under 18 years old, please ensure your parent or guardian provides consent for your application by entering their details below.

Applicant signature: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____