

Minerva Foundation Award for BC Women

Please use this application form only for the **Minerva Foundation Award for BC Women**. Students are encouraged to apply for all awards and bursaries for which criteria are met, but must submit separate applications.

Personal Information

First Name _____ Last Name _____
Home Phone () _____ Work Phone () _____
Address _____ City _____, BC Postal Code _____
Social Insurance Number _____ Date of Birth _____

To be eligible for a Minerva Foundation Award, you must be an Aboriginal woman between the ages of 17 and 64 living in accommodation subsidized by BC Housing at the start of your course(s). Please provide the name of the housing development in which you live.

Housing Development Name _____

Educational History (Attach one copy of your most recent educational transcript)

School Name	Dates Attended	Subject	Degree or Certificate
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

What course of study or degree are you planning to pursue? _____

At which post-secondary institution? _____

Have you already been accepted to this program? Yes No

Students must be registered as a full-time student (60% course load). Awards will be applied to the semester indicated on the application and may not be deferred. Students who do not register or subsequently change to on-leave status may have their awards cancelled. Registration confirmation will be required.

Personal Statement

The Minerva Foundation Award for BC Women is evaluated based on a personal statement provided by the applicant. Please provide a word personal statement of **no more** than 500 words, describing the following:

- Personal goals and challenges you have overcome;
- Educational goals;
- Community / volunteer / work experiences; and
- How this award will assist you in achieving economic self-sufficiency.

Supporting Documentation

The following documentation is required in order to complete your application:

- A copy of all academic transcripts; and
- Two letters of reference from a friend, neighbour, employer, community leader or teacher, highlighting your achievements and explaining why you should win the award

NOTE: Applications without transcripts and letters of reference will not pass the first screening.

Release of Information

BC Housing distributes a news release about successful bursary recipients to local newspapers around the province. If you are interested in sharing information about your success, BC Housing needs your authorization to release basic information to the media.

Agreeing to the release of information is completely voluntary. If you choose not to have your name or other information released, it will not affect your chance of receiving an award

Please review the options below and mark your choice in one of the boxes for each category.

I _____ **give permission** to the Government of British Columbia and award co-funders to
(Signature of applicant) release information regarding my award to the media as follows:

Please check a response for each of the following:

Yes No I agree to the release of my name, the city I reside in and my chosen educational program.

Yes No I agree to a release of a personal profile prepared for use in a news release or publication.

Yes No I agree to have my telephone number released to local media, on request only, for follow-up stories.

OR

I _____ **do not give permission** to the Government of British Columbia or award co-funders to
(Signature of applicant) release information regarding my award to the media.

Application checklist

A full application package includes:

- Completed application form
- Statement of educational goals
- Personal statement of **no more** than 500 words
- Two letters of reference
- Academic Transcripts