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ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP, BURSARY & AWARD CEREMONY



JOHN ABBOTT
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The College and the Foundation gratefully acknowledge the many individuals and associations who have made generous contributions in the form of bursaries, scholarships and awards for our students.

123DENTISTE LAPOINTE AWARD FOR ENTHUSIASM AND DEDICATION Awarded to one first-year, one second-year, and two graduating Dental Hygiene students who demonstrate enthusiasm and passion for the profession.

ABOUD-GANZE BURSARY This bursary is given to a student who has demonstrated financial need to continue their studies, with preference to a student who has overcome or is overcoming personal obstacles or challenges in their pursuit of education.

ADITYA YOUTH FUND BURSARIES Established to honour the memory of Aditya Varun Pathak, a bright and happy young man, full of promise, who passed away at the early age of 15, the Trust Fund perpetuates his memory and promotes the ideals and values that he espoused in the community.

ADMISSIONS BURSARY PROGRAM The purpose of the Bursary Program is to encourage successful high school students, who come from a low-income family, to pursue higher education.

ADRIAN BURHOP MEMORIAL BURSARY Created in loving memory of Adrian Burhop (JAC Theatre, 1999), this bursary honours his generosity, deep love of nature, and passion for the performing arts. It supports a graduating acting student as they take their first steps beyond the program, carrying forward Adrian's inspiring legacy.

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES SCHOLARSHIP Awarded annually to a student entering the second or third year of the Nursing program who has demonstrated an aptitude for the profession of nursing and is in good academic standing.

AMY WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship is awarded by the Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Club, a non-profit organization of women university graduates. The goal of the club is to foster cultural, social and political awareness, to develop sound educational values and to serve the community through the use of education and professional training. The M.L.U.W.C. has been providing financial support for over 40 years to West Island women pursuing higher education.

ANDREW STACHROWSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Established to honour the memory of Andrew Stachrowski, a graduate of the College's Police Technology program and the son of the College's former Director of Administrative Services & Corporate Affairs and inductee to the College Hall of Distinction.

ANNE-MARIE EDWARD SCHOLARSHIP Established in honour of Anne-Marie Edward, a John Abbott College student who lost her life in the December 6, 1989 tragedy at l'École Polytechnique, this bursary remembers her life and legacy with dignity and compassion.

BARBARA BAUDINET PARAMEDIC BURSARY Created by Barbara Baudinet, this bursary supports a Paramedic student in need of financial assistance, helping them continue their studies and pursue their commitment to helping others.

BEHZAD RAZAVINIA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Established in loving memory of Behzad Razavinia by his sister, Dr. Razieh Razavynia, this scholarship honours his legacy by supporting a dedicated and engaged John Abbott College student who demonstrates perseverance, leadership, and a strong commitment to serving others.

BEN MCKINNON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP In recognition of artistic spirit, personality, talent and passion, the Hudson Village Theatre company created the Ben McKinnon Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded annually to a current student of the Arts, Literature & Communication program who exemplifies a passion for pursuing the arts and who contributes to the community.

BIBLIOTHEQUE INFORMATION SCIENCE BURSARY Established by Bibliotheque, this bursary is awarded to a John Abbott College student registered in the Information and Library Technologies program.

BRAEUEL BURSARY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS This bursary aims to provide support to an international student who has demonstrated financial need to continue their studies.

CAE INC. SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship is awarded annually to a student graduating from John Abbott College and pursuing university studies in an Engineering or Science program the following semester. This scholarship is to be awarded to a student of high academic standing who has demonstrated leadership ability and a keen understanding of service to society.

CAE TECH.: PROGRAM YOUR CAREER! This program encourages future technicians from various fields to start a career at CAE by offering traineeships that are integrated in the workplace. It is intended for full-time students registered in technology-oriented programs.

CARBON FOOTPRINT REDUCTION/SUSTAINABILITY SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship was established in 2019 by Thierry Neubert, Professor of Economics and former Honours Social Science Coordinator at John Abbott College to be awarded to a student who presents the best project to reduce the whole John Abbott College community carbon footprint.

CARLA NAPIER AWARD Awarded to first-year Theatre students who show exceptional promise and dedication to the craft.



CETAM AMBULANCE SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP Awarded to graduating students from the Paramedic program who share cooperative values such as involvement in the program, rallying and team spirit.

CODY BOUCHARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Established in loving memory of Cody Bouchard, this scholarship honours a remarkable young man whose kindness, courage, and compassion touched all who knew him. Though his life was cut short after a brave battle with cancer, Cody's spirit lives on by supporting a student who reflects his generosity, strength, and deep care for others.

CRAIG LAGENDYK FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIP Established in memory of Craig Lagendyk, this scholarship honours his legacy by recognizing student-athletes who demonstrate excellence in academics, dedication, leadership, perseverance, and ingenuity.

DAVID BURT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Established to acknowledge the commitment of a very popular and well-liked Chair and teacher of the Biology department in its formative years. This scholarship is awarded to a Biology student with high academic standing who intends to pursue the study of health sciences.

DESJARDINS SCHOLARSHIPS *Fondation Desjardins* supports the next generation by recognizing the vital role of education and awarding scholarships to students pursuing studies in fields related to Desjardins' areas of work.

DOUG ANAKIN SCHOLARSHIP FOR OUTDOOR PURSUITS Established to acknowledge the commitment of Doug Anakin, who pioneered the development of the Outdoor Education program at the College. This scholarship recognizes a student who displays a commitment towards physical education through involvement in outdoor pursuits.

DR. NATALIE SHAFFER ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD Awarded in recognition of top academic performance by a graduating student in three chemistry courses at John Abbott College including organic chemistry.

ED JANISZEWSKI AWARD This award aims to provide financial support to a well-rounded, multi-talented student, who is graduating from John Abbott College and is enrolled in a recognized university in the following academic year.

ELIZABETH AND QUENTIN PARKER BURSARIES In recognition of the continued hard work of one of their founding members, Elizabeth Parker and her husband Quentin, the board of directors of the Thrift Shops for Nova created these bursaries in support of students enrolled in a Nursing program at John Abbott College.

EMEKA NGADI MEMORIAL PHYSICS SCHOLARSHIP Established in memory of Emeka Ngadi, this scholarship honours his passion for science and his impact on others. It recognizes outstanding Physics students who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership, and a commitment to community, reflecting Emeka's inspiring legacy.

FAKHRI MONAZAMI RAZAVINIA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP To honour the memory of her beloved mother Fakhri Monazami Razavinia and her contribution to society, Dr. Raziéh Razavynia is awarding this scholarship to a serious and engaged Dental Hygiene student who has shown perseverance and determination in the pursuit of their education objectives.

FREDA AND IRWIN BROWNS SCHOLARSHIP In recognition of the need to support the development of young artists, Freda and Irwin Browns created the Freda and Irwin Browns Scholarship. This generous award is given annually to a current student of the Visual Arts program who exemplifies a passion for pursuing a career in the arts, specifically with an interest and talent in the domain of traditional and/or contemporary printmaking.

GAIL PFLASTER SCHOLARSHIP This award was established to honour the memory of Dr. Gail Pflaster who taught psychology at John Abbott. It is awarded to an outstanding female student who is graduating from John Abbott College and entering university with the desire to study psychology.

GARY W. SIMS QUÉBEC ASSOCIATION OF APPLIED EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP The Québec Association of Applied Educational Technology (QAAET)



created this scholarship in the name of Gary W. Sims, John Abbott College Hall of Distinction inductee, in order to recognize the work he did as member and director of the organization. The scholarship honours Sims' history of promoting audiovisual technology in the classroom for over 35 years.

GEORGE SPRINGATE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP To honour Mr. George Springate, former police officer, Montreal Alouettes football player, and co-founder of the Police Technology program at John Abbott College. Mr. Springate was a great law teacher, mentor and friend to many students. He was also known for his kindness and generosity and this scholarship was created to honour those qualities.

INDIGENOUS STUDENT THEATRE SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship is awarded annually to an Indigenous student (self-identified as First Nation, Inuit or Métis) who is in their final year of a Theatre Program and who has contributed to their Department, the College, the broader theatre community, and/or to Indigenous communities.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSION BURSARY This bursary was created from an anonymous donation to help newly admitted international students pursue their education.

J. COLIN ROBERTSON ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD Awarded in recognition of top academic performance by a graduating student in three chemistry courses at John Abbott College.

JASON PANICH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP & JASON PANICH MEMORIAL BURSARY Established in 2001 by Vladimir and Barbara Panich in memory of their son Jason, this award honours his passion for theatre. An annual bursary supports a student in the Professional Theatre program, while a scholarship recognizes a graduating student in either the Professional Theatre program or the Arts, Literature and Communication program (Media or Performing Arts), reflecting Jason's creative spirit and lasting legacy.

JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP In celebration of John Abbott College excellence in education, the JAC Foundation is offering a special graduation scholarship.

JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION AWARDS This bursary was established in 2018 to help graduating students pursue their post-graduate goals, be it in continuing their education or entering the work force.

JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE FACULTY ASSOCIATION BURSARIES JACFA offers two bursaries in the fall semester, two during the winter semester and two for graduating students.

JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE FACULTY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS JACFA offers two scholarships in the winter semester for graduating students.

JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION MENTORSHIP PROGRAM The Management Mentorship Prize is awarded annually to a student who is enrolled in a full-time program, is in good academic standing and shows potential for academic success.

JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION AWARDS Established in 1980, and funded by membership dues, the Professional Association provides these awards to students who show potential for successful completion of their program of study.

KIRK MACGEACHY MEMORIAL AWARD To honour Kirk MacGeachy and the contribution he made to the College's Geosciences faculty, this award is given to a serious and engaged Geology and/or Art student.



KIWANIS MONTREAL AWARD The Kiwanis Club of Lakeshore Montreal is a service club dedicated to supporting children and the community. In recognition of their commitment to supporting young people, they are giving these awards to students registered in their second or third year who are in good academic standing.

LAKESHORE ASSOCIATION OF ARTISTS SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship is awarded over the course of the two-year program to serious and engaged Visual Arts students who are committed to learning and may have challenges be they cultural, gender, or learning related.

LIBERAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship was created to help a graduating student in the Liberal Arts Program with his or her university studies.

LUANN BISAILLON SCHOLARSHIP Established shortly after her death in 1994, this scholarship honours the memory of a well loved and devoted employee of the Centre for Continuing Education by providing support to a deserving full-time student.

MCGOWN-CHRISTOFF SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating Dental Hygiene student who has shown perseverance and determination in the pursuit of their educational objectives.

MOLINA SCHOLAR-LEADER SCHOLARSHIP Created by Sebastian Molina Calvo (JAC alumnus), who wishes to offer two scholarships to full-time graduating students enrolled in a pre-university program. The students must be involved in the community (volunteering) and participate in extracurricular activities while at John Abbott College.

NEW STUDENT BURSARY IN MEMORY OF GEORGE SPRINGATE Established by alumna, Hall of Distinction inductee, and former RCMP Assistant Commissioner Shirley Cuillierri, this bursary honours the late George Springate—cofounder of the Police Technology Program and a beloved mentor whose passion for education inspired generations. It supports students in the Police Technology Program who reflect his belief in the transformative power of education, encouraging them to dream boldly, lead with integrity, and strive to be their best selves.

NICHOLAS SAMIOS MEMORIAL BURSARY This bursary was established by Catherine and Mary Samios to honour the memory of their beloved brother, Nicholas Samios, who started his career in computer engineering and had a life-long passion for taking things apart to see how they worked. This bursary is awarded to a full-time or deemed full-time student enrolled in a career program.

NICHOLAS SIDORENKO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Given in memory of former Dean and John Abbott College Hall of Distinction inductee Catherine Sidorenko's son Nicholas, who passed away after living for six years with a heart transplant. This scholarship is awarded to a full-time student who is involved in extra-curricular activities and has faced major health challenges.

NICK ARGANSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship honours the memory of Nick Arganski, a Mathematics teacher at John Abbott College during its first 25 years of existence. The scholarship is awarded each year to the top Mathematics student at the College.

O'FARRELL WONDROUS ADVENTURE SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship was established by Brenda O'Farrell, on the occasion of being named the first *Irishwoman of the Year*, to support a young female student of Irish heritage from the Off-Island region in whatever wondrous adventure she chooses or finds herself on. Each year, the recipient will accept the grant knowing that it symbolizes the support she has from her community; and that this community stands behind her and encourages her as she pursues a path along her unique adventure.

OKA AND GRÉGOIRE FOUNDATION BURSARIES The Oka and Grégoire Foundation provides funding to support full-time or deemed full-time Nursing students who need financial assistance in order to continue their studies.

PAMELA MONTGOMERY AWARD This award, in the form of equipment or books, was created to honour the memory of Pamela Montgomery, former John Abbott student and teacher, by recognizing a deserving student in the Professional Theatre program.

PETER BENDER AWARD Established in honour of Peter Bender, one of John Abbott College's first teachers, this award celebrates over 50 years of his inspiring dedication as an educator and coach. It provides financial support to a well-rounded, multi-talented graduating student-athlete who will be continuing their studies at university, reflecting Peter's lasting impact on generations of students.

PIERRE AND LOUISE BLANCHETTE BURSARY FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT This bursary aims to support and encourage a student who demonstrates altruism and involvement in their community, preferably in the Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue community. The student should demonstrate team spirit and humility, helping others and working towards a common goal.

PIERRE AND LOUISE BLANCHETTE SCHOLARSHIP FOR PERSEVERANCE AND EFFORT This scholarship aims to support and encourage a student who has overcome or is overcoming significant challenges in their life or academic journey. It will highlight a student's soft/interpersonal skills and emphasize their perseverance, determination, and self-improvement.

POINTE AUX RENARD BURSARY This bursary is offered to a female student who is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, and who intends to live in Canada to achieve her objectives, with preference to a student who is in financial need.



QUINN AND LALLEMAND SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship was established by Judith Quinn and Guy Lallemend to reward/support a student showing high academic achievement and a strong commitment to improving the environment, including pursuing a university degree in this field.

ROBERT MELDRUM STEWART ASTRONOMY SCHOLARSHIP This scholarship recognizes and encourages students with a demonstrated passion

for the study of our solar system and cosmos. The scholarship is given to a full-time graduating student with an interest in Astronomy, Astrophysics and/or Space Sciences.

RUBIN AND SO FOUNDATION BURSARIES Established to provide funding to support full-time or deemed full-time students in the Paramedic Care and Nursing programs who need financial help in order to continue their studies.

RUTH AND CY HARRIS MEMORIAL AWARD Established by Cathy and Andrew Harris, this award is in honour of their parents Ruth and Cy Harris, the contribution they made to society, and their strong belief in the importance of education.

STUDENT EXCELLENCE AWARD This award was created to recognize a student who completed the third year of the Dental Hygiene program with the highest grade in the comprehensive exam.

STUDENT UNION OF JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE INVOLVEMENT AWARDS This award recognizes two students who demonstrate outstanding involvement in campus life.



SYLVAIN DUGUAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Created in 2017 to commemorate Sylvain Duguay, a beloved Humanities teacher, by sustaining the challenge he would, himself, have posed to each incoming class. By fostering Sylvain's approach to the Humanities, the Scholarship aims to encourage and inspire motivated students who share his goals of insight, understanding, knowledge and service.

TAMMY CHEN SCHOLARSHIP FOR FUTURE TEACHERS Established by Thierry Neubert, Professor of Economics and Honours Social Science Coordinator, to honour one of our graduates killed in Burkina Faso in August 2017, while doing humanitarian and research work. Tammy was close to completing her PhD in education at Cambridge University.

THEATRE ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT TECHNOLOGIES SECOND-YEAR PERSEVERANCE AWARDS This award was created for a student who has shown the most improvement and perseverance in their second year of the Professional Theatre Acting or Live Entertainment Design and Production program.



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John Abbott College prides itself on continuous improvement and strives to provide all its students, young and mature, with superior quality post-secondary and continuing education. Its dynamic classes and highly qualified faculty and staff, modern and interactive pedagogical techniques with just the right balance between the latest technologies and classical formats prepare and transform students for success in a modern society.

Your contribution ensures that all of our students have an equal opportunity to complete their studies and achieve their goals. Thank you for your generous support.

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