

Vancouver School of Theology Scholarship Application Form

Applicants who would like to be considered for a scholarship are required to submit a 300-500 word statement describing their qualifications for the scholarship(s), their goals for their studies at VST, and their vision for their public and pastoral leadership after graduation. Good candidates for the scholarships possess authentic faith, imagination, vision, maturity, capacity for critical thinking, a keen sense of curiosity, and good communication skills.

Applicants agree that should they be granted a scholarship for studies at VST, that all or part of their statement may be published, along with their photograph, on the VST website and/or other VST publications.

Where appropriate, an applicant may request an oral interview in lieu of a written submission.

Application Deadline for Consideration for Scholarships: March 15th for new students; October 15th for NMDP students applying for the Indigenous Scholarship.

Summary of VST Scholarships

1. **Relocation Bursary:** \$2,500 CAD award granted to students relocating to Vancouver to attend VST.
2. **Promise for Public and Pastoral Leadership:** entering year scholarship to be granted to students who demonstrate promise for profound public and/or pastoral leadership. Good for the student's first year of studies at VST.
3. **Academic Promise:** entering year scholarship to be granted to students who demonstrate academic promise for theological studies. Good for the student's first year of studies at VST.
4. **International Student Scholarship:** a minimum of one-year tuition scholarship, and renewable for up to a maximum of 5 years, or the total credit hours in degree program, whichever comes first. To be granted to an International student who demonstrates both the promise for public or pastoral leadership and academic promise in theological studies.
5. **Indigenous Student Scholarship:** a minimum of one-year tuition scholarship, and renewable for up to a maximum of 5 years, or the total credit hours in degree program, whichever comes first. To be granted to an Indigenous student who demonstrates both the promise for public or pastoral leadership and academic promise in theological studies. (NMDP students will be considered only after completing a minimum of 3 courses in their program).

Part-time option for Entering Year Scholarships: Students who will not be studying full-time in their entering year at VST may elect to receive a total of \$6000 in tuition credits to be applied against their account over the course of up to 3 consecutive years of part-time study.

NOTE: Recipients are responsible for all student fees, living expenses, textbooks and incidental fees, and thus will need to raise considerable additional support for their program at VST.

For more information on Scholarship qualifications and benefits, please see the VST webpage <http://www.vst.edu/main/vst/financial-aid>

Scholarship Application Form

Personal Information

Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____

Country _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Alternate Telephone _____

Email _____

Please indicate the degree you are seeking: _____

Please check the Scholarship(s) for which you are applying:

- Relocation Bursary
- Promise for Public and Pastoral Leadership
- Academic Promise
- International Student Scholarship
- Indigenous Student Scholarship

Please attach your 300 – 500 word essay and return this form as part of your VST Degree Program Application. Scholarship applications received without an application to a VST degree program will not be reviewed.

Applicants requesting to conduct an oral interview in lieu of a written submission should contact the Registrar at registrar@vst.edu, or the Indigenous Studies Centre office (for M.Div by Extension applicants) at nmp@vst.edu well before the deadline.

By signing this application form, applicants agree that, should they be granted a scholarship for studies at VST, all or part of their statement may be published, along with their photograph, on the VST website and/or other VST publications.

I, _____ agree to the above statement as well as all other eligibility, academic performance, and student conduct policies associated with receiving a VST Scholarship.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____