### **Mattinson Scholarship Program for Students with Disabilities**

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# Objective

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These scholarships are valued at \$2,000 CAD, available for one academic year.

Please refer to the following definitions of each disability listed above:

**Persons with disabilities** include those who have long-term physical, mental, intellectual, or sensory impairments which in interaction with various barriers may hinder their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others. (UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities)

### **Physical Disability:**

A **physical disability** is a limitation on a person's **physical** functioning, mobility, dexterity, or stamina. Other physical disabilities include impairments which limit other facets of daily living. Persons with physical impairment disabilities often use assistive devices or mobility aids such as crutches, canes, wheelchairs, and artificial limbs to obtain mobility.

#### **Sensory Disability:**

A **sensory disability** involves the disability related to vision, hearing and speech that limits access to visual or auditory content and affects the learning process.

#### **Mental Health Disability:**

A **mental health disability** includes alterations in thinking, mood or behavior (or some combination thereof) associated with significant distress and impaired functioning over an extended period of time. Mental illness is a disturbance in thoughts and emotions that may decrease a person's capacity to cope with the challenges of everyday life. Mental illnesses include schizophrenia, mood disorders (such as depression and bipolar disorder), anxiety disorders, personality disorders, and eating disorders.

#### **Learning Disability:**

A **learning disability** is a neurologically based, specific impairment in information processing in the presence of *at least* average cognitive ability, which results in unexpected academic under-achievement, or academic achievement that is maintained only by unusually high lev

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## Administrator

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### Selection Process