

SANDRA BLANCHETTE MEMORIAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP 2025

TERMS & CONDITIONS

The Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship is to continue the legacy of a very special individual. Sandra was an Optician and Contact Lens Fitter who shared her passion for the industry everywhere she went. She worked across Canada throughout her career, teaching, mentoring, and inspiring the next generation of contact lens fitters. Sandra dedicated countless hours to the profession in her role as OAC Director, online instructor for NAIT, student Contact Lens workshop facilitator, as well as a member of the board for the Opticians of Manitoba and the College of Opticians of Alberta.

The Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship is intended to provide financial support in the amount of \$1000 to one (1) student enrolled in Year One, Semester One of the NAIT Optical Sciences Eyeglasses Program or NAIT Optical Sciences Contact Lens Program across Canada.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Scholarship applicant must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada
- Scholarship applicant must currently be enrolled in a full semester of NAIT courses for the Fall 2025 intake
- Scholarship applicant must be enrolled in Semester One of Eyeglasses Year One or Semester One of Contact Lenses

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship applicants are required to complete all sections of the online Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship application form. No other form will be considered.

Only one (1) Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship application allowed per student applicant.

Completing more than one (1) Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship Application may disqualify you from being considered for the scholarship.

Scholarship applications will be accepted June 26 to August 8, 2025.

The scholarship application period closes at 11:59 PM CT on August 8.

SELECTION PROCESS

The Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship recipient will be randomly selected. The recipient will be contacted via email and announced by August 15, 2025.

OFFICIAL RULES

GENERAL: By applying for the Sandra Blanchette Memorial Student Scholarship opportunity, applicants agree to abide by the Official Rules and the decisions of the Opticians Association of Canada with respect to all aspects of the opportunity, which are final.

By applying for this scholarship opportunity, the recipient consents to the use of his/her name (first and last) and province of residence, without further remuneration, in connection with any publicity carried out by or on behalf of the OAC with respect to this opportunity.

The OAC will not be responsible for late or incomplete entries; all such entries are void. The OAC does not assume any responsibility for incorrect or inaccurate capture of entry information, technical malfunctions, human or technical error, lost, delayed or garbled data or transmissions, omission, interruption, deletion, defect or failures of any telephone or computer lines or networks, computer equipment, software or any combination thereof.

All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation, and enforceability of the Official Rules, or the rights and obligations of applicants and the OAC in connection with the scholarship opportunities, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with (i) the laws of the Province of Manitoba and the laws of Canada applicable therein in respect of residents of the other Canadian provinces/territories, without regard to conflicts of law principles.

This scholarship offering is subject to all applicable federal, provincial, and municipal laws.

The OAC scholarship monies awarded will **go directly to the recipient of the scholarship**. Scholarship monies will be sent via EFT. Further information will be provided to the scholarship recipient.

The OAC respects your right to privacy. Personal information collected from applicants will only be used by the OAC to administer the scholarship opportunity.