A student award can help you achieve your goals. SAIT is proud to offer more than $5 million in scholarships and bursaries to students in almost every program, and you’ll find complete details in this guide.

Whether you are starting your very first semester or getting ready to graduate, awards are available to all qualifying SAIT students.

Some awards recognize your academic success and other awards recognize your community involvement. But every award has been created because of generous donations from SAIT alumni, faculty and staff as well as corporate partners and friends. And every student award is dedicated to helping SAIT students find success.

I encourage you to apply for a student award. You’ll find everything you need to know about the application process in this guide. You can also attend our helpful award assistance labs to learn about the process in person — visit MySAIT.ca for more information.

If you receive an award, please help us and future students by thanking the donor or sponsor who provided the funds. Your award confirmation email will include suggestions for how you can say “thank you” either in person or online. Then watch your student email for invitations to our Student Award Celebrations throughout the year. Expressing your gratitude helps you make a great impression — and it’s a smart way to connect with thousands of influential SAIT donors, sponsors and potential employers.

Those who graduate from SAIT join a network of more than 236,000 proud alumni — people who are making a difference in their communities and around the world. As you work towards your goal of graduating, SAIT’s Alumni and Development team is working to support you and your career goals.

We’re here to help, and we’d love to meet you. Drop by the Student Awards window (AA113 in Heritage Hall) to say hello.

I wish you a great year and continued success.

Brian Bowman
Director, Alumni and Development
Entrance Awards applications open on **Friday, May 1 2020**

Entrance Awards applications close on **Wednesday, July 15 2020**

The Awards selection process will finalize after the add/drop period. The Student Awards department will notify award recipients shortly after this time.
**Student Awards — a Big Benefit**

Each year thousands of worthy SAIT students receive over $5 million in awards from our donors. A student award can mean the difference between attending SAIT or not, or having to work while in school and taking longer to graduate. These awards can help you manage your finances so that you are able to start your careers off right.

SAIT offers more than 4,500 awards in the following categories: Entrance, General, School-Nominated and Government.

**Entrance Awards**

This brochure outlines the 2020/2021 Entrance Awards that are available online for application from **May 1 to July 15, 2020**. Entrance Awards are designated for students who are beginning a new program in the upcoming fall. In some instances they are program specific and in others, students in all programs may apply.

*Please Note:* If you are an apprentice or are in a pre-employment program, you must apply during your intake (while you are at SAIT) during the 2020/21 year.

**Additional Award Categories**

Additional awards available to SAIT students are detailed in the Student Awards Guide made available in August each year. Once you are confirmed in your program and have paid your tuition deposit, you can apply for awards in these other categories.

**GENERAL AWARDS**

Undesignated awards that, in most circumstances, any student in any program may apply for provided they meet the criteria.

**PROGRAM-SPECIFIC AWARDS**

Designated to the academic schools and specific to each program of study.

**GOVERNMENT AWARDS**

Designed and issued directly by the government. All details on these awards can be found by visiting studentaid.alberta.ca.

**Award Criteria**

SAIT awards are given based in whole or in part on the following criteria:

**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT**

A pre-determined Grade Point Average (GPA).

**FINANCIAL NEED**

Financial need is determined by assessing a student’s income and expenses for the academic year. Students receiving student loans may still be considered to be in financial need.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Participation in community events, volunteer commitments with non-profits and/or charities, and involvement in extracurricular activities such as sports or church. It is important to include as much information as possible about these activities in your application.

**DONOR SPECIFIC**

Criteria which the donor of the award has identified as important to them.

**General Information**

**WHO MAY APPLY?**

If you are enrolled at SAIT as a continuous, full-time student or apprentice you may be eligible to apply.
I’M AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT — AM I ELIGIBLE?

Students who are citizens of countries other than Canada and who have been accepted at SAIT on a student visa may be eligible for SAIT student awards. Each SAIT student award has its own criteria. If you meet the criteria, you can apply for the award. Please note: if the award criteria does not specify a citizenship requirement, both international students, Canadian students and permanent residents can apply for that award.

In order to collect the award, an international student must have either a Canadian Social Insurance Number (SIN) or an Individual Tax Number (ITN). International students should contact the SAIT International Centre for details and assistance. The Centre may also suggest other awards that are directed specifically to international students.

How to Apply

The application will be accessible through your mySAIT.ca account starting on May 1, 2020. The application must be completed and submitted by the deadline date. All supporting documentation must be submitted to the SAIT Student Awards Office by the deadline date. All documentation and questions can be sent to scholarships@sait.ca

Application Deadline

Please note that Entrance Awards are only open for application from May 1 to July 15, 2020. This deadline is firm and cannot be extended.

For Apprentice and Pre-Employment Awards, you must apply during your first period of training while you are attending SAIT during the 2020/21 year.

Transcripts

Some awards require a recent high school transcript for specific courses. If the award you are applying to requests a copy of your transcripts, the system will inform you during the application form. All documentation needs to be submitted to the Alumni and Development office (AA113) or via email to scholarships@sait.ca prior to July 15, 2020.

Application Tips

READ THE CRITERIA

Read the conditions for each award carefully. Please do not apply for an award if you do not meet its criteria. This will save you time in completing your application.

A WORD ABOUT YOUR REFERENCES

Choose your references with care. Employers, religious leaders, community leaders, teachers and instructors can serve as excellent references. Ideally your references should have known you for a minimum of six months. Avoid using members of your family, best friends or roommates. Please advise your references that you are applying for an award and inform them of the specific criteria of that award so that, if required, they are prepared to explain why you are a suitable candidate. Your references should always try to talk about your current attributes and skills.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

If you are applying for any awards that include financial need within the criteria, you must fill in the financial information section. Please provide accurate information on monthly expenses and income. If you are unsure of exact amounts, provide an estimate.
ESSAYS, WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION, SPECIALTY CRITERIA

Please read these sections carefully and answer the questions as specifically as you can. It is best to provide as much detailed information as possible.

If I win an award — how will I know?

SAIT Alumni and Development will notify students selected for awards no more than four months after the application deadline. Recipients will receive an email, telephone call or a letter with information about when and how to pick up the awards package.

There are at least 465 words for “thank you”

SAIT awards are created by donors who invest their money to make a difference and transform lives. We hope you are one of the nearly 4,500 students who will receive a student award this year and, no matter how you say it — cheers, merci, danke, shukran, xie xie, gracias, shukriya — you can help us show gratitude to the donors who care so much about you and your fellow SAIT students. If you do receive an award, here is how you can say “thank you” to SAIT supporters:

- Write a thank you note to the donor.
- Attend one of Alumni and Development’s student award celebrations where you can meet donors and express your thanks in person.
- When you are successful in the workforce, please keep in touch and consider supporting SAIT in any way you can.

Tax information for scholarships and bursaries

Scholarships and bursaries are generally not taxable and are not reported as income on your tax return. In February, SAIT will issue a T4A through the mail and the T2202A tax forms (Tuition, Education and Textbook Amounts Certificate) which can be accessed by students on mysait.ca only.

If you are unsure of your tax status, contact the Canada Revenue Agency at 1.800.959.8281 or visit cra.gc.ca.

PLEASE NOTE

All information listed in this guide, including awards offered, the value of awards and the number of awards available, is subject to SAIT receiving funding for the awards listed. In the event that funding is cancelled, awards will be reallocated to a program area designated by Alumni and Development. If there is a discrepancy between the published award criteria or value and the official award documentation located in the Alumni and Development department, the official documentation is deemed accurate. Award criteria and values are subject to change.
2020/21 Entrance Awards

Note: Applicants must submit the most recent copy of their high school transcripts to the Student Awards window (AA113) or via email to scholarships@sait.ca prior to July 15, 2020 to be considered for these awards. This transcript is in addition to the transcript submitted to Student Services at the time of application to SAIT.

2nd Century Faculty and Staff Award
Value: $1,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
• Entering any certificate, diploma or degree program
• Academic achievement in prerequisite subjects required for admission
• Financial need
• Demonstrate why you are choosing SAIT and your program
Deadline: July 15

Alberta Blue Cross 50th Anniversary
Value: $1,250 | Number: 5
Criteria:
• Entering a diploma program
• Academic achievement
• Attended last year of high school in Alberta
• Alberta resident
• Financial need
• One award for the Information Technology program
• One award for any Health and Public Safety diploma program
• One award for any diploma program
• One award for a student who has relocated more than 100 km (one way) to attend SAIT
• One award for a student with disabilities where additional expenses are not covered by government funding
Students who have previously successfully completed a certificate, diploma or degree are not eligible
Deadline: July 15

Alberta Advanced Education and Technology
Value: $5,000 | Number: 4
Criteria:
• Entering one of the following programs: Automated Systems Engineering Technology, Bachelor of Applied Technology Geographic Information Systems, Bachelor of Applied Technology Information Systems, Broadcast Systems Technology, Electrical Engineering Technology, Electronics Engineering Technology, Information Technology, Object-Oriented Software Developer
• Academic merit
• Leadership through community involvement
• May study at SAIT or at distance delivery sites within Canada
Process:
• In the event of a tie, financial need will be considered
Deadline: July 15

Anne and Christopher Kean
Value: $1,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
• Entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program in the School of Business
• Financial need
• Academic achievement
• Canadian citizen or permanent resident
• Preference given to single parents
Deadline: July 15
Barb Higgins – Inspiration
Value: $1,200 | Number: 1
Criteria:
• Entering the Film and Video Production, Journalism or Radio, Television and Broadcast News programs in the School of Information and Communications Technologies
• Financial need
• Extracurricular and community activities
• Preference given to females and single parents
Deadline: July 15

Bissett Bursary Program
Value: cost of tuition and Mandatory SAIT fees | Number: up to 20
Renewal available
Criteria:
• Career planning in place
• Academic achievement
• Financial need
• Community involvement
Process:
• To qualify for renewal of award, recipients must be in good academic standing, complete Lamb Learner Success Centre requirements and continue to demonstrate eligibility under the criteria outlined above.
• For more information about this award, please visit sait.ca and search for Bissett Bursary Program.
Deadline: Apply at anytime.

BRHL
Value: $1,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
• For a student entering the Bachelor of Science in Construction Project Management program in the School of Construction
• Financial need
• Academic achievement
• Preference for a female student
Deadline: July 15

Brian Will Memorial
Value: $1,500 | Number: 1
Criteria:
• For a student entering Mechanical Engineering Technology in the School of Manufacturing and Automation
• Financial need
• Academic achievement
• Demonstrate why you are choosing SAIT and your program
• Preference for a Canadian citizen and Alberta resident
Deadline: July 15

Carthy Foundation
Value: $5,000 | Number: 4
Criteria:
• Entering one of the following programs: Administrative Information Management, Bachelor of Applied Technology Information Systems, Baking and Pastry Arts, Broadcast Systems Technology, Business Administration, Dental Assisting, Emergency Medical Technology – Paramedic, Film and Video Production, Graphic Communication and Print Technology, Health Information Management, Hospitality Management, Journalism, Legal Assistant, Library Information Technology, New Media Production and Design, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Nutrition for Healthy Lifestyles, Professional Cooking, Radio Television and Broadcast News, Respiratory Therapy, Travel and Tourism
• Academic achievement
• Financial need
• Leadership/community involvement
Deadline: July 15

Caldwell Family Award
Value: $1,200 | Number: 1
Criteria:
• Entering the Bachelor of Applied Technology Petroleum Engineering, Petroleum Engineering Technology or Power Engineer Technology programs
• Financial need
• Academic achievement in prerequisite subjects required for admission
• Female student
Deadline: July 15
Calgary Construction Association Centennial
Value: $2,000 | Number: 2
Criteria:
- Entering the School of Construction in a degree or diploma program or apprenticeship, or one of the following programs: Electrician apprentice, Welding apprentice, Crane Operator or Iron Worker
- Financial need
- Academic achievement in prerequisite subjects required for admission
- Demonstrates leadership, volunteerism and a positive attitude
- One award for a female student and one for a male student
- Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
- Preference given to an Alberta resident
Deadline: July 15

Coca Cola
Value: $2,000 | Number: 4
Criteria:
- For a student entering a certificate, diploma or degree program
- Financial need
- Academic achievement from high school
- Community involvement or volunteerism
Deadline: July 15

Compass Group
Value: $5,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- For a student entering the Post-diploma Culinary Entrepreneurship program in the School of Hospitality and Tourism
- Academic achievement from previous programs
Deadline: July 15

Dale Landry Memorial
Value: $2,385, $3,780 | Number: 2
Criteria:
- One award for a student entering a certificate program
- One award for a student entering a diploma, applied degree or degree program
- Financial need — intended to assist individuals with extenuating circumstances who may not be able to attend SAIT without financial assistance
Deadline: July 15

Dick and Lois Haskayne
Value: $2,000 | Number: 5
Criteria:
- Entering a certificate or diploma program
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- Graduate of a rural Canadian high school
- Preference given to students who intend to live in SAIT residence during their first year
Deadline: July 15

DP Martin Family Foundation Culinary Entrepreneurship
Value: $5,000 | Number: 3
Criteria:
- For a student entering the Post-diploma Culinary Entrepreneurship program in the School of Hospitality and Tourism
- Academic achievement from previous programs
- Canadian citizen
Deadline: July 15

Dr. Fayaz Bharwani
Funded by: Esmail Safana Farzana
Fayaz Bharwani Foundation
Value: $930 | Number: 3
Criteria:
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- One award for a student who is a landed immigrant entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program in the School of Business
- Two awards for students entering any full time program in the School of Health and Public Safety:
  - One for an international student demonstrating community spirit
  - One for a mature student demonstrating career discovery
Deadline: July 15

EHT Student Bursary
Value: $2,500 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- Entering a certificate or diploma, applied degree or degree program
- Financial need
- Intended for a student with a documented learning disability
Deadline: July 15
Esmail Bharwani
Funded by: Esmail Safana Farzana Fayaz Bharwani Foundation
Value: $930 | Number: 4
Criteria:
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- Two awards for students entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program:
  » One for a single parent
  » One for a mature student demonstrating career discovery
- Two awards for students entering any full-time program in the School of Health and Public Safety:
  » One for a student demonstrating community involvement with preference for a student employed or recently employed with a not-for-profit organization
  » One for a mature student demonstrating career discovery
Deadline: July 15

Farzana Bharwani
Funded by: Esmail Safana Farzana Fayaz Bharwani Foundation
Value: | Number: 3
Criteria:
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- Two awards for students entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program in the School of Business:
  » One for an international student demonstrating community spirit
  » One for a mature student demonstrating career discovery
- One award for a landed immigrant entering any full time program in the School of Health and Public Safety.
Deadline: July 15

Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited
Value: $4,000 | Number: 1
Possible renewal for 3 years for an additional $3,500 annually
Criteria:
- Entering a diploma, applied degree or degree program
- For a recent high school graduate (no longer than 18 months between graduation and SAIT enrolment)
- Financial need
- Academic achievement of 75% based on prerequisite marks
- Community involvement
- Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
Process:
- To qualify for renewal of award, recipients must continue enrolment in their chosen program in consecutive semesters (excluding four month semester break), and continue to demonstrate eligibility under the criteria outlined above.
- Recipients must re-apply each year and declare if participating in a work-study program.
- This award is also listed on the online application under the General Awards section.
Deadline: July 15

Gene Haas Foundation
Value: $1,000 | Number: 5
Criteria:
- Three awards for a student entering the Machinist Technician program
- Preference for student who has completed high school registered Apprentice Program (RAP training)
- Preference given to female students
- Preference given to students with a documented disability
- Two awards for students entering the following programs: Mechanical Engineering Technology, Welding Engineering Technology or Machinist Technician in the School of Manufacturing and Automation
- Alberta Resident
- Academic achievement in five CTR 3000 level courses in Fabrication (FAB) or Electro-technologies (ELT) - please submit a copy of your transcripts to the Student Awards office
- Financial Need
Deadline: July 15
International Pressure Equipment Integrity Association (IPEIA)

Value: $700 | Number: 2
Criteria:
- For students entering Mechanical Engineering Technology, Power Engineering Technology or Welding Engineering Technology
- Financial need
- Demonstrates prior involvement, exposure and commitment in an area relevant to the program or Pressure Equipment Safety and Integrity
- Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
Deadline: July 15

International Student Award

Value: $1,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- Entering a full-time certificate, diploma, degree or applied degree program
- Academic achievement in previous education
- Describe why you chose SAIT and your program
Deadline: July 15

Joyce Family Foundation SAIT Centennial

Value: $5,000 | Number: 7
Criteria:
- Entering a full-time certificate, diploma, or degree or applied degree program
- Financial need
- Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
- Preference given to students who have no other avenues of funding or support
Deadline: July 15

Marjory Rebecca Girvin Henderson Memorial

Value: $4,500 | Number: 2
Criteria:
- One award for a student entering Graphic Communications and Print Technology and one award for a student entering the Journalism program in the School of Information and Communications Technologies
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- Demonstrates appreciation of and interest in Cultural Arts such as music, writing, painting, sculpting, and how this interest influences their studies
- Canadian citizen
- First Nations, Métis or Inuit status
Deadline: July 15

Methanex Corporation

Value: $1,500 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- For students entering the following programs: Administrative Information Management, Bachelor of Business Administration, Chemical Laboratory Technology, Electrical Engineering Technology, Engineering Design and Drafting Technology, Information Technology, Instrumentation Engineering Technology, Mechanical Engineering Technology, Power Engineering Technology, or Welding Engineering Technology
- Financial need
- Academic achievement from high school
- Extra-curricular or volunteer participation
Deadline: July 15

Mr. Lube

Sponsored by: Mobil
Value: $1,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- Entering Automotive Service Technology in the School of Transportation
- Financial need
- Describe your leadership skills, and commitment and passion for your industry
- Preference for current and former employees of Mr. Lube (letter of reference required)
Deadline: July 15

Growing up, I never thought that post-secondary could be an option for me due to my financial situation, but you made it possible for me to feel like I have the freedom for tuition, food, rent and other necessities. Thank you

- Amanda, Award Recipient
Olympia Trust
Value: $3,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- For a student entering the Business Administration program in the School of Business
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
- Preference given to a student currently employed (full time or part time). Please provide a letter of reference from your employer to the Student Awards office in Heritage Hall room AA113.
Deadline: July 15

Robert Spence Memorial
Value: $4,000 | Number: 3
Possible renewal in future years
Criteria:
- Entering a certificate, diploma, applied degree or degree program
- Must be bilingual (French/English) or have an educational background in French language or French immersion/bilingual programs
- Scholastic achievement of 70% based on prerequisite subjects
- Financial need
- Canadian citizen
Process:
- Recipients who remain in good academic standing must re-apply for assistance in each future year
- This award is also listed on the online application under the General Awards section.
Deadline: July 15

Safana Bharwani
Funded by: Esmail Safana Farzana
Fayaz Bharwani Foundation
Value: $1,000 | Number: 3
Criteria:
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- Two awards for students entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program in the School of Business:
  » One for a student demonstrating community involvement with preference for a student employed or recently employed with a not-for-profit organization
  » One for a mature student demonstrating career discovery
- One award for a single parent entering any full-time program in the School of Health and Public Safety.
Deadline: July 15

SAIT Access
Value: $1,675 | Number: 2
Criteria:
- Entering a certificate, diploma, applied degree or degree program
- Financial need
Deadline: July 15

SAIT Entrance
Value: $1,200 | Number: 8
Criteria:
- Entering a certificate or diploma program, one award per department
- Entering SAIT directly from high school
- Academic achievement in prerequisite subjects required for admission
- Financial need
Deadline: July 15

SAIT Family Campaign Peer Recognition
Value: $1,000 | Number: 5
Criteria:
- Entering a full-time certificate, diploma or degree program
- Financial need
- Community involvement
- Academic achievement in prerequisite subjects required for admission
- Preference for dependents of current SAIT staff
Deadline: July 15

SAIT First Choice — BMO Financial
Value: $5,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- Entering a diploma program
- Academic achievement
- Extracurricular and community activities
- Must be a Canadian citizen
Deadline: July 15
SAIT First Choice – CIBC
Value: $5,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- Entering the Bachelor of Business Administration Degree program in the School of Business
- Overall highest average high school marks
- Extracurricular and community activities
- Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
Deadline: July 15

SAIT First Choice – SAIT Board of Governors
Value: $10,000, $5,000, $2,500 | Number: 5
Criteria:
- Two awards for a degree or applied degree program
- Two awards for a diploma program
- One award for a certificate program
- Academic achievement
Deadline: July 15

SAIT First Choice – Scotiabank
Value: $4,000 | Number: 2
Criteria:
- Entering a diploma program
- Academic achievement based on prerequisite marks
- Extracurricular and community activities
- Canadian citizen
Deadline: July 15

Stepper Homes
Value: $2,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- Entering Architectural Technologies program in the School of Construction
- Community involvement
- Academic achievement (75% or higher)
- Alberta resident
- Preference given to students who have taken construction related courses in high school
Deadline: July 15

The TD Bank Group
Value: $1,000 | Number: 9
Criteria:
- Entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program in the School of Business
- Academic achievement (75% or higher)
- Community involvement
Deadline: July 15

TD Bank Group Centennial
Value: $2,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- For a student entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program in the School of Business
- Financial need
- Academic achievement in high school (minimum 75% GPA)
- Community involvement
Deadline: July 15

The TD Bank Group
Value: $1,530 | Number: 4
Criteria:
- Entering the Bachelor of Business Administration program in the School of Business
- Financial need
- Academic achievement (75% or higher)
- Community involvement
Deadline: July 15

Ted Gordyko
Value: $3,500 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- For students entering a diploma program in the School of Information and Communications Technologies
- Financial need
- Preference given to graduates of a Southern Alberta high school (south of Red Deer)
- Preference given to Canadian citizens
Deadline: July 15

Willow Park Wines and Spirits
Value $5,000 | Number: 2
Criteria:
- For students entering the Post-diploma Culinary Entrepreneurship program in the School of Hospitality and Tourism
- Academic achievement from previous programs
- Canadian citizen
Deadline: July 15

WXN Inspiring Leader
Value: $5,000 | Number: 1
Criteria:
- Entering one of the following programs: Mechanical Engineering Technology, Bachelor of Applied Technology, Petroleum Engineering or Chemical Engineering
- Leadership and community involvement
- Academic achievement in prerequisite subjects
- Financial need
- Female student
Deadline: July 15
The Alumni and Development team is here to support you from orientation to graduation

SAIT’s Alumni and Development team offers:

**The SAIT Student Awards Program**
We are proud to offer more than $5 million in awards to students in almost every program. Awards are available to all qualifying students in recognition of academic success, financial need, community involvement and more.

**Connections to Industry**
Get involved with your student club and get connected to alumni and other industry leaders. We contribute to a number of networking events that will connect you to your industry. It’s a great way to learn more about your future career and to meet people who may someday become your employer.

**Volunteer Opportunities**
We invite you to roll up your sleeves with a number of events throughout the year.

You’ll gain experience to add to your resumé, meet industry professionals and stay connected with fellow students. For more information about volunteer opportunities, visit sait.ca/alumni or email alumni@sait.ca.

We look forward to meeting you and seeing you throughout the year. Drop by our office at any time. We’re located in room AA113 in Heritage Hall. Good luck with your studies — we can’t wait to celebrate your successes.

Please keep in touch with us

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