



Mike McDonnell Scholarship Fund

The Mike McDonnell Scholarship Fund was established in memory of *Michael McDonnell* and the significant contribution he made, in his short life, to the Irish Sports and Social Society.

The fund was established to provide financial assistance to members or the dependents of members in good standing of the Society who have been accepted to a post secondary educational facility (i.e. University, College, or Technology Institute).

A scholarship **may** also be awarded to those who are making an **extraordinary** contribution in the field of Irish Culture or in the field of sports.

The following information includes the dates of this year's scholarship and the criteria for applying. Please feel free to share this information with any family members or friends who may wish to apply for the scholarship.

- Application forms, as of Sept. 01, 2021, will be available at the Irish Centre, on our web site at edmontonirishclub.ca or by email to edmontonirishcentre@gmail.com.
- Applications will be accepted starting **Sept. 01, 2021** until the deadline **Oct. 17, 2021**.
- The scholarship(s) will be awarded to the successful candidate(s) on **Nov. 19, 2021** at the Irish Centre.

Mike McDonnell Scholarship Criteria

Application Criteria:

- The applicant must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- The applicant must be 18 years of age or older
- The applicant must be a full-time student
- Recipients will be limited to those accepted to a university, college or technical institution
- The applicant must be a member, in good standing, of the Irish Sports & Social Society for the year in which the **Scholarship Application** applies (2021)
- The applicant must have held, in good standing, a membership to the Irish Sports & Social Society for at least one year immediately prior to the year in which the scholarship application applies (2020)

Application Requirements:

Please note an application can be denied if the following is not provided:

- All sections of the application pertaining to your request must be completed
- The application must be dated and signed by the applicant
- Responses must be clear and easy to read. If you wish to provide additional information, please feel free to attach a separate page
- Completed, signed applications will be accepted through email at edmontonirishcentre@gmail.com with the subject line reading *Mike McDonnell Scholarship*; through the post at the address below; or dropped off in a sealed envelope marked 'confidential' and addressed to:

**'Mike McDonnell Scholarship'
Irish Sports and Social Society
12546 – 126 ST NW
Edmonton AB T5L 0X3**

- All applications must be submitted by the application deadline date (**Oct. 17, 2021**).
- All applicants must submit the following with their application:
 - In the event of 'sports' or 'culture' a letter of invitation (from the sports team or cultural event) addressed directly to the applicant, personally inviting them to attend
 - A letter/notice of acceptance to a post-secondary educational facility
 - An essay of approximately 500 words related to one of the following:
 - Irish Immigration to Canada, or the impact on your life as a result of the immigration
 - Describing a difficulty that you have had to overcome; or
 - What famous person, dead or alive, would you like to talk to and explain why