

## INTERNAL CLAIMANT BURSARY

**Columbia College offers fully funded bursaries to eligible students with refugee backgrounds in the Metro Vancouver region who are undergoing the Canadian refugee claim process.**

### Eligibility

- Strong desire to re-start educational journey in Canada
- Have made a claim for refugee protection in Canada
- Intermediate English abilities (see [more information here](#))
- Preference of students who have arrived in Canada 4 years or less
- Preference for students who are willing to study full-time
- Ideal candidates are between ages 15-29

### Available Funding

- Up to 36 credits a year, subject to available funding
- All textbooks (to be returned at the end of each semester) and a locker
- All application, document assessment, and activity fees
- Field trip fees with approval
- Graduation fee

### Documents required for Admission

All applicants to submit a written statement describing: (i) why they wish to attend Columbia College and (ii) how they can make a positive contribution to college life.

Bursary students must demonstrate a willingness to commit to extra-curricular activities while studying at Columbia College. Students are expected to maintain a satisfactory GPA of 2.0 or higher.



**Interested candidates should email the following documents to College Admissions at [admissions@columbiacollege.ca](mailto:admissions@columbiacollege.ca)**

1. Acknowledgement of Claim
2. Notice of Seizure
3. Refugee Protection Claimant Document (once received)
4. Notice to Appear for Hearing (with scheduled date)
5. Valid study permit (until official PR card received)
6. Academic Documents (if available)

**If interested candidates have questions about the bursary program, please contact: Sophie Roth, Resettlement Coordinator: [sroth@columbiacollege.ca](mailto:sroth@columbiacollege.ca)**