

# THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LAW FOUNDATION/GARSON BURSARY FUND

The Northwest Territories Law Foundation has funds available to assist law student(s) in pursuing legal studies at either the undergraduate or graduate level. The primary goal of the bursary fund is that the studies be of benefit to the people of the Northwest Territories in availability and delivery of legal services in the Northwest Territories. To that end the Foundation requires successful applicants to complete a return agreement where the applicant agrees that he or she will return to the Northwest Territories following completion of law studies.

In order for an application to be considered, at least one of the following criteria must be met:

1. That the bursary is necessary to provide the means for a resident of the Northwest Territories to complete their legal studies and to return to the Northwest Territories to practice law;
2. That the bursary is necessary to assist the applicant in doing research or in pursuing a course of studies on matters relevant to the law or law related issues pertinent to and of direct benefit to the people of the Northwest Territories;
3. That the bursary is necessary for the applicant to complete or further their legal training and will in some way meet the goals of the program.

CLOSING DATE: Applications and supporting material must be received at the offices of the Law Foundation **NO LATER THAN APRIL 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.** *Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.*

WHERE TENABLE: Recognized Canadian universities.

TERMS: A bursary does not constitute a commitment beyond the year granted, but it does not preclude the grantee from applying for a grant in the following year. The Law Foundation reserves the right not to award a bursary in any given year.

FOR APPLICATIONS CONTACT:

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*PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY:*

1. Applications must be legible.
2. Applications are to be received by the office of the Law Foundation no later than **April 13<sup>th</sup> of each year**.
3. The onus is on the applicant to ensure all documentation and references are received at the office of the Law Foundation by the deadline date specified above.
4. An award of scholarship for one year is not a commitment by the Law Foundation for future funding. Applicants **MUST REAPPLY** each year.
5. If the recipient for any reason cannot complete the studies or the research, the Law Foundation must be notified immediately.
6. Applicants must disclose other funding obtained or applied for.
7. Personal interviews may be required.
8. Those applicants applying for Graduate Studies should provide the following in addition to this application:

Two (2) academic references  
if commencing an LL.M, provide a copy of your thesis topic and outline  
if applicable, a copy of the thesis written for your LL.M

9. At the conclusion of the current academic year of studies, the student must prepare a report for the Law Foundation on the results of their research or year of study and outline future plans.

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## TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS

### A. PERSONAL DATA

For the school year

\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Ms Miss Mrs Mr.  
NAME SURNAME

FULL GIVEN NAMES

IF MARRIED, GIVE MAIDEN NAME



## C. PREVIOUS EDUCATION

Complete one line for the locations you attended school i.e. public school, high school, college, university

FROM - TO	LOCATION	NAME OF SCHOOL	DEGREE OBTAINED

***PLEASE HAVE ALL YOUR TRANSCRIPTS SENT DIRECTLY FROM THE EDUCATION INSTITUTION TO THE LAW FOUNDATION.***

## D. WORK & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Please append a concise resume outlining your work and volunteer experience and location of that experience.

## E. ACADEMIC DISTINCTIONS, HONOURS AND OTHER AWARDS

*(Note date received and attach copies of diplomas)*

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List any relevant publications

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## F. EXTRA-CURRICULAR/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

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## TO BE COMPLETED BY UNDERGRADUATES

University presently enrolled at \_\_\_\_\_

Course of study \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be continuing at the above university? YES NO

If NO, where \_\_\_\_\_

Ultimate degree you expect to obtain \_\_\_\_\_

For which year of study will the grant be applied? 1 2 3 4

Are you eligible for and will you be receiving any financial assistance under an employment or educational subsidy plan including loans, grants or scholarships?

Yes No

If YES please provide full details:

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Where do you intend to practice law after graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

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List below two (2) persons you have requested to provide letters of reference. Please ask your references to comment on your scholarship abilities and personal qualities and to mail the letters of reference directly to the Law Foundation.

NAME	ADDRESS	POSITION	TELEPHONE

Declaration for Application for Financial Assistance (to be signed by all Applicants):

I HEREBY make application for financial assistance and DECLARE that the information contained in the application is complete and true in every respect.

DATED at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 200\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

## RETURN AGREEMENT

Between

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LAW FOUNDATION  
(the Foundation)

and

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(the Student)

WHEREAS the Student is enrolled in a course of legal studies for the 200\_\_ - 200\_\_ academic year;

AND WHEREAS the Student has committed to return to the Northwest Territories at the completion of the Student's legal studies;

AND WHEREAS the Foundation has agreed based upon the Student's commitment, to provide funds to the Student to assist the Student in pursuing legal studies;

THEREFORE the Foundation and the Student agree as follows:

1. Upon receipt of proof of the Student's enrollment in legal studies for the 200\_\_ - 200\_\_ academic year, the Foundation will pay to the Student the \$\_\_\_\_\_ (the Loan Amount).
2. The Student agrees that, following the completion of Student's legal studies, the Student will return to the Northwest Territories and remain in the Northwest Territories for a period of two years (the Return Service Period).
3. Should the Student fail to return to the Northwest Territories and remain in the Northwest Territories for the Return Service Period, the Student is required to repay to the Foundation the Loan Amount.
4. Should the Student return to the Northwest Territories following the completion of the Student's legal studies but not remain in the Northwest Territories for the entire Return Service Period, the Student is required to repay to the Foundation a portion of the Loan Amount. The portion to be repaid shall be calculated based upon the number of months remaining in the Return Service Period at the time the Student leaves the Northwest Territories divided by 24 and multiplied by the Loan Amount.

(For example, if the Student leaves with 18 months remaining in the Return Service Period, the Student shall repay 18/24 of the Loan Amount.)

5. The Student agrees that the Foundation may take any such steps as may be necessary to recover payment of any amounts owing by the Student to the Foundation under paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Agreement.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_. 200\_\_

Northwest Territories Law Foundation  
Per:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

# **NWT LAW FOUNDATION/GARSON BURSARY FUND CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING APPLICATIONS**

## ***STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:***

The Bursary Fund was established in 1990. It is intended that the fund be used to advance the legal education of the people of the Northwest Territories by assisting the chosen recipients to pursue legal studies at either the undergraduate or graduate levels. The primary goal of the Bursary Fund is that the studies be of benefit to the people of the Northwest Territories by increasing the availability and delivery of legal services in the Northwest Territories.

## ***CRITERIA:***

An applicant must demonstrate to the Board:

That the applicant was a resident of the Northwest Territories for at least three years immediately preceding attendance at a post-secondary education institution;

That the applicant intends to practice law in the Northwest Territories or, in some other manner, intends to apply his or her legal studies to work conducted in or for the direct benefit of the people of the Northwest Territories;

That the bursary applied for is necessary to provide the financial means for the applicant to complete his or her legal studies.

## ***EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS:***

Applicants will be evaluated on the following:

Residency in the Northwest Territories of at least 3 years;

Attendance at secondary school in the Northwest Territories;

Financial need;

Academic achievements;

Community involvement;

Letters of reference;

Applicant must be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrants;

Applicant must be attending a Canadian University;

Intention to return to the Northwest Territories after graduation;

Leadership qualities;

Be able to demonstrate potential benefits of legal studies to the people of the Northwest Territories.