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## Federal/Provincial Grant for Post-Secondary Students with Permanent Disabilities Schedule 4



#### Information and Instructions

If you have a documented permanent disability and are attending post-secondary studies, you may be eligible to receive more student aid. You must include medical documents with your first application.

#### What is a Permanent Disability?

A permanent disability is a functional limitation caused by a physical or mental impairment that restricts the ability of a person to perform the daily activities necessary to participate in studies at a post-secondary level or labour force, and is expected to remain with the person for the person's expected natural life.

#### Before applying...

Talk with a Disability Advisor/Reviewer at your school about your educational goals and what kind of supports may already be in place at your chosen institution.

## What permanent disability student aid could I be eliqible for?

- Canada Student Grant for Students with Permanent Disabilities: \$2,000 per loan year to assist you with education and living costs.
- Canada Student Grant for Services and Equipment for Students with Permanent Disabilities: Up to \$8,000 per loan year to help you with exceptional education related costs such as assistive services or equipment.
- The Canada Student Grants program may cover up to 75% of the cost of a Learning Assessment (up to a maximum of \$1,200 per loan year) if the assessment confirms you have a learning disability.

#### When should I apply?

It is best to apply by early July for September study. You can apply at any time of the year but Alberta Student Aid must receive your application, including Schedule 4, at least 30 days before this application's session end date.

#### What is a reduced course load?

Your disability may limit you from taking a full course load. If so, you can carry as little as 40% of a full course load and still apply for full-time student aid. Your Schedule 4 must be signed by an official at your school to confirm that you are taking a reduced course load. If you are studying part-time, you may also be eligible for permanent disability funding. A part-time application can be printed from studentaid.alberta.ca

#### Tips for completing your Schedule 4

- All \$ amounts must be submitted in Canadian dollars.
- If you apply for student aid online, you must still submit a paper Schedule 4.
- Attach all required documentation to your Schedule 4.
- The Disability Advisor/Reviewer at your school is required to sign Section 4 of your Schedule 4.
- If you are applying for a reduced course load, Section 3 of your Schedule 4 must be signed by an official at your school.
   The Disability Advisor/Reviewer at your school may also be authorized to sign this section. Check with the advisor/ reviewer first for assistance and further instructions.

#### Do I need to keep receipts?

If you receive student aid for assistive services and equipment, you must submit your receipts to Alberta Student Aid by the end of your current study period to show that the student aid you received was used as intended. Write your Social Insurance Number (SIN) and your name on each receipt.

If you do not use all of the student aid, you must return the unused funds to Alberta Student Aid. Make your cheque or money order payable to Government of Alberta. If you do not send receipts or return the unused funds, you will be in an overaward situation.

#### **Upload or Mail Your Form**

#### Send documents electronically\*

- 1. Visit studentaid.alberta.ca
- 2. Sign in to your account
- **3.** Submit securely using Upload Electronic Document(s)
- \*For assistance: eDoc Upload FAQs

#### **Mailing Address**

Alberta Student Aid Attention: Disability Grants PO Box 28000 Stn Main Edmonton AB T5J 4R4

#### **Applicant Agreement**

If I receive a disability grant for services or equipment for post-secondary students with permanent disabilities, I hereby agree to provide, by the end of my current study period, receipts which will show that the student aid was spent for its intended purposes.

Include your name and Social Insurance Number on all receipts sent in.

Applicant's Signature	Today's Date			Telephone Number (format: 999-999-9999)	
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#### Information and Instructions - Continued

#### What documents do I need to include?

You must include:

- An Application for Financial Assistance available at studentaid.alberta.ca
- A Schedule 4 (submit if this is your first application or if you are requesting services and equipment)
- Proof of your permanent disability Medical documents identifying your permanent disability and describing how it restricts your ability to participate in post-secondary studies must be submitted with your first application as a student with a permanent disability. The documents may include:
  - Copies of a medical letter,
  - A learning disability assessment, or
  - A document proving you are in receipt of federal and/or provincial disability assistance such as AISH.

- An estimate of equipment costs If you request funding for equipment, you must provide an estimate of your equipment costs. New estimates will be required each additional time you request funding for equipment.
- Assessment fee If an assessment confirms you have a
  learning disability, you may be reimbursed up to 75% of the
  cost of this service (up to a maximum of \$1,200 per loan year).
   The date of the assessment must be no earlier than six months
  before you start your studies. You must supply a receipt
  showing that you paid for this service.

**TIP:** Check with the Disability Advisor/Reviewer at your school first. They can provide information about assistive services and equipment.

#### **Summary of Disability Documentation Required**

Type of Disability	Documentation Required		
Deaf, Hearing Impaired	Audiologist report, or     Letter from a physician with an explanation of the degree of hearing loss		
Blind, Visually Impaired	Specialist report, or     Letter from a physician with a description of the functional limitations		
Learning Disability	Psycho-educational report from a Psychologist, or     Neuro-psychological report		
Speech	Speech language pathologist report		
Mobility/Agility Impairment	Specialist report, or     Letter from a physician with an explanation of the nature of the mobility/agility impairment (functional limitation)		
ADD / ADHD	<ul> <li>Psychologist report, or</li> <li>Neuro-psychological report, or</li> <li>Letter from a psychiatrist, or</li> <li>Letter from a physician with details about the diagnosis</li> </ul>		
Psychiatric or Psychological	<ul> <li>Psychologist report with a DSM diagnosis, or</li> <li>Letter from a psychiatrist with a DSM diagnosis, or</li> <li>Letter from a physician with details about the diagnosis including the DSM</li> </ul>		
Autism, Asperger, Rett	Psychologist report, or     Letter from a physician with details about the diagnosis		
Brain Injury/Cognitive Impairment	Neuro-Psychological report, or     Brain injury/cognitive impairment report/assessment		
Other Permanent Disability such as:	Chronic Fatigue: a detailed letter from physician     Irlen Syndrome: assessment report from a certified Irlen Screener		

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Advanced Education is collecting this personal information under the authority of section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (Alberta) to determine and verify the Applicant's eligibility for financial assistance, to administer (including research, statistical analysis and evaluations) and to enforce student financial assistance programs in accordance with the *Student Financial Assistance Act* (Alberta), the *Canada Student Loans Act* and the *Canada Student Financial Assistance Act*, each as may be amended from time to time. The use and disclosure of your personal information is managed in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (Alberta). If you have any questions about the collection, use or disclosure of this information, call the Alberta Student Aid Service Centre toll free at 1-855-606-2096 from anywhere in North America. You can also mail your questions to Alberta Student Aid, Privacy Officer, PO Box 28000 Stn Main, Edmonton AB T5J 4R4.

To complete a fillable form: 1. Save to your desktop. 2. Complete form. 3. Save final. Check, then submit. Never complete in a browser.

Applicant's Last Name	Applicant's First Name					
This schedule is complete only if all required documentation is submitted.  Before you start, read the information on the Information and Instructions pages.  Social Insurance Number						
You must submit a Schedule 4 if (check all that apply):  This is the first time you are applying as a student with a do	ocumented permanent disability, and/or					
You are requesting assistive services and equipment (complete Sections 1, 2), and/or						
You are enrolling in a reduced course load (your school must	st complete Section 3)					
Enter your current study period start and end dates for the 2017/2018 school year.	Year Day Month	Year J J J				
Learning Assessment Fee (enter 75% of the cost up to a maxin	num of \$1,200)   \$	must attach receipt.)				
Assistive Services     (Enter TOTAL amount for the current study period)	· your	тесери)				
☐ Note Taker \$	Educational Attendant Care (while in school)					
Tutor (with specific course knowledge)	Specialized Transportation (to and from school only)					
Academic Strategist \$	Other Services	\$				
Interpreter (Oral, Sign, CART) \$	<u> </u>	\$				
2. Equipment/Assistive Technology	_	\$				
Check appropriate box(es) and provide one estimate		Φ				
Enter the description and amount for the current study per	riod					
☐ Electronic Reading/Writing Software	Assistive Devices for Hearing					
\$		\$				
Assistive Software	Alternate Formats	<u> </u>				
\$		\$				
Digital Recorder	Other Equipment					
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Assistive Devices for the Visually Impaired		\$				
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3. Reduced Course Load (to be completed by the Disability Advencelling in between 40% to 59% of a full course load and wan	
What is the student's percentage of a full course load?	6
Signature of School Official	Printed Name of School Official
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4. Nature of Permanent Disability (Documentation regarding the reprovided.) Please check appropriate box(es):  Deaf, Hearing Impaired Blind, Visually Impaired Learning Disability (list below) Learning Disability (list below)  Brain Injury/Cognitive Other Permanent Disa for definition of permanent Disa for definition Disa for def	ogical Impairment bility (see <i>Information and Instructions</i>
TOTAL recommended services/equipment \$	Attach documentation itemizing the assistive services and/or equipment that covers the above.
Comments	
Email Address of Disability Advisor/Reviewer	
Signature of Disability Advisor/Reviewer	Name (please print)
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