

Colin Starnes Award application form



This full tuition award will be granted annually to a Nova Scotian student who, in the opinion of the selection committee:

1. Would otherwise be unlikely or unable to attend King's Foundation Year Program
2. Would make a unique contribution to the life of the university; and
3. Would uniquely benefit from a King's education.

Instructions for submitting this form: When saving your changes to this PDF, rename this PDF using the following format: [Last Name,First Name]_Starnes_Scholarship_Application. For example: Smith,Joe_Starnes_Scholarship_Application. Email your scholarship documents to awards@ukings.ca by **March 1**.

Section 1: Personal information

Name: _____

Student number (if known), i.e. B00: _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email: _____

Date of birth: _____

High school: _____

Name of your referee (high school principal): _____

Section 2: Please describe your interest in the University of King's College and the ways in which you would contribute to college life.

Section 3: Please describe the ways in which you feel your participation in the Foundation Year Program would be of benefit to you.

Section 4: Essay

Some have said “there are no facts, only interpretations.” Write an essay (maximum 500 words) that tries to explain what this controversial notion might mean. It could mean many things in many different contexts and you do not need to take up a strong agree/disagree position in your essay. What might lead a person to assert such a claim? Can you think of current or historical situations or debates that would lend weight to one side or the other? Do not do any research to find out what others have said on this topic, though you may engage authors or material you’ve already studied in your discussion if this helps you to develop your own thinking. The strongest papers will examine the claim from more than one angle, show evidence of creative thinking, and express ideas in clear, structured, and interesting ways.

Section 5: Please describe the barriers that may threaten your ability to attend the University of King's College. If your reasons include anticipated difficulties in financing your education, please have your parent(s) or guardian(s) complete and sign the financial information section.

Section 6: Financial information

To be completed by parent(s) or guardian(s). Please note that this information is required only if the applicant cites educational cost as a barrier to attending the University of King's College.

Occupation and yearly income of parents/guardians: If the applicant's parents are separated/divorced, please provide the information and signature for the parent who has custody of the applicant. If neither parent has custody, please provide the information and signature for the parent with whom the applicant resides.

Parent/guardian name: _____

Occupation: _____

Yearly gross income: _____

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List the names, ages and relationships of individuals who are dependent on you:

How many of the dependents listed above will be attending a post-secondary institution on a full-time basis during the upcoming academic year?

Declaration of parent/guardian:

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the information provided is correct.

Date: _____

Signatures: _____

Section 7: Application Checklist

I have submitted a complete admission application to a degree program at the University of King's College, including application form, fee and required supporting documents to date.

If educational cost is a barrier to attending the University of King's College, I have had my parent(s)/guardian(s) complete Section 6 (occupation and yearly income).

I have asked my high school principal to act as a reference for me, and I have provided that person with the appropriate reference form and requested that the form be sent directly to the University of King's College either by email or by regular post. Addresses for both options are included on the reference forms.

I have submitted an original essay about this year's topic provided by King's.

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: _____

I hereby authorize the University of King's College to release my name, hometown and program of study to the donors of the Colin Starnes Award.

Yes

No

Please note: All completed scholarship application forms, your original essay and names of referees must be emailed to awards@ukings.ca no later than **March 1**.

Reminder: Your mid-year grades must be submitted to the King's Registrar's Office by **March 1**.

Reference Form—High School Principal

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King's Foundation Year Program is a single, challenging first year course that looks at a variety of subjects and disciplines simultaneously. Starting with Ancient Mesopotamia and ending with the contemporary world, the curriculum encompasses great literary and philosophical texts of western civilization. At the end of this Program, students will have acquired a solid foundation in the western intellectual tradition.

This form is to be signed by the high school principal. The reference will be treated as strictly confidential and will be read only by members of the Scholarship Committee.

Name of applicant: _____

The Scholarship Committee will look for some definite qualities of distinction, whether of intellect or character, or both. In addition to your evaluation of specific points as noted above, the Committee would appreciate a frank statement in your own words. Details are often more helpful than generalizations. Please take as much space as you require, using an extra sheet if necessary, to tell us everything you think we should know about the applicant. Please do not hesitate to write about the candidate's limitations as well as strong points. A critical appraisal will add to, rather than detract from, the usefulness of your statement, since scholarship committees tend naturally to be dubious of recommendations that imply that the candidate has no limitations whatever.

Statement:

Reference Form—High School Principal

This award is intended to assist students who are well-suited to King's Foundation Year Program but who may face challenges in attending for a number of reasons. We anticipate that some students will face financial barriers, but we are open to considering a wide range of situations. Please describe the barriers that may prevent this applicant from attending the University of King's College. You may attach additional material if you wish—one-page maximum.

Name of referee: _____

Address of referee: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email address: _____

Signature of referee: _____

Date: _____

Reference documents can be emailed or mailed to King's. Please send electronic documents to awards@ukings.ca no later than **March 1**. If mailing, please send form (postmarked no later than March 1) to:

**The Secretary of the Scholarship Committee
Registrar's Office
University of King's College
6350 Coburg Road
Halifax, NS B3H 2A1**