

## 2022 BCIA Scholarship, Description and Eligibility Criteria

### About the BCIA Scholarships

The BC Institute of Agrologists may award up to **two \$1500 scholarships** annually to support aspiring agrologists studying in British Columbia. One award may be given to a student who has completed at least two years of study in an undergraduate program, and one award may be given to a student in a graduate program.

**The deadline for applications is Monday, October 31, 2022**. The BCIA Communications Working Group will adjudicate eligible applications. The scholarships will be awarded by December 15, 2022. Questions regarding scholarships may be sent to <u>Karen Tyrrell</u>.

### Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

Scholarship applicants must:

- Be currently enrolled in a degree program related to agrology in a recognized British Columbia post-secondary institution;
- ✓ Be undergraduate students must have completed at least two (2) years of an undergraduate degree program, and be full-time students;
- ✓ Be graduate students, may be full or part-time students with no fewer than two (2) courses;
- Be a student member or registrant of BCIA (Complete the student member application at no cost);
- ✓ Be Canadian or be a permanent resident of Canada;
- ✓ Have a minimum of a B+ average academic achievement in the previous two (2) years with a minimum of 15 courses, towards post-secondary degree studies.



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#### Essay

Applicants must submit an essay that answers the following question:

How does Indigenous reconciliation have the potential to strengthen the practice of Agrology? Consider your areas of practice in your answer.

Winning essays will demonstrate the writer's understanding of one area of diversity in agrology in British Columbia, and will demonstrate idea development and understanding of agrology together with evidence and supporting points. Essays should be no longer than 750-900 words, excluding citations and footnotes. Spelling, grammar, format, style, and content will also be considered during adjudication.

### **Expectations of Scholarship Recipients**

- ✓ Scholarship recipients will be eligible for no more than one BCIA scholarship.
- ✓ Scholarship recipients will have their photo and essay published on the BCIA website, on social media and in promotional materials.
- ✓ Winners may be recognized at a local BCIA branch event or the provincial AGM.



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### How to Apply

Each application package will include:

- 1. Completed application form
- 2. Official, original transcripts\*
- 3. Essay (750-900 words) that answers the following question:

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#### Mail

Scholarships: BC Institute of Agrologists, 110 – 2800 Bryn Maur Road, Victoria, BC V9B 3T4

\*Mailed scholarship applications must include the application form, essay, and official unopened transcripts, and be post-marked no later than Monday, October 31, 2022.

#### Email:

Digital application, the essay, transcripts, and the completed application form should be emailed to <u>Karen Tyrrell</u>. All components must be received **no later than Monday, October 31, 2022**.