Careers Ahead Fact Sheet 2018-2019

French Language Bursary and Language Assistant Programs

The French Programs and Services Branch of the Nova Scotia Department of Education and Early Childhood Development in cooperation with Canadian Heritage, offers several French language bursaries and employment opportunities for students.

Bursary Program for Full-time Students

Bursary to encourage students to pursue full-time studies in French at Université Sainte-Anne or another francophone institution in Canada, where French is the language of instruction. The bursary is valued at \$ 2,000 for students with *no* previous post-secondary education and \$ 1,000 for students *with* post-secondary education.

The application deadline is May 15th for students with no previous post-secondary education and September 30th for students with some post-secondary education.

Explore - French Immersion Program

A five-week intensive French-immersion program (offered during the spring or summer) for students completing Grade 11, 12, or currently at the post-secondary level. Courses are offered at participating post-secondary institutions in Canada. The program provides \$ 2,800 in government funding that covers major expenses such as tuition, meals, accommodation, socio-cultural activities, and program materials.

The first draw is February 15^{th} with recurring draws thereafter.

NEW! Explore (ages 13 to 15) French Immersion Program

A three-week intensive French-immersion program (offered during the summer) for students between the ages of 13 to 15. Courses are offered at participating post-secondary institutions in Canada. The program provides \$ 2,000 in government funding that covers major expenses such as tuition, meals, accommodation, most socio-cultural activities. Two of the major costs that the participant has to cover are the registration fees and travel expenses.

The first draw takes place in March.

Destination Clic - Summer French Program

A three-week intensive language development and cultural exchange program designed specifically for *Acadians and Francophones* (grades 8 or 9), outside of Quebec, to enhance their language skills while developing an appreciation of French and its culture. The program provides \$ 2,000 in government funding that covers tuition, accommodation, meals, socio-cultural activities and program materials. Participants may apply for a partial reimbursement of their travel expenses.

The application deadline is March 31st.

Odyssey Program

Full-time employment opportunity to work as a French language assistant* in P-12 schools with placements throughout Canada. The program is 25 hours per week and is remunerated at \$ 20.55 per hour from September to May (\$ 18,500 total).

The application deadline is February 28th.

* Applicants must have completed, by the start of your work term and within the last ten years, at least one year of post-secondary studies.

Bursary Program for French Teachers

Bursary to encourage teachers who hold a Nova Scotia teacher's certificate to pursue courses which are either pedagogical in nature or designed to improve French language competencies. Courses must be taken at Université Sainte-Anne *or* be at the master's level at a Canadian, francophone post-secondary institution.

The application deadline for fall or winter courses is October 15^{th} . The deadline for spring or summer courses is April 30^{th} .

Nova Scotia French Language Assistant Program

Part-time employment opportunity for full-time post-secondary students to work as French language assistants in P-12 schools. The program is 8 hours per week from early October to March 31st and is remunerated at \$ 20.55 per hour (\$ 3,945.60 total).

The application deadline is February 28th.