



Funeral Service Association of Canada / Association des services funéraires du Canada

FUNERAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF CANADA NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION DEADLINE MARCH 13, 2026

ELIGIBILITY

Any registered student attending any recognized Canadian Funeral Service Education program on a full-time basis and in good academic standing.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

1. Letter from applicant's educational institution confirming
 - a. that the applicant is in good standing; and
 - b. that the applicant's instructor has reviewed the submission and can confirm that it meets application criteria.
2. Two written character reference letters.
3. Two copies of the Essay Application, provided in a separate Word document, evoking and demonstrating the behavioural competencies prescribed below (approximately 1500 words).
4. The Essay Application may be submitted in either official language.
5. One blinded copy of the Essay Application (removing applicant's identifiable information). For instructions on blinding visit:
http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/pdf/Author/anonymous_peer_review.pdf
6. Send all information electronically to info@fsac.ca.
7. One unblinded copy of the Essay Application (displaying applicant's information, such as name, address, school, etc.)
8. Verify that spelling and grammar is correct throughout the Essay Application.
9. Applications and supporting material must be received by the application deadline indicated above.
10. No inappropriate language is permitted in the Essay Application.

***** Failure to comply with the Application Guidelines will result in that Essay Application being disqualified. *****

APPLICATION CRITERIA

Education:

Applicant should demonstrate their commitment to education specifically their Funeral Service Education programming.

Professional Passion:

Applicant should clearly demonstrate their passion for a career in Funeral Service and may consider speaking to their path of evolution to date.

Community Involvement:

Applicant should highlight in detail their involvement with community service:

- Any recognition that has been received should be noted and included.
- Testimonials are welcome.

Integrity:

Applicant should clearly demonstrate how they have and intend to uphold both their personal integrity and the integrity of the profession at all crossroads of their career.

Teamwork:

Applicants should detail their leadership in any team environment and how they intend to mirror that leadership in their anticipated career.

Excellence:

Finally, the applicant should clearly communicate how they have subscribed to and intends to remain true to a path of excellence, as they venture into the Funeral Service profession.

CAVEAT:

Submissions may be published by FSAC and/or a national funeral magazine. It is understood by the applicant that, by submitting their essay, they are authorizing FSAC to publish their work.

RESOURCES

Instructions on Blinding a copy:

**For clarity, submissions must be the original work of the applicant. The use of artificial intelligence tools to generate or substantially edit essay content is not permitted. Any concerns regarding plagiarism or AI use will be investigated by the Chair of the Membership Committee and may result in disqualification.