

Programs for Students with Disabilities

StudentAid BC offers grants and bursaries (funding you do not have to repay) to eligible students who have a permanent disability, or a persistent or prolonged disability.

You can access these assistance programs through the StudentAid BC loan application. To be eligible, you must provide medical documentation that verifies your permanent, or persistent or prolonged disability and states how your disability impacts your activities in an educational setting.



Permanent Disability is defined as "any impairment, including a physical, mental, intellectual, cognitive, learning, communication or sensory impairment - or a functional limitation - that restricts the ability of a person to perform the daily activities necessary to pursue studies at a post-secondary school level or to participate in the labour force and that is expected to remain with the person for the person's expected life."

Persistent or Prolonged Disability is defined as "any impairment, including a physical, mental, intellectual, cognitive, learning, communication or sensory impairment - or a functional limitation - that restricts the ability of a person to perform the daily activities necessary to pursue studies at a post-secondary school level or to participate in the labour force and has lasted, or is expected to last, for a period of at least 12 months but is not expected to remain with the person for the person's expected life."

Grants and bursaries can help you with the cost of:

- Education and living expenses
- Education-related services and/or equipment
- Educational assessment for a learning disability.

Learn more at: www.studentaidbc.ca/explore/grants-scholarships **Got a question?** Contact the accessibility coordinator at your school.