

SickKids Indigenous and Black Nursing Students Award Application Tip Sheet

Application Tips:

- Carefully read through the application instructions and include all required information.
- Proofread your application. If possible, ask a friend, colleague, or family member to review your application.
- Check out your school's Career Centre for writing support. Career Centres can help with style, proofreading, and language support.
- Use the scoring card posted on the award's webpage to see how your application will be evaluated.

Letter of Intent Tips:

- Keep it concise! The content should be easy to follow.
- 800 words maximum.
- Demonstrate your understanding of child and family-centred care and strengths-based nursing with examples. Sharing your story while connecting it to SickKids' core values and care philosophy will be rated more highly.
- Ensure your letter of intent touches on all the points outlined within the instructions. The Review Committee requires sufficient details in order to review and rate your application.
- Include your own specific initiatives or accomplishments in your responses. Share examples.

Résumé Tips:

- Tailor your résumé to SickKids.
- Your résumé should be no longer than two pages and have an easy-to-read format. More does not always mean better!
- Your résumé should highlight your key academic, professional, and personal experiences with paediatric populations.
- Include student experiences in paediatrics, whether at SickKids or elsewhere.
- The Indeed website job board has several nursing-specific resources to help you fine-tune your résumé. You can find [résumé templates](#), as well as [articles](#) for new nurses.

Reference Letter Tips:

- Reference letters speak to your character.
- Include specific examples. These letters tend to be viewed as stronger references.
- Give your referee ample time to provide you with a reference letter.
- Share the scoring card with your referee so they can highlight your strengths.

Additional Resources:

- [SickKids Vision, Mission and Values](#)
- [SickKids Strategic Plan](#)
- [Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion \(EDI\) Strategy](#)
- [SickKids Nursing Website](#)
- [Canadian Paediatric Nursing \(CAPN\) Standards](#)

- [Paediatric competencies \(CNA\)](#)
- [Strengths-Based Nursing Care: Health and Healing for Person and Family](#)

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Key Dates:

The 2023-2024 Nursing Student Award Application Deadline is **Thursday, May 4th 2023.**

Due to the competitive nature of this award, late applications will not be accepted; please plan ahead.