



# The OGSA Turfgrass Education Awards

## SCHOLARSHIP POLICY STATEMENT:

The OGSA has developed this scholarship program to recognize scholastic achievement and leadership in the field of turfgrass management.

**FUNDING: Two awards will be presented in denominations of \$1500 each.** Applicants can re-apply multiple years providing they still fulfil the criteria but can only be awarded this scholarship once.

## SELECTION:

Selection for diploma and degree students will be based on the following:

- Scholastic accomplishment (20%)
- Resume – community / industry involvement (20%)
- Leadership & interest in turfgrass management (30%)
- Demonstrated commitment to a career in golf course turfgrass management (20%)
- Application presentation (10%)

## TO QUALIFY:

1. The applicant must be attending a recognized university or college, be enrolled in a recognized turfgrass program, have successfully completed at least one semester, and have secured employment as a turfgrass employee at an Ontario golf course for the upcoming season.
2. The applicant must be an OGSA member in good standing for the year of application.
3. Applicants must include:
  - proof of program registration via their most recent transcript.
  - a current resume which includes: contact details, educational background, academic advisor's name and contact details, experience related to turfgrass management, community involvement, and other relevant leadership experience.
  - a letter confirming employment or internship from the Ontario golf course superintendent where they will work throughout the upcoming season.
4. The applicant must complete the following questions and provide the following information as part of their essay submission.
  - a) How did you become interested in the Turfgrass profession?
  - b) Why do you feel you would be a good candidate to receive this award?
  - c) What are your goals and objectives upon graduation?

## APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND DEADLINE: April 1, 2026.

Please combine all components of your application into one PDF file and email the application to: [manager@ogsa.ca](mailto:manager@ogsa.ca) no later than 11:59pm on April 1, 2026.