

Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Can I apply for an Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship if I am transferring to another institution to pursue a different degree program than the one in which I am currently enrolled?

A. No. This scholarship is intended for students who are leaving their current institution to complete their studies at another institution. To be eligible, students must be transferring the credits they have earned at their current institution to the institution they plan on attending to complete their current program.

Ike Barber Transfer Scholarships are for students who are transferring to complete the program in which they are currently enrolled. If a student is transferring from a Science program to an Arts program, they are not eligible to apply for an Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship.

Q. Who is considered a First-Year Student under the Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship program?

A. For this scholarship program, a First Year Student is one who completed a minimum of 21 transferable credits at a BC public post-secondary institution. To apply for an Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship, a First Year Student *must* transfer to complete their current program of study. (In other words, transferring is not optional, or by choice – it is required.)

First-Year Students whose transfer is not required to continue or to complete their programs are considered “discretionary transferring student” and are therefore not eligible to apply for this scholarship.

Q. Who is considered a Second-year Student under the Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship program?

A. For this scholarship program, a Second-Year Student is one who completed a minimum of 45 transferable credits at a BC public post-secondary institution. To apply for an Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship, a Second-Year Student *chooses to* transfer to complete their current program of study. (In other words, transferring is optional, or by choice – it is not required.)

A second-year student *chooses* to transfer to complete their degree.

Q. When do I need to complete the required number of credits to apply for an Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship?

A. To be eligible you will need to have completed the required number of credits (21 or 45) before your actual transfer to a new institution.

You do *not* need to complete all required credits *before* you apply but must complete them before your actual transfer takes place – usually in September. Credits earned during spring and summer semesters can be counted if completed prior to a fall or winter semester transfer. (Transcript must show that you are enrolled in the spring or summer courses that you plan to include in your required credit count.) Grades from spring and summer courses will be included and calculated for GPA standing prior to the payment of any scholarship awarded.)

Q. Can I apply for an Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship if am a part-time student?

A. No. Only students studying full-time are eligible to apply for this scholarship. (Students with medical or disability exemptions recognized by their current institution can apply.)

Q. Can I apply for an Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship if I took time-off from my current studies?

A. No. To be eligible for this scholarship, attendance in your current program of study must be continuous and without gap semesters or years.

Q. Do all credits from my transcript count?

A. No. Only credits from the courses directly related to the diploma or degree you are currently pursuing are counted.

Q. What can I do if I miss the application deadline?

A. Application deadlines for Ike Barber Transfer Scholarships are firm. Late applications will ***not be accepted***. Applications are only considered complete and acceptable for adjudication if all documents including, transcripts and references, are received by the Society before the deadline.

Q. Are all my credits taken into consideration?

A. No. Only courses that grant specific grades can be accepted as part of your credit count for this scholarship. (Nursing Program Practicum credits **are accepted.**)

Q. Do I need to provide an “official” transcript?

A. “Official” transcripts are *not* required. However, the transcript you provide must have your name, institution’s name and all courses listed with credits earned and grades. The transcript must have all graded courses for the past year (for First-year applicants) and all graded course for the two previous years (for Second-year applicants). The student’s name on the transcript must match the applicant’s name on this scholarship application.

Q. Can I apply if I attend a private institution?

A. No. The Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship is only available to students enrolled in study at one of BCs public post-secondary institutions and who will be transferring to another one of BCs public post-secondary institutions. There are no exceptions to this rule.

If the institution you are currently attending is *not* on this list, you are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.

- BC Institute of Technology
- Camosun College
- Capilano University
- Coast Mountain College
- College of New Caledonia
- College of the Rockies
- Douglas College
- Emily Carr University of Art and Design
- Justice Institute of BC
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University
- Langara College
- Nicola Valley Institute of Technology
- North Island College
- Northern Lights College
- Okanagan College
- Royal Roads University
- Selkirk College

- Simon Fraser University
- Thompson Rivers University
- University of British Columbia
- University of Northern British Columbia
- University of the Fraser Valley
- University of Victoria
- Vancouver Community College
- Vancouver Island University

Q. Who can list as my reference?

A. Your reference must come from an individual who can comment on your character, accomplishments, and any challenges you have faced.

When you apply online you will be asked to provide the name and contact information for your chosen reference.

This reference will receive an invitation from the Society to provide a reference on your behalf which they will be asked to submit directly to the Society. You will *not* receive copies of the references they provide.

It is good idea to speak with your intended reference before you include them on your application so that they will be expecting the invitation the Society will send to them.

Your reference must be received by the Society *before* the application deadline. It may be necessary for you to remind your reference that responding to the Society's invitation is important and time sensitive.

Q. Can I change my reference?

A. Yes. As long as you have not completed and submitted your application you can change who you want to serve as your reference. On the application site, you will need to delete the reference you have previously provided and submit a new name and contact information.