

## **APOS Careers in Conservation Scholarship**

### **ABOUT APOS**

Alberta's outfitters were some of the earliest pioneers of the tourism industry in our province, with the first guided hunts taking clients into Alberta's rugged backcountry in the late 1800s. Today our society represents 500 professional outfitters and nearly 1,600 hunting guides, creating a total economic contribution of \$327 million to Alberta's gross domestic product.

In 1997, the Alberta Professional Outfitters Society (APOS) was established as a delegated administrative organization (DAO) for the Government of Alberta. APOS' delegated responsibilities include licensing the province's guides and professional outfitters, managing the distribution of guided hunting allocations, and holding members accountable to a Code of Ethics. We provide members with access to liability insurance, a voice within government, and advocacy on key issues.

#### APOS CAREERS IN CONSERVATION SCHOLARSHIP

The APOS Careers in Conservation Scholarship was established in 2020, and to date has given nearly \$15,000 funding to support post-secondary students enrolled in wildlife biology and management, wildlife conservation enforcement, or related studies. The scholarship of up to \$1,000 is intended to support the dreams and goals of those who are passionate about wildlife conservation and appreciative of the role played by hunters and outfitters.

#### ELIGIBILITY

The scholarship is available to Albertan full-time post-secondary students in programs such as Wildlife Technician, Wildlife Biology and Management, Wildlife Conservation Enforcement, Biological Sciences, or Environmental Studies. Preference will be given to students from rural Alberta communities, who are attending post-secondary educational institutes in Alberta.

#### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

All applicants must complete the attached application form and provide a short biography with their background, why they have chosen this area of study, and their career goals. All applicants must provide a short essay (300-500 words) about the role of hunting in wildlife management.

Applications are reviewed by APOS Scholarship Committee on the following criteria: overall quality of the essay, demonstration of being conservation-minded, connection to hunting and wildlife conservation, career goals, and the relevance of their program to their conservation goals. Applications without an essay will not be considered.

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

The application deadline is June 30 of the current year. Applications are reviewed before September.



# APOS Careers in Conservation Scholarship Application Form

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name	Last Name	Email Address	
Mailing Address		City	
Province	Postal Code	Home Phone #	Cell Phone #

#### **EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION**

Name of Secondar	y Institute		Campus Location (city)	
Program Type:	Certificate	🗆 Diploma 🛛 D	egree 🗆 Trade	
Delivery Method:	$\Box$ In-class	□ Online/Distance	□ Blended	
Program of Study			Start Date	Length of Program
Attending: 🗆	Full-time 🗌	Part-time	Student ID#	

\*Please include a copy of your confirmation of enrollment from your school. Confirmation should include tuition costs, as well as the courses you are enrolled in.