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## OPSEU/SEFPO Fred Upshaw Scholarship Application Form

Application Due Date extended to: July 30, 2021

### About the Fred Upshaw Scholarship:

OPSEU/SEFPO is offering a new standing scholarship to be offered annually of \$1,000 in honour of Fred Upshaw, former OPSEU/SEFPO President from 1990-1995. It is open to dependents of Black and other racialized OPSEU/SEFPO members.

Upshaw was a registered nurse at the Whitby Psychiatric Hospital and a member of OPSEU/SEFPO, Local 331. A fervent human rights activist to the core, Upshaw championed employment equity during his time as president of the union. This annual scholarship is to commemorate Fred's tireless advocacy on behalf of working people and social justice for all.

### Who can apply:

Open to dependents of Black and other racialized OPSEU/SEFPO members in good standing who are pursuing studies in labour relations and/or social justice and human rights, and who are studying at a publicly-funded, publicly-run post-secondary institution in Ontario.

Please fill out this application form in its entirety, and use the checklist on page two to ensure your application is complete.

### Applicant information

Name of applicant:

Name of post-secondary institution:

Program of study:

Street Address:

City: Province:

Postal Code:

Phone number:

E-mail address:

Essays and personal summaries are reviewed and marked by an independent adjudicator. Essays will not be returned to applicants. The scholarship will be issued by November 30, 2021. Successful candidates will be asked to provide confirmation of university, college, or trades program enrollment before the scholarship is issued. For more information about OPSEU/SEFPO Scholarships, contact the Member Education Unit, 1-800-268-7376 ext. 3371, or [scholarships@opseu.org](mailto:scholarships@opseu.org).



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### OPSEU/SEFPO member information:

Name (must be an OPSEU/SEFPO member in good standing):

Member number:

Local:

Applicant's relationship to the member:

### Checklist:

The following items must be submitted with your application, and received by OPSEU/SEFPO on or before July 30, 2021. Applications received after July 30, 2021 will not be considered.

- This application form, completed fully
- 1,500 word essay responding to the following question. Your response may be a 1,500 word essay, or a photo series, short video, poem, audio file or visual art piece.

Why is worker activism and union involvement important to make meaningful health and safety improvements in the workplace?

- Summary of your recent community, union, or other volunteer work, which helps to build awareness of workplace, community or environmental health and safety.

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Ways to submit your application (choose one):

1. E-mail your application to: [scholarships@opseu.org](mailto:scholarships@opseu.org)
2. Mail your application to: OPSEU/SEFPO Fred Upshaw Scholarship  
c/o OPSEU/SEFPO Member Education  
100 Lesmill Road,  
Toronto, Ontario M3B 3P8

### Note:

In order to meet eligibility criteria and for application submissions to be processed in a timely manner, proof of enrollment into a post-secondary institution must be submitted with completed applications by the indicated deadline.

Applications that are submitted without proof of enrollment, will not be considered.

**If instructions for application are not followed, the application will not be considered as complete.**

- This application form, completed fully. Once the word fillable application is opened, click on view and then select “edit document” to fill out application and submit by the application deadline.
- Respond to both of the following questions. Your response may be a 1,500 word essay, or a photo series, short video, poem, audio file or visual art piece.

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