

## The David Dougall Bursary

The David Dougall Bursary was established in 1977 in memory of David Dougall, a 2<sup>nd</sup> year Biology Major at the time of his death. The number of awards granted will be at the discretion of the committee. Please note the following conditions of this Bursary when considering whether you may be a suitable candidate to receive one of these bursaries.

Taken verbatim from the original description of the Memorial:

"The intent of the Memorial is to provide assistance and encouragement to one or more selected student(s) *majoring* in Biology or Marine Biology *probably entering third or fourth* year.

The award is meant as a *motivational stimulus* in that the very act of recognition may serve as an uplift; a personal gesture rather than an impersonal one. Consequently, the decision of "to whom and why" should be flexible and judgement exercised rather than vested in an impartial set of rules and regulations.

The intent is that it be given to a "worthy" student(s), where worthy means a capable, responsible individual though not necessarily a top student(s), who will appreciate the recognition given to him/her through the award, and whom the award will materially assist financially in his/her need. Need should not necessarily mean that the recipient(s) has exhausted all other possible money sources.

Among worthy students being considered, preference *may be* given to those who received their schooling at Halifax West High School, or alternatively, if no such person(s) exists in any year, at a Halifax metropolitan area school, Nova Scotia School, or Canadian school, in that order."

"In brief, the intent of the award is to assist one or more students whom the Biology Department wishes to encourage."

You will need to seek a letter of support from a faculty member who can provide information about you in addition to your academic standing. This is not a scholarship and although a respectable academic record would be assumed, the decisions will not be based on GPAs alone.

Submit completed application to Dr. Margaret Cooper (mhcooper@dal.ca) by 27 October 2023. See additional details below.



### The David Dougall Bursary ~ Student Application Form

#### PART 1: To be completed by the student nominee.

Name:
Student #:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email Address:
Program & Year of Study:
Name of High School and Town/Province from which you graduated:

When submitting your application, include: 1) this completed application form, 2) a BRIEF LETTER outlining why you feel that you are a suitable recipient of a Dougall Bursary, and 3) a current *unofficial* transcript. When writing your letter, consult the terms of the bursary as stipulated by the Dougall family, detailed above.

The student applicant must bundle these three documents into <u>A SINGLE PDF FILE</u> and email it to Dr. Margaret Cooper (mhcooper@dal.ca) by 27 October 2023.

Part 2 of this application (below) is to be completed by the faculty member who has agreed to nominate you.



## The David Dougall Bursary ~ Faculty Nomination Letter

# PART 2: To be completed by the faculty member nominating the student named in Part 1.

Please note the conditions of this bursary as stipulated by the Dougall family and comment on the outstanding characteristics of this student which you consider make him/her worthy of the bursary. A statement of financial need, if known should be included but the main intent of the award is to give encouragement to "worthy" students who do not normally receive other forms of recognition. It is the responsibility of the nominator to highlight for the honours committee the ways in which this student is "worthy".

The nominating faculty member should submit the letter of support as a PDF file to Dr. Margaret Cooper (mhcooper@dal.ca) by 27 October 2023.