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# Students with Permanent Disabilities Canada Student Loans and Grants

If you have a permanent disability and want to pursue post-secondary education, Canada Student Loans and Grants can help you.

## What is a permanent disability?

If you answer yes to any of the following questions, you could be eligible for loans and grants:

- » Do you have a functional limitation caused by a physical or mental impairment?
- » Does the limitation restrict your ability to perform daily activities necessary to work or study at college or university?
- » Is the limitation expected to remain with you for the rest of your life?



Visit [CanLearn.ca/disability](https://CanLearn.ca/disability) for details on how we can help you pursue post-secondary education.

## How do I apply?

- » Apply through your provincial or territorial student financial assistance office.
- » When you apply, you will be assessed automatically for Canada Student Loans and Grants, and for provincial or territorial loans and grants.

- » You must include medical documents demonstrating that you have a permanent disability.
- » The Canada Student Loans Program will protect your information under the Privacy Act.

## What's available in grants?

- » \$2,000 per school year for students with permanent disabilities; and
- » Up to \$8,000 per school year for services and equipment to help offset exceptional education-related costs associated with permanent disabilities (a separate application is required).

You may also qualify for other grants. Visit [CanLearn.ca](https://CanLearn.ca) for details.



# CanLearn.ca/disability

## What if I need help repaying my loan?

- » If you're having difficulty repaying your loan, you may be eligible for the Repayment Assistance Plan for Borrowers with a Permanent Disability.
- » If you have a severe\* permanent disability, your loan could be forgiven under the Severe Permanent Disability Benefit.

## Want more information?

- » Visit [CanLearn.ca/disability](http://CanLearn.ca/disability)
- » Contact your provincial or territorial student financial assistance office
- » Call the National Student Loans Service Centre  
Toll-free:  
1 888 815-4514 (within North America)  
800 2 225-2501 (outside North America)  
TTY: 1 888 815-4556
- » 1 800 O-Canada (1 800 622-6232)

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\*For a definition of a "severe permanent disability", visit [CanLearn.ca](http://CanLearn.ca).

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