



UNIVERSITY
of Prince Edward
ISLAND

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE
REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

550 University Avenue, Charlottetown PE C1A 4P3
Telephone: (902) 566-0358 Fax: (902) 566-0795

Captain Nichola K.S. Goddard Scholarship

DESCRIPTION

Born to British and Canadian school teachers in Madang, Papua New Guinea, Nichola Goddard spent most of her childhood in various Canadian locations, including Black Lake and Lac La Ronge, Saskatchewan, and Pangnirtung, Nunavut. She attended Jr. High in Edmonton, Alberta, and High school in Antigonish, Nova Scotia.

Captain Goddard arrived in Afghanistan in January 2006, and had been appointed to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry as a forward observation officer at the time of her death; her parent unit was the 1st Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. Nichola was killed on May 17, 2006, during a firefight in the Panjwaye District.

It was part of a joint two-day operation between Canadian and Afghan troops, to secure Kandahar's outskirts after a rumor of Taliban preparations to launch an assault on the city. As troops were moving into a compound to capture 15 alleged Taliban members, several dozen hidden militants began firing from neighbouring houses. In the end, the two-day operation saw Nichola, an Afghan National Army soldier, and 40 Taliban killed, as well as approximately 20 Taliban captured. She was posthumously awarded the Meritorious Service Medal on Oct 27, 2006.

In fond memory of Nichola's love of life and learning, family and friends established significant memorials including "The Nichola Goddard Light Up Papua New Guinea" project to improve the quality and functionality of health care facilities in rural PNG by installing solar powered LED lighting systems so that health facilities can be used in the evening; the "Captain Nichola K.S. Goddard Memorial Graduate Scholarship" at the University of Calgary; and the "Captain Nichola K.S. Goddard Scholarship" at UPEI.

Among other tributes a Canadian Coastguard "Hero" class vessel is being named in her memory, and the Calgary Board of Education has also honoured Nichola through the naming of a new middle school in Calgary. This gift agreement was revised in August 2016 to reflect changes in criteria and funding.

CRITERIA

To be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- A student in any faculty who will engage in an experience living and working with indigenous people, whether within Canada or internationally; experience must be for academic credit at UPEI
- Experience examples might include: a research based thesis, or dissertation at the master's or doctoral level, or an internship or a practicum at the baccalaureate level

If there are two qualifying candidates, the award value may be shared equally between two recipients.

APPLICATION PROCESS (Deadline: October 1)

Protection of Privacy - The personal information requested on this form is collected under the authority of Section 31(c) of the PEI Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be protected under Part 2 of that Act. It will be used for the purpose of scholarship adjudication and contacting successful award recipients. Direct any questions about this collection to: UPEI Scholarships and Awards Office, 550 University Avenue Charlottetown, PE C1A 4P3, 902-620-5187 – scholarships@upei.ca



UNIVERSITY
of Prince Edward
ISLAND

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE
REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

550 University Avenue, Charlottetown PE C1A 4P3
Telephone: (902) 566-0358 Fax: (902) 566-0795

Captain Nichola K.S. Goddard Scholarship

APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

UPEI Student ID: _____ Telephone: _____

UPEI Email Address: _____

Please include the following in your application package:

Application Form (Deadline – October 1)

Application Personal Statement

Please include in your personal statement the following information:

- Clear definition of the intended experience, including associated costs with this experience and a timeline for involvement and activities
- Detail what you hope to achieve through the experience, and why you feel that you would be the best candidate for this scholarship

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Note: Incomplete application packages will not be considered. For official communication purposes, the Scholarships and Awards Committee will contact successful recipients through their UPEI Email Address. It is the student's responsibility to check their UPEI email account.

Application materials should be submitted to:

University of Prince Edward Island
Scholarships and Awards Committee
550 University Avenue
Charlottetown, PE C1A 4P3