



CANADIAN RUGBY FOUNDATION

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Courtenay Taaffe Memorial Scholarship
Presented by the Canadian Rugby Foundation
(in conjunction with the Charlton L. Smith Foundation and the Taaffe Family)

Courtenay Taaffe was vibrant, determined, talented and dedicated. She had endless energy and enthusiasm for her passions in life, one of which was the sport of rugby. This scholarship was created in 2005 to honour Courtenay and her many achievements. The successful recipient will share some of the many qualities Courtenay demonstrated including a strong work ethic, both in the classroom and on the field, as well as an enthusiastic and determined personality. To learn more about Courtenay please visit www.courtenaystory.com.

Eligibility:

A female student currently playing, coaching or refereeing rugby on Vancouver Island who is:

1. Playing either club or university rugby.
2. A high school graduate between 17 to 28 years of age as of the end of September of the year in which the scholarship is granted.
3. Enrolled in a full-time degree (graduate or undergraduate), diploma or certificate program at a Canadian college or university for the academic year commencing in the year in which the scholarship is granted. Students commencing their studies in the Fall of 2009 are eligible.

General Guidelines:

1. Unsuccessful applicants may reapply in a subsequent year.
2. Successful recipients may not apply again.
3. The scholarship is conditional upon the acceptance and continuance in the educational program of the applicant's choice. Verification of acceptance will be required as well as a student identification number.
4. Applications may be emailed, mailed or an arrangement must be made to drop off. Faxes will not be accepted.
5. The award recipient must agree to have her name and photograph publicized. She must be prepared to promote the scholarship as requested.

Selection Criteria:

1. Strong academic achievement.
2. Recognized contribution to the rugby community.



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Application Requirements:

1. A completed application form.
2. A letter, not more than 250 words, describing the reasons why you would be a worthy recipient of the Courtenay Taaffe Memorial Scholarship. Include your contribution to the rugby community, other volunteer activities, your academic achievements, your most important accomplishments and your future goals.
3. Two letters of reference from the two individuals named in your application. One must be a coach or a teacher from your school, college or university. The other must be from an individual, other than a teacher or coach, who is familiar with your community service and rugby background.
4. A high-resolution electronic photograph submitted with the application package or e-mailed to mrj@canadianrugbyfoundation.ca . We would prefer if the applicant is wearing a rugby jersey in the photo but that is not required (once submitted the photo will be the property of the Canadian Rugby Foundation).

Deadline:

Applications must be received by email, mail or arrangements to drop off in person, no later than 4:00pm on Tuesday, June 30th, 2009:

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Decisions:

Scholarship winner will be notified by August 1st, 2009. Only the winner will be notified. The scholarship committee thanks all applicants for their interest in the Courtenay Taaffe Memorial Scholarship and wishes them success in the classroom and on the field.



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2009 Courtenay Taaffe Memorial Scholarship-Application Form

Please forward your application directly to:
Canadian Rugby Foundation, PO Box 8003, Victoria, BC, V8W 3R7

Please print. Please do not use abbreviations.

Surname _____ **First Name** _____ **Initial or Middle Name** _____

Date of Birth (year/month/day) _____ **College/University Student Number** (if available) _____

Status in Canada (please check one)
 Canadian Citizen **Permanent Resident (e.g. Landed Immigrant)** **Visiting Student**

Permanent Address
Street _____ City/Town _____

Province/Territory _____ Postal Code _____

Home Telephone number _____ **Mobile Telephone Number** _____ **E-Mail Address** _____
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Name of educational institution from which you most recently graduated or are currently attending:
(secondary school, college, university, other)

Address of educational institution named above:
Street _____ City/Town _____

Province/Territory _____ Postal Code _____

Status of Study
Have you graduated? Yes No

Year of Graduation (if applicable) _____

Currently Attending?
 Yes No

Name of college or university in which you plan to enroll in the fall of 2009:

Program of study

Career Goals

References (the two individuals listed should each provide a letter of reference)

1. Name _____ Telephone () _____

(This individual must be a coach or teacher)

2. Name _____ Telephone () _____

(This individual must be able to describe your involvement in the rugby community)

I certify that the above information is accurate, and understand that any false or incomplete information may invalidate my candidacy. I accept that scholarship decisions may only be made by the Rugby Canada Foundation, and agree to the public release of my name and photo should I be awarded the scholarship. I also agree that scholarship funds will only be granted to me if I am enrolled as planned in an educational institution in the Fall, and that such funds may be disbursed by the Scholarship and Awards Office of my school.

Signature of Applicant

Date