Saint Mary’s University and Techsplosion Science Award

Techsplosion gratefully acknowledges the generosity of Saint Mary’s University in providing a renewable $2000 scholarship to young women pursuing a Science or Engineering Degree.

Who is eligible to apply?

Techplorer Alumnae, as well as all female Grade Twelve graduates of Techsplosion schools in Nova Scotia are eligible to apply. Applicants must be accepted into a Saint Mary’s University, Faculty of Science (including Engineering) program as a full-time student (30 credit hours).

What are the criteria?

Scholarship applications will be evaluated by the Award Committee which includes the Assistant Registrar, Admissions and Scholarships, Saint Mary’s University in consultation with Techsplosion staff. Scholarship applicants must:

- Achieve an 80% average upon high school graduation
- Maintain a 3.0 GPA on an annual basis for the scholarship to be renewed. Students in Engineering will transfer to Dalhousie for years 3 & 4. Dalhousie will honor up to $5,000 in scholarships per student/per year, but GPA requirements will differ.

How do you apply?

Students must complete the attached application form and include a one-page essay and send it to the address on the application form.

What is the value?

The scholarship is valued at $2000 per year and is renewable on an annual basis as long as the above criteria are met (see above note for Engineering students). The award will be applied directly to student tuition in two installments each year, the first in September and the second in January.

Please see the following website for other Saint Mary’s University scholarship opportunities: www.smu.ca/scholarships

When is the deadline?

Applications must be received by the Award Committee by March 1, 2017. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Note: This award is not transferable. In the event that a student does not meet the requirements for renewal, another recipient will not be selected for that award.
1. Please complete the following (please print):

Name in full: (first, middle & last): ________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________

Phone: (   ) _________________________

Email: _________________________________

Date of birth (month, day, year): ________________________________

Place of birth: ________________________________________________

Name of school: _______________________________________________

List name, occupation & address of parent(s)/guardian(s):
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Please identify the University program to which you have been accepted:
_________________________________________________________________

UNDERTAKING BY APPLICANT:

I have read the regulations that govern the Saint Mary’s University and Techsploration Science Award and make application upon the conditions stated.

Signature: __________________ Date: __________________

Please Note: Include the original and two copies of this completed two-page application form, three copies of your essay, and three copies of the transcript of your academic record. This information must be received by March 1, 2017. Please send it to:

Saint Mary’s University and Techsploration Science Award Committee

Saint Mary’s University

c/o Techsploration

PO Box 1153, 5685 Leeds Street

Halifax, NS

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2. The Essay

The applicant must write a one-page essay and attach it to her application. The winning applicant will read her essay at a Techsploration Event. The essay will include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- Describe what made you choose the Saint Mary’s University program for which you have been accepted.
- Describe any community, leadership or employment activities in which you might be involved.
- Describe the impact that Techsploration has had on you.

3. An Endorsement

The applicant may ask an employer, parent, friend or personal reference to briefly state the applicant’s merits to receive the Saint Mary’s University and Techsploration Science Award. Endorsements from a teacher who has been a school team teacher for the Techsploration program cannot be used. The endorsement must be limited to one page and be signed by the author.

4. References

Please provide two references that the Saint Mary’s University and Techsploration Award selection committee may contact. We ask for one personal reference, and one from an employment or volunteer context.

Personal reference:

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Phone: (_______) ____________   Preferred time for contact: ________________

Employment/Volunteer reference:

Name: ________________________________________________

Phone: (_______) ____________   Preferred time for contact: ________________