

# UCBeyond 2011 Scholarship Program Application

## Because Disease Shouldn't Disable an Education

### Purpose and Award

UCB Canada, a global biopharmaceutical company committed to developing innovative treatments for inflammatory diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis, is dedicated to creating unique programs and tools to aid patients in reaching above and beyond the boundaries of their disease and fulfilling their educational ambitions. Now in its fifth year, the UCBeyond Scholarship Program has allocated 84 scholarships and approximately \$425,000 CAN to Canadian students.

### Eligibility Requirements

This program is designed for applicants of any age. Applicants must be:

- A legal and permanent resident of Canada;
- Diagnosed with inflammatory arthritis by a physician;
- Seeking an associate's, undergraduate, or graduate degree from a Canadian university; a diploma or certificate from a Canadian college; or enrolled in a trade school educational program;
- A student who demonstrates academic ambition and embraces a way of life that goes above and beyond the boundaries of living with inflammatory arthritis; and
- Enrolled in or awaiting acceptance from a Canadian-based institution of higher education for the fall semester of 2011.

### The selection of recipients and determination of the Scholarship amount

Employees of UCB Canada and their immediate family members are not eligible for this scholarship. Selection of recipients will be at the sole discretion of an independent selection committee, comprised of medical professionals and patient representatives. Winners will be notified during the month of August 2011 via a personal telephone call and a confirmation letter. After a winner's educational enrollment has been verified for the fall 2011 semester, the scholarship cheque will be made payable to and directly mailed to the educational institution. Individual scholarship amounts will be awarded up to \$5,000.00 CAN to cover the recipient's tuition and/or educational materials and expenses (if a student does not have a minimum of \$5,000.00 CAN in tuition and educational material costs, the scholarship amount will only cover the actual cost of tuition and/or educational material expenses up to \$5,000.00 CAN). A student will not be disqualified if they have been a recipient of the UCBeyond Scholarship in the past, although this information will be taken into account throughout the selection process. Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously been awarded the UCBeyond Scholarship.

### Procedures

To apply, please submit the following documentation postmarked by **June 30, 2011**.

Please note that sections of the application will need to be completed by the student, a school official or professional colleague, and a health care professional. Selection will be based on the following criteria, which must be included:

- A one-page essay about how you are living above and beyond the boundaries of inflammatory arthritis to demonstrate academic ambition and personal achievement, and how you would benefit from the Scholarship. Past recipient essays have included a desire for academic achievement, perseverance in the face of inflammatory arthritis and details of school and community involvement;
- Two (2) one-page letters of recommendation from a teacher, school official, professional colleague, employer or friend describing your unique qualities and how you embrace a way of life that overcomes the boundaries of living with inflammatory arthritis;
- An official academic transcript from your most recent year of education; and
- Confirmation of diagnosis from your treating physician

The above documentation will be destroyed by UCB upon selection of the Scholarship recipients.

### Student Information (please print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address (No P.O. Boxes) \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Please check one: Male  Female   
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### (To be signed if applicant is 18 years of age or older)

Please enter my application in the UCBeyond 2011 Scholarship Program. I confirm that I am 18 years of age or older and that I meet the eligibility requirements. I certify that I am not a UCB Canada employee or an immediate family member of a UCB Canada employee.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### (To be signed by Parent/Guardian if applicant is less than 18 years of age)

Parent/Guardian Permission: I acknowledge that I am the parent or legal guardian of the applicant and, in that capacity, understand the conditions under which he/she is entering his/her application in the UCBeyond 2011 Scholarship Program.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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### Section I: Academics (To be completed by the student)

Name of post-secondary educational institution: \_\_\_\_\_

What type of degree are you pursuing?  Associate's  Undergraduate  Graduate  Certificate

What year of your degree will you be in the fall semester of 2011? \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address at School: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

### Honours and Achievements:

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### All Scholarships / Grants Applied for or Received:

Title _____	Amount _____	Date ____/____/____	Received _____
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### (To be completed by your school official)

Academic Standing \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ on a scale of \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (School Official) \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Please provide an official academic transcript. Transcripts may be mailed separately. Transcripts must be postmarked by the application deadline, **June 30, 2011**.

### Section II: Recommendations

(To be completed by a teacher, school official, professional colleague or employer)

Please provide two (2), one-page letters of personal recommendation that express the following:

- The nature of your relationship with the applicant
- The applicant's unique qualities and how he/she embraces a way of life that overcomes the boundaries of living with inflammatory arthritis

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### Section III: Health

(To be completed by a health care professional who can confirm the inflammatory arthritis diagnosis)

Patient's Medical Summary:

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I certify that this applicant has been diagnosed with inflammatory arthritis and is under my medical care.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Credentials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### Section IV: Documents provided by the student applicant

Please submit a one-page essay about how you are living above and beyond the boundaries of inflammatory arthritis to demonstrate academic ambition and personal achievement and how you would benefit from the scholarship. Please note, essays that exceed one-page, font size smaller than 11 pt or margins less than one inch, will not be eligible for consideration.

### Section V: Applicant Consent

By signing below, the applicant authorizes UCB Canada and all their affiliates, if awarded the UCBeyond Scholarship, to publish, copyright, and use the information contained in this application in advertising and other promotional materials without prior approval, including display on the Internet. UCB Canada is authorized to share the applicant's information and individual story with the mass consumer media. The applicant authorizes UCB Canada to contact him/her directly and to enter the applicant's contact information into a UCB Canada patient database for future communications from UCB.

In addition, recipients may be called upon to share their stories with the mass consumer media (print, radio or television) either by phone or in person, about living with inflammatory arthritis to help inspire others struggling to find ways in which to cope with the disease. Participation in the matters outlined in this paragraph is a condition to receipt of the Scholarship. Should the applicant be unwilling or unable to comply with the requirements of this paragraph, an alternate Scholarship recipient may be selected.

The selection of recipients will be at the sole discretion of the judges chosen by UCB Canada. A panel of medical professionals and patient representatives from across the country will select the scholarship recipients. Winners will be notified during the month of August 2011 via a personal telephone call and a confirmation letter. After a winner's educational enrollment has been verified for the fall 2011 semester, the scholarship cheque will be made payable to and directly mailed to the educational institution.

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By signing, the applicant authorizes the school to share information with UCB Canada and its affiliates regarding the number of classes left to complete his/her degree and the cost per class and other information necessary to process the Scholarship.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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### Checklist for Submission

- Completed application form
- One-page essay
- Official academic transcript
- Confirmation of inflammatory arthritis diagnosis from your treating physician
- Two (2) one-page letters of personal recommendation from a teacher, school official, professional colleague or employer

### How did you learn about the UCBeyond Scholarship Program?

- Doctor's Office
- Media
- Social Media (Facebook)
- Internet
- The Arthritis Society
- Canadian Arthritis Patient Alliance
- Arthritis Consumer Experts
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

### Have you applied for the UCBeyond Scholarship in the past?

- Yes
- No

**Thank you for applying for the  
UCBeyond 2011 Scholarship Program**

 **Please visit us on Facebook by searching UCBeyond**

**We wish you the best of luck!**

Please send completed application to:  
**UCBeyond 2011 Scholarship Program**  
c/o Prizsm Public Affairs Inc.  
140 Marc Santi Blvd.  
Maple, ON L6A 0K7

Be sure to complete and postmark the application by **June 30, 2011**.

For more information, please contact:  
**Prizsm Public Affairs Inc.**  
[info@prizsm.ca](mailto:info@prizsm.ca)  
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