Provincial student aid estimate prep: BC, Alberta, Prairies, Quebec and Atlantic

Find out who you apply with, which estimator or guide your province points to, and record each estimate with its date, for StudentAid BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Quebec's AFE and the four Atlantic provinces.

NAME

DATE

ABOUT ME

PROVINCE OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE (12-MONTH RULE)

FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME

SCHOOL AND PROGRAM

STUDY PERIOD START AND END

WHERE TO ESTIMATE AND WHAT I GOT

Province	Apply with	Estimator or guide used	Estimate	Date
British Columbia				
Alberta				
Saskatchewan				
Manitoba				
Quebec (AFE)				
New Brunswick				
Nova Scotia				
Prince Edward Island				
Newfoundland and Labrador				

BEFORE I APPLY

- [ ] Province of residence confirmed with the estimator's own rule
- [ ] Application deadline and processing time noted
- [ ] Provincial aid estimated separately where the federal tool leaves it out
- [ ] Estimate saved or printed

Estimates are not decisions. The amount comes from your full application, and each province sets its own rules and dates; read the official pages in the sources.

SOURCES (CHECKED 2026-11-27)

Canada.ca says British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Ontario and Saskatchewan offer integrated federal and provincial student aid, while in Alberta, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island federal and provincial aid are provided separately; Quebec, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut run their own programs. https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/education/student-aid/grants-loans/how-funding-works.html (checked 2026-11-27)

Canada.ca says the federal student aid estimator does not take provincial and territorial student grants and loans into account. https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/education/student-aid/grants-loans/how-funding-works.html (checked 2026-11-27)

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The federal Student Aid Estimator says your province of permanent residence is where you most recently lived for at least 12 consecutive months without being a full-time post-secondary student. https://certification.esdc.gc.ca/lea-mcl/eafe-sfae/eafe-sfae-h.4m.2@-eng.jsp (checked 2026-11-27)
StudentAid BC's Apply section covers checking your school's designation, determining eligibility, applying, receiving funding and appealing an assessment. https://studentaidbc.ca/apply (checked 2026-11-27)
Alberta Student Aid says the majority of students can receive up to $8,500 per semester in combined Alberta and Canada student loans, and points to the Student Financial Assistance Estimator to estimate how much you'll get. https://studentaid.alberta.ca/types-of-funding/types-of-full-time-student-aid/ (checked 2026-11-27)
Saskatchewan says applications and any changes to information must be received at least 30 days before your period of study end date. https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/education-and-learning/saskatchewan-student-aid/student-loans-and-grants/apply-for-student-aid (checked 2026-11-27)
Manitoba Student Aid's page says 2026/27 Fall-Winter applications are available and asks students never to let someone else apply on their behalf. https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/msa/ (checked 2026-11-27)
Quebec's Aide financière aux études offers a calculation simulator (simulateur de calcul) for 2026-2027 and says its results are not a commitment; your school's financial aid office can help you run a more precise simulation. https://www.quebec.ca/education/aide-financiere-aux-etudes/prets-bourses-temps-plein/calcul/simulateur-calcul (checked 2026-11-27)
Quebec's AFE says the calculation is based on your income, allowed expenses, family situation, level of study and, as applicable, your parents', sponsor's or spouse's income. https://www.quebec.ca/education/aide-financiere-aux-etudes/prets-bourses-temps-plein/calcul/calcul-aide-financiere (checked 2026-11-27)
New Brunswick says that once all documents are submitted, applications are normally processed within three to five weeks. https://www.gnb.ca/en/topic/education-training/post-secondary/student-aid.html (checked 2026-11-27)
Nova Scotia Student Assistance says Total Educational Costs minus Total Resources equals Calculated Need, and the first $1,800 of scholarships or bursaries ($900 if the program is shorter than 24 weeks) is exempt from its calculation. https://novascotia.ca/studentassistance/Financing/NeedsResources.asp (checked 2026-11-27)
Prince Edward Island's Student Loans Calculations Guide subtracts resources from allowable expenses to approximate assessed need, and says it is for estimation purposes only. https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/sites/default/files/publications/sfs_calculations_guide.pdf (checked 2026-11-27)
StudentAidNL says that with one application it assesses you for both federal and provincial financial assistance. https://www.gov.nl.ca/education/studentaid/ (checked 2026-11-27)