



The Jamaican Canadian Association (JCA) is to deliver programs and services, provides a physical hub, and to advocate to improve the well-being and equity of Jamaican, Caribbean & African-Canadian communities within the Greater Toronto Area.

Jamaican Canadian Association Dr. Ezra Nesbeth Foundation Scholarships

Dr. Ezra Nesbeth is a graduate of University of Waterloo and the University of Toronto with varied and extensive experience in community and health programs. He has completed post-doctoral studies in health science and psychopathology in the United States. He worked as a consultant with UNESCO and WHO developing community health programs for various jurisdictions domestically and internationally. He was head of clinical education at the Clinical Institute, Addiction Research Foundation in Toronto, consultant at the Clark Institute of Psychiatry and Assistant Professor, Applied Psychology (community health) at the University of Toronto.

Dr. Nesbeth donates generously to Afro-Canadian community and the JCA. After donating \$25,000.00 to the JCA in 2003 towards the establishment of the Dr. Ezra Nesbeth Scholarship, he formed the Dr. Ezra Nesbeth Scholarship Foundation as a separate entity that would focus specifically on the education of Afro-Caribbean Canadian youth providing them with one other source of assistance to help offset the increasing cost of post - secondary education. He has since personally contributed in excess of \$100,000.00 to this cause. A total of \$25,000.00 was made available from the Foundation this year for funding additional scholarships through the JCA Scholarship Awards program.

Dr Ezra Nesbeth Scholarship Requirements

Applicants must be a college or university student studying Business, Technology, Computer Science or Health Science who best meet the following criteria:

- Should have high academic standing (minimum B average)
- Must have completed at least one (1) year of college or university in Ontario
- Should demonstrate leadership ability
- Must demonstrate strong oral and written communication skills
- Should be involved in extracurricular activities within the university, Afro-Canadian community, or wider Canadian community
- Must be a landed immigrant or Canadian citizen
- Should not be in receipt of more than one other award of equal or greater value in the current year
- Must demonstrate economic need, a key selection criterion
- Must have a good understanding of the importance of economic self- sufficiency and entrepreneurship to the success of African Canadians in the Greater Toronto Area, and elsewhere in Canada (an essay is required for this).

NB: The Application Deadline is JULY 22, 2017.