

Peter Gilgan Leadership Award



Inspired by a young swim instructor at the YMCA, Peter Gilgan, founder and CEO of Mattamy Homes, developed the **Peter Gilgan Leadership Award (PGLA)** to recognize exceptional youth who work at the YMCA.

Funded through the Peter Gilgan Charitable Foundation, the award is presented each year to five YMCA of Oakville youth employees who have made notable contributions to the YMCA and the Oakville community. The award consists of five bursaries of up to \$5,000 that are given annually selected employees to assist them with their post-secondary education costs.

Applicant requirements:

- Applicant must be currently employed by the YMCA of Oakville
- Applicant must be under the age of 30 at the time of application
- Applicant must be enrolled, or planning to enroll, in full-time or part-time post-secondary studies at an accredited University or post-secondary equivalent college.
- Applicant must submit a completed application package by the application deadline

**Please note that previous winners of the PGLA are not eligible to re-apply.*

Applicants for the bursary will be assessed on the following criteria:

- Characteristics and Abilities of the Candidate (including, motivation/initiative, leadership skills, employee performance record, demonstration of YMCA values and commendations)
- Contributions to the YMCA and community
- Impact of the award (special circumstances noted by the applicant)
- Area of Study (scope and objective of education program and career objectives)

Eligible candidates must provide the following:

- Completed application form
- Proof of enrolment in a post-secondary institution
- Letter of reference from their immediate supervisor at the YMCA of Oakville

The deadline for applications is Monday, July 15, 2019 . Bursaries will be awarded for the Fall semester.

The program is administered by the YMCA of Oakville in conjunction with the Peter Gilgan Foundation. Applicants are screened based on the above criteria and referred to the selection committee for consideration. Assessment includes the employee's performance record, length of service, and the nature of the applicant's current assignment. The selection committee may also consult with supervisory staff members, as appropriate, to better assess the candidate's job performance and leadership potential.

For more information please contact Ramanjit Kaur Virk at ramanjitvi@oakville.ymca.ca

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SECTION I: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Current position/role at the YMCA of Oakville: _____

Total years of service: _____

Full-time: _____ Part-time: _____ Volunteer: _____

Previous Education Completed

Education level completed: _____ Date completed: _____

Institution: _____

Current Education Program

Date of entry: _____ Expected completion date: _____

University/College: _____

Academic program: _____

Degree sought: _____

How will you be staying connected to the YMCA while pursuing your education? (i.e. staff, volunteer, member)

SECTION II: Questionnaire

On a separate piece of paper, please provide a short narrative for each of the following:

- 1) Describe your contributions to the YMCA and the community including relevant leadership experience.
(1-2 pages)
- 2) Describe your future career aspirations.
(1 page or less)
- 3) Describe your reason for applying for this award and how you anticipate this bursary may impact your education. Include any special circumstances that you think the selection committee should give consideration to in reviewing your application.
(1 page or less)

A letter of reference **MUST BE ENCLOSED** from your immediate supervisor at the YMCA of Oakville outlining your past contributions, future potential, and breadth of YMCA experience.

The YMCA of Oakville would like to celebrate and publically acknowledge the achievements of those who receive the Peter Gilgan Leadership Award. By signing this application form, I agree that should I be selected to receive the Peter Gilgan Leadership Award, I will share my story and/or image for the purposes of future YMCA of Oakville publications, promotional and/or marketing collateral, website, brochures, pamphlets, advertising etc. without compensation.

Privacy Statement

The YMCA of Oakville is committed to protecting your personal information by following responsible information handling practices in keeping with privacy laws. Your personal information will be collected by the YMCA of Oakville and others involved in the Peter Gilgan Leadership Award bursary program to evaluate your application, and for selection and administration purposes.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

SECTION III: Application Checklist

	Application Form
	Responses to Questionnaire
	Letter of Reference from Supervisor
	Proof of enrolment in a post-secondary institution

Only complete applications will be accepted. Please note that previous winners of the Peter Gilgan Leadership Award are not eligible to re-apply. **Application forms and supporting documentation must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Monday, July 15, 2019.**

Submit completed applications to:

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