**Bachelor’s Degree in Statistics and Certificate in Geographic Information Systems (GIS)**

**Tuition Scholarship Application Process and Selection Criteria**

Applicants must (i) have been accepted by the University of Belize into the program for which they are seeking a scholarship; (ii) be citizens or residents of Belize; and (iii) must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 in their most recently attended high school, junior college, or university.

The following must be submitted:

1. Completed scholarship application form
2. Copy of acceptance letter into selected program
3. Copy of ID page of passport OR copy of birth certificate OR copy of residency
4. Curriculum vitae
5. Copy of transcripts from current or most recently attended high school, junior college, or university
6. Two letters of recommendation
7. Copy of personal Income Tax TD4 slip or, where the student is a dependent, the TD4 slip of parent of guardian. Where the applicant or his/her parent or guardian is not required to pay income tax, a letter from the Income Tax Department verifying that they are not required to pay income tax should be submitted.
8. Personal Statement/Essay describing:
9. Yourself and your background
10. What, if any, work you have done in the field of statistics or GIS
11. Why you chose the program of study
12. Where you see yourself in five years
13. Why you should receive this tuition scholarship

**Evaluation Criteria**

Applications will be evaluated and ranked based on the following criteria: (a) prospect for long-term contribution to the field of statistics or GIS in Belize; (b) previous academic performance; and (c) financial need. Applicants will also be required to submit to an interview by a Scholarship Selection Committee. All scholarship applications will be judged on their own merit.

**Application Guidelines**

The deadline for receipt of scholarship applications with all supporting materials is Friday, April 26, 2019. The scholarship application form along with all other pertinent information, will be available for download on the Statistical Institute of Belize website ([www.sib.org.bz](http://www.sib.org.bz)). Only complete applications with all required supporting materials that are received by the deadline will be considered.

**Selection Process**

All completed applications accompanied by the required supporting materials and received by the deadline will be reviewed and given full consideration by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Applications will be evaluated and scored using a Scholarship Application Scorecard and short-listed applicants will be invited to an interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee. All decisions by the Scholarship Selection Committee are final.