

# UNILOCK®

## PAVING *the* FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP

Ed Bryant is remembered as founder of the Unilock Group of Companies and the pioneer who first established a paver manufacturing site in North America in 1972. His passion, collaboration and innovative spirit brought an ecosystem of partners together to kick-start the hardscaping industry - Manufacturers, Dealers, Architects, Installers, and Sales Teams - all working to pave the way forward in a completely undefined space. Ed's vision of building the industry in a way that benefits many drives us to continue to invest in the communities to which we belong.

The **Unilock Paving the Future Scholarship** commemorates Ed's legacy by investing in a new generation of landscape design, architecture, and construction leaders. This scholarship program recognizes students in their final year of study who are active members in their community and demonstrate an ambition of being a thought leader in the landscaping industry of tomorrow.

**Ed Bryant**  
*Founder of Unilock*



The Unilock Paving the Future Scholarship is an equal opportunity scholarship.

**Awards in the amount of \$5,000 each will be presented to selected students to help pay for their education expenses including tuition fees, books, housing, and transportation costs.**

## ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be a permanent resident in the USA or Ontario.
- Student must be enrolled in their final year of a full-time, two to four year post-secondary undergraduate or graduate program in landscape management, landscape construction, horticulture landscaping, turf grass management or related field at a vocational school, community college, or University. Students in an Apprenticeship program are also eligible.
- Student must demonstrate academic excellence maintaining a minimum cumulative average letter grade of B and show a desire to pursue a career in their field of study.
- Student should demonstrate leadership and an ongoing commitment to their community.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants must submit all of the following to Unilock by the deadline of August 31, 2023 (11:59 EST):

- Completed Application Form
- Academic Transcripts
- Proof of Enrollment in 2023/2024 Academic Year
- Resume
- Letter of Recommendation
- Written Response
- Headshot Photo

Submit completed application and attachments to: [scholarships\\_trade@unilock.com](mailto:scholarships_trade@unilock.com)

**Please include the City & State/Province of your school in the subject line of your email.**

The top applicants may be invited for a personal or Zoom/phone interview with the Unilock scholarship committee.

Winners will be notified by or after October 10th, 2023.

**Before you apply, be sure to read the full rules and regulations to ensure you're eligible.**

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**PART 1**

**Application Form**

All applicants must use the form provided. No other format will be accepted. All fields must be completed to be considered eligible for the scholarship. **All application information is confidential.**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State (Province): \_\_\_\_\_ Zip (Postal) Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION INFORMATION**

Name of Post Secondary Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State (Province): \_\_\_\_\_

Zip (Postal) Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Program of Study (Name of Degree or Diploma): \_\_\_\_\_

Program Length (Years): \_\_\_\_\_ Expected year of graduation (month/year): \_\_\_\_\_

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## **PART 2**

### **Academic Transcript, Proof of Enrollment, Resume, Letter of Recommendation, and Headshot Photo**

When submitting your filled out application please attach the following:

1. Transcript from your post-secondary institution outlining your GPA.
2. Proof of enrollment in 2023/2024 academic year.
3. Resume including your education, extra-curriculars, professional experience and community involvement.
4. Letter of recommendation from a Professor or industry contact vouching for your dedication to your field of study and how you demonstrate the ambition to become a thought leader in the landscaping industry of tomorrow.
5. Headshot Photo

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**PART 3**

**Written Response**

1. Why are you passionate about a career in landscape construction?

2. What are your plans to be an active contributor to the overall industry in the future?

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*I attest all information is truthful.*

I agree to receive future email communications from Unilock.

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## OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Unilock Paving the Future Scholarship

#### 1. ELIGIBILITY

To enter and be eligible as a recipient of the Unilock Paving the Future Scholarship:

- Applicant must reside in the USA or Ontario.
- Student must be enrolled in their final year of a full-time, two to three year post-secondary program in landscape management, landscape construction, horticulture landscaping, landscape design, turf grass management or related field at a vocational/trade school or community college. Students in an Apprenticeship program are also eligible.
- Student must demonstrate academic excellence maintaining a minimum cumulative average letter grade of B and show a desire to pursue a career in their field of study.
- Student should demonstrate leadership and an ongoing commitment to their community.

#### 2. HOW TO ENTER

No purchase necessary to be a recipient of the Unilock Paving the Future Scholarship. To enter, submit applications to [scholarships\\_trade@unilock.com](mailto:scholarships_trade@unilock.com) between 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time on March 1, 2023 and 11:59 pm on August 31, 2023, including a written response of no more than 500 words that describes why you are passionate about a career in landscape construction and how you plan to be an active contributor to the overall industry. Written response must be 100% original and not contain third party materials subject to copyright including but not limited to artwork and photos. Written response cannot defame or invade publicity rights or privacy of any person, living or deceased, or otherwise infringe upon any person's personal or proprietary rights. Modifying, enhancing or altering a third party's pre-existing work does not qualify as entrant's original creation. Written response must not be offensive or inappropriate, as determined by judges in their sole discretion. Unilock reserves the right to disqualify any entry it deems to be inappropriate, offensive or not in keeping with the image of Unilock or Unilock Paving the Future Scholarships, in its sole discretion. Online applications must be received by August 31, 2023. All applications become the property of Unilock and will not be returned. Limit one (1) submission per entrant. Application must be submitted in English, be entrant's original creation, be true and verifiable, created solely by entrant, with no restrictions or limitations on applicant's right to submit, or Unilock's right to use, the entry. Unilock and Unilock Paving the Future Scholarships could, among other uses, choose to post selected recipients to their social media channels, PR campaigns and websites, with applicant's permission. Applicant must not have previously won a scholarship from Unilock.

#### 3. EVALUATION AND SELECTION CRITERIA

All eligible applications received will be evaluated by the Unilock Scholarship Committee based on weighted criteria: (1) Written response 70% providing a thoughtful and persuasive response to the questions, including detailed examples while staying within the word limit; (2) Letter of Recommendation 20% demonstrating that the applicant is a strong fit for the scholarship; and (3) Academics 10% assessing the applicant's ability to meet or exceed a B average consistently. A personal interview with the Unilock Scholarship Committee may also be conducted with top candidates as needed as part of the evaluation process. Selection of the scholarship recipients will be based only on the information provided in the application as well as the personal interview if one is completed. No restrictions will be placed on scholarship recipients holding other grants or awards or receiving assistance or income from other sources. Potential recipients will be selected between September 1, 2023 and October 6, 2023 and will be notified by telephone and/or email on or after October 10, 2023. Unilock reserves the right not to award some or all allotted scholarships in the event it receives an insufficient number of entries, or a lack of entries that achieve a satisfactory minimum score based on the above evaluation criteria, as determined by the Unilock Scholarship Committee in their sole discretion.

#### 4. SCHOLARSHIPS

Unilock Paving the Future Scholarships will be offered for the Fall 2023 term in the amount of \$5,000. Scholarships will be awarded and paid directly to students on or after October 30, 2023. All taxes and any other costs and expenses associated with being awarded a scholarship are the recipient's sole responsibility. No transfer, assignment, or substitution of scholarship. Scholarship recipients will be required to provide proof of enrolment prior to receiving scholarship funds.

#### 5. SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION

The scholarship recipients will be notified on or after October 10, 2023. If, after making such efforts as Unilock in its sole discretion deems reasonable, a potential scholarship recipient cannot be notified by telephone or email using the contact information provided on the application, or a potential scholarship recipient does not respond to any message and contact number left on any answering service associated with a potential scholarship recipient's telephone number, that potential scholarship recipient may be disqualified and a runner-up may be notified. Unilock shall not be responsible if, for any reason, the potential scholarship recipient does not receive notification. Potential scholarship recipients will be required to execute and return a Declaration and a Release within 15 days of notification. Non-compliance with the foregoing may result in disqualification and a runner-up may be notified.

#### 6. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- ▣ Unilock, as the administrator of the scholarship, reserves the right to terminate or alter these rules at any time without prior notice.
- ▣ Declared scholarship recipients agree to sign Unilock's standard declaration and release form confirming compliance with the rules and regulations and waiving any liability of Unilock, its directors, officers, employees, and agents, affiliates and advisors related to injury, accident, or loss or damage of any kind arising out of participation in this scholarship program. If a declared recipient is determined to be ineligible by Unilock or fails to return the completed declaration and release as required within 15 days of notification, Unilock may declare a scholarship to be forfeited and new potential scholarship recipients may be selected and contacted, in accordance with rule #5 above, until a new recipient is declared.
- ▣ Unilock assumes no responsibility for applications that are lost, stolen, delayed, damaged or misdirected either prior to or after delivery of the entry to Unilock. Applications are subject to verification and will be declared invalid if they are or become illegible, mechanically reproduced, mutilated, forged, falsified, altered or tampered with in any way. Entrants agree to abide by these rules and the decisions of Unilock, which are final. All scholarship submissions become the property of Unilock and will not be returned.
- ▣ By accepting the scholarship, the scholarship recipient consents to the use of their name, address and/or photographs, application, and the narrative described within the application, including the written response and recommendation, without further compensation, in any advertising or publicity as may be carried out by Unilock or Unilock Paving the Future Scholarships in their sole discretion.
- ▣ If Unilock determines that potential scholarship entrants are experiencing difficulty or are prevented from applying for the scholarship due to technical difficulties, Unilock may, without notice to any entrant or potential entrant, extend the application period for such period of time as Unilock deems appropriate in the circumstances.

#### 7. PRIVACY STATEMENT

All information is confidential and will not be sold to third parties. The information submitted in connection with this scholarship, including while completing or submitting the application, may be stored outside of Canada.