

# OK College joins Project Hero

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Okanagan College is joining a host of Canadian colleges and universities in a scholarship program created to help the dependents of Canadian Forces personnel killed in action since 2002.

The college announced that it will join Project Hero, which was started a year ago by Kevin Reed and retired Gen. Rick Hillier.

Reed is honorary lieutenant-colonel of the 31 Brigade, Service Units, and chairman of Equity Transfer and Trust Company.

Okanagan College will join 38 other institutions offering to help the eligible dependents by helping cover the cost of tuition.

Beginning in September, the college will provide a tuition waiver – to a maximum of \$3,000 per semester – for eligible students for up to

four academic terms toward the completion of a two-year post-secondary program, with potential renewal for an additional four academic terms for students who pursue a degree at the college.

“Project Hero scholarships are a positive and meaningful way to acknowledge the sacrifices of soldiers who have lost their lives and the hardships their families can face,” said Okanagan College President Jim Hamilton.

“I am thrilled to have Okanagan College join the Project Hero initiative. We are well on our way to obtaining the support of most post-secondary schools, and Okanagan College’s commitment is a significant step in that direction,” said Reed.

For more information about Okanagan College’s Project Hero Scholarship, go to [www.okanagan.bc.ca/financialaid](http://www.okanagan.bc.ca/financialaid).