

## “Because I Can” Award for Female Empowerment

**Amount:** \$500

**Deadline:** April 15, 2016

**Description of Scholarship:** The NSGSC would like to support girls and women in the pursuits of their athletic, career, and educational goals; acknowledge that girls and women encounter barriers towards sport participation, barriers related to stereotypes and assumptions about gender and sexuality; and acknowledge the efforts made by girls and women towards making the world a better place for all the girls and women who will come after them. Winners of this Award will meet the following criteria:

- Youth or adult player on any NSGSC team.
- Player who is in or (entering into) a trades (or equivalent) program that is gender non-traditional, e.g. trades, and/or
- Player who is actively involved in promoting/supporting Feminism or LGBTQ rights in our community, and/or
- Player who is pursuing a ‘Women’s Studies’, ‘LGBTQ Studies’ or related degree.

### Personal Information:

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Club Team:**

**Years in Club (including ‘youth’, if applicable):**

**Instructions:** Submit a completed application form, along with supporting documents to the following address:

North Shore Girls Soccer Club  
PO Box 37031  
2930 Lonsdale Avenue  
North Vancouver, BC V7N 4M4  
Canada

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. All questions can be directed to the Scholarships and Awards Committee via Dominique Falls, [womenssoccer@nsgsc.ca](mailto:womenssoccer@nsgsc.ca)

### Checklist of items needed before your application is complete for submission:

- Application Form Completed
- Resume
- Cover Letter
- Application Questions (See below)

- One (1) reference letter from somebody who can speak to your pursuit of a gender non-traditional career path and/or your support of Feminism or LGBTQ rights in our community

**Application Questions (no more than 300 words each)**

1. How have you encountered barriers towards sport participation, barriers related to stereotypes and assumptions about gender and sexuality? If you have not personally encountered these, what have you witnessed around you?
2. What efforts have you made towards creating a better world for all the girls and women who will come after you?
3. (If applicable), why are you pursuing a 'Women's Studies', 'Queer Studies' or related degree? Or, what challenges have you faced (or do you anticipate facing) pursuing a gender non-traditional career path?