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**This dedicated
webpage contains
valuable information
for researchers,
such as:**



- ✓ **Funding Opportunities**
- ✓ **Resources**
- ✓ **News**
- ✓ **FAQs**

Funding Opportunities available for trainees

Throughout this presentation, tips and advice will be provided as each of the programs are being described. Be aware that most of these tips can be applied regardless of the program.

- Canada Graduate Scholarships Masters Awards (CGS M)
- Canada Graduate Scholarships Doctoral Awards (CGS D)
- Doctoral Foreign Study Award (DFSA)
- Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships (Vanier CGS)
- Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement (MSFSS)
- CIHR Fellowship
- Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship



It is searchable
and can be sorted
by Institute, program
type, or target
applicant

From any CIHR web page, modify the URL link by entering these 5 digits (<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/35273.html>) for an easy access to complete listing of current and archived opportunities.

Canada Graduate Scholarships – Master’s Program (CGS M)

This program funds high caliber scholars who are engaged in eligible Masters or, in some cases, doctoral programs in Canada.



Annual Stipend: \$17,500

Term: Up to 12-months

Application Deadline: December 1, 2022



For more information about this program:

www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/students-etudiants/pg-cs/cgsm-bescm_eng.asp

Email: CGSMA-BESCBM@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

Canada Graduate Scholarships – Master’s Program (CGS M)

Eligibility Criteria

- Open to Canadian citizens, permanent residents of Canada or a Protected Person under subsection 95(2) of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (Canada)
- Be enrolled in, have applied for, or will apply for full-time admission* to an eligible graduate program (master’s or doctoral) at a Canadian institution with a CGS M allocation
- Have completed, as of December 31 of the year of application:
 - between **zero and 12 months** of full-time studies (or full-time equivalent) in the program for which funding is requested; or,
 - between **four and 12 months** of full-time study (or full-time equivalent) in an eligible master’s program for which the degree requirements will be completed before activation of the award, allowing it to be activated during the subsequent doctoral program for which funding is requested
- Have achieved a first-class average as determined by the host institution, in each of the last two completed years of study (full-time equivalent). Institutions may, at their discretion, accept CGS M applications from individuals who have not obtained a first-class average.



This list is not exhaustive - Review the [program’s](#) literature for full list of eligibility requirements.

Canada Graduate Scholarships – Master’s Program (CGS M)



To apply to this funding opportunity, you are to submit an application via the [Research Portal](#), and not ResearchNet.

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Research Portal

Welcome to the Research Portal

Account

The Research Portal is intended for use only by individuals participating in the preparation of applications for funding from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), in the administration of awards, and in the merit review of applications.

Before using the Research Portal, you must read the [Terms and conditions](#) and [Transparency](#) (see below). When you login and use this system, it means that you understand these policies and conditions and you consent to the use of your personal information for administrative purposes.

Notice: Maintenance Window

This system will normally be unavailable to users Saturdays from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. (eastern), as well as on the second Wednesday of each month from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. (eastern).

Sign In

Email:

Password:

[Sign In](#)

New here? [Create account](#)

I forgot my [password](#).

Candidates should inform their selected references to consult the [Information for References](#) hosted on NSERC web page to find out best practices and considerations as well as educate them about unconscious bias.

Tips for Applicants – CGS M



For applicants to CGS M specifically:



If you select *Health* as your Field of Research, you must also provide a CIHR Personal Identification Number (PIN). It takes up to one full working day to process your CIHR PIN Request.



For **program-related information**, contact the Faculty of Graduate Studies (or its equivalent) at the institution(s) where you intend to hold the award.

For **technical matters** related to the Research Portal:
contact the [Helpdesk](#) or complete an [On-line Services Support Request](#)

Doctoral Awards Programs

Funding is available for Doctoral studies in Canada and abroad, from these three envelopes of funding:

- Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships (Vanier CGS)
 - Nomination process
- Canada Graduate Scholarships Doctoral Awards (CGS D)
 - If proposed location of research is at a **Canadian Institution**
- CIHR Doctoral Foreign Study Award (DFSA)
 - If proposed location of research is located **abroad**



Reminder

CGS D and DFSA are now 2 distinct funding opportunities.

Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships (Vanier CGS)

Open to Canadians, permanent residents of Canada, and foreign citizens and offered by CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC.

Aims to attract and retain world-class doctoral students by supporting students who demonstrate both leadership skills and a high standard of scholarly achievement in graduate studies.

Applicants must be nominated by a Canadian Institution with a Vanier quota and awards can only be held at the nominating institution.

REMINDER: (Optional) Institutions may recommend an unlimited number of self-identified Indigenous applicants above their institutional quota.



Annual Value: \$50,000

Duration : 3 years (non-renewable)

Institution Deadline : November 1, 2022

For more information
about this program:
www.vanier.gc.ca

Email: Vanier@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

Vanier CGS - Instructions to Applicants

Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships

Canada

Application/ Nomination process

Review process ▾

Results ▾

Information for Vanier Scholar ▾

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georges P. Vanier, the first francophone
the Vanier Canada Graduate
gram helps [Canadian institutions](#) attract
nts.
ear for three years during doctoral
weighted [selection criteria: Academic
Excellence, Research Potential, and Leadership \(potential and
demonstrated ability\)](#)

[More details](#)

Follow: 

Spotlight on scholars



Eligibility

Vanier CGS - Selection process

Selection Criteria

Nominations will be evaluated and selected based on the following three (3) criteria (weighted equally):

Academic Excellence	As demonstrated by past academic results and by transcripts, awards, and distinctions
Research Potential	As demonstrated by the candidate's research history, interest in discovery, proposed research and its potential contribution to advancement of knowledge in field and anticipated outcomes
Leadership (Potential and Demonstrated Ability)	Personal achievement, involvement in academic life, volunteerism/community outreach, civic engagement or other



Candidates should consult the [Selection Criteria](#) on the website for more detailed information

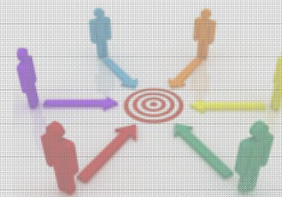
Doctoral Awards – CGS D & DFSA

CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC have worked collaboratively on the [Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program \(CGS D\)](#) in removing barriers and having consistent processes across the three agencies to simplify the application and adjudication processes.

What is
harmonized

- Objective
- Description
- Eligibility
- Program of Study
- Deadlines
- Selection Process
- Selection Criteria

The program supports high-caliber students engaged in doctoral programs in all academic disciplines (applicants should complete the agency application that is best aligned with their research subject matter)



The [Doctoral Foreign Study Award \(DFSA\)](#) program has also aligned with the harmonized CGS D aspects.



Optional Forms

Voluntary Self-Identification for Indigenous Applicants (*Optional*)

For candidates who want to self-identify as an Indigenous person (First Nation, Inuk (Inuit), or Métis) within their application.

Self-Declaration of No Institutional Affiliation with a quota (*Optional*)

For candidates who have not been affiliated with an Institution with a quota for CIHR within the calendar year of their application.



An application that includes a ***Self-Declaration of No Institutional Affiliation with a Quota form*** within should not be submitted to the institution where studies are intended to be pursued, but rather directly to CIHR by the applicant (see [flowchart](#)).

Doctoral Awards – CGS D & DFSA

The Canada Graduate Scholarship – Doctoral Program (CGS D) is available on a common landing page hosted on NSERC's website:

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSD-BESCD_eng.asp

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Canada Graduate Scholarships - Doctoral Program

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Canada Graduate Scholarships - Doctoral Program

The Canada Graduate Scholarships - Doctoral (CGS D) program is a federal program of scholarships awarded through national competitions by the granting agencies: the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC).


CIHR—Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarships Doctoral Awards
NSERC—Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarships
SSHRC—Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships

Supervisor's CV is no longer a requirement, although at least one primary supervisor must still be identified as part of the application.



Doctoral Awards – CGS D & DFSA

In addition to the harmonized program description hosted on NSERC's website, candidates have access to various information and useful links located on the CIHR website at <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50513.html>.



Masters students **Doctoral students** Postdoctoral/degree researchers CIHR Institute initiatives

All graduate training awards at the doctoral level that are offered by CIHR or through CIHR Institutes can be accessed through [CIHR's gr](#)

i **Doctoral Research Award programs**

[Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program](#) ←

The Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program (CGS-D) provides special recognition and support to students who are pursuing field in Canada.

[Doctoral Foreign Study Award](#) ←

The Doctoral Foreign Study Award (DFSA) provides special recognition and support to students who are pursuing a doctoral degree in a

Useful links:

- [How to Submit an Application to CIHR's Canada Graduate Scholarships Doctoral Program \(CGS D\)](#)
- [Information and instructions for Research Administrators for managing the Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral Program](#)
- [CIHR Doctoral Research Awards – Application instructions](#)
- [CIHR Reviewers' Guide for Doctoral Research Awards](#)
- [Information for Sponsors](#)
- [CIHR Doctoral Research Awards – Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Individual Development Plans](#)
- [Quotas for the CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral program \(CGS-D\)](#)
- [Peer Review Committees and Mandates – Doctoral Research Award](#)
- [Tri-agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide](#)



It is strongly suggested that you familiarize yourself with the information contained in these links to increase the success of your application.

Doctoral Awards – CGS D & DFSA

CIHR is embarking into it's fourth year of setting Quotas for the CGS D program.

Each institution will review and submit their best applications to CIHR based on their quotas.

Overview

Value	Stipend of \$30,000 per year Research Allowance of \$5,000 per year
Duration	36 months
Tenure	CGS D → Canadian institutions DFSA → Abroad
Application Deadline	Directly to CIHR : October 17 Through a Canadian Institution: Contact your institution

Notes:

1. Remember that each Canadian Institution may set an internal deadline in advance of CIHR. Consult with your Institution to find out about their internal deadline.
2. If the deadline falls on a weekend, the deadline is set to the next business day before 8:00 p.m.
3. Deadline of October 17th applies to CGS D and DFSA competitions.



Flowchart – CGS D & DFSA

* If pursuing a doctoral degree in a health-related field abroad, applicants must apply to the CIHR Doctoral Foreign Study Award (DFSA) competition. These applicants must manually enter the foreign institution in the “Other” field under “Institution Paid” within their ResearchNet application.



Subtasks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Overview <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Details <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Descriptors	Enter Proposal Information - Details * Institution Paid (required) <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;"> <input type="text"/> Other <input type="text"/> </div>
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Application deadlines – CGS D & DFSA

CGS D (Quotas)

INSTITUTION DEADLINE

Applications submitted through the Institution

Deadline will be set by the institution*

The institution will review all applications received and submit the best applications to CIHR (according to their quota)

Applications from self-identified Indigenous applicants may be submitted beyond the institution's quota.

CGS D (Non-Quotas) & DFSA

AGENCY DEADLINE

Applications submitted directly to CIHR

Deadline is on October 17 before 8:00 pm (ET)

* There could be an internal deadline in advance of the CIHR deadline.



Don't wait to the last minute!
Start working on your application several weeks before the deadline.



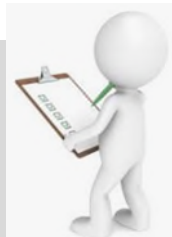
Quota. Maximum number of applications an institution can forward to the agency.

Doctoral Awards – CGS D & DFSA

Harmonized Eligibility Criteria

- Open to Canadian citizens, permanent residents of Canada or Protected Persons, as of the application deadline
- Have completed **no more than 24 months** of full-time study in their doctoral program by December 31 of the calendar year of application if previously enrolled in a graduate program
- Have completed **no more than 36 months** of full-time study in their joint program by December 31 of the calendar year of application if enrolled in a joint program, such as MD/PhD, MA/PhD, *regardless if previously enrolled in a master's program*
- Have completed **no more than 36 months** of full-time study in their doctoral program by December 31 of the calendar year of application if enrolled directly from a bachelor's to a PhD program (not previously enrolled in a graduate program)

An applicant who commenced studies in a doctoral program directly from an undergraduate program (i.e., never enrolled in a Master's program) must be enrolled in their doctoral program at the time of application - *These applicants may be eligible to apply to the [CGS M program](#) for their first year of doctoral funding.*



Doctoral Awards – CGS D & DFSA

Harmonized Eligibility Criteria – Cont'd

- Applicants can submit a maximum of one scholarship application per academic year to either CIHR, NSERC or SSHRC. Nominations to the Vanier CGS program and applications to the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program do not count toward this limit (other exceptions may apply to CIHR internships)
- Applicants cannot have already received a doctoral-level scholarship from CIHR, NSERC or SSHRC (does not apply to CIHR Fellowships)

Eligibility is based on the number of months of full-time study in the degree for which the applicant is requesting funding by **December 31 of the calendar year of application**. Two-terms of part-time study count as one term of full-time study.

An eligible doctoral program **must include** a significant research component.



CGS D & DFSA – Selection process

Selection Criteria

1. Research Ability and Potential (50%)

- Quality of research proposal
- Relevant training
- Research experience and achievements relative to stage of study
- Quality of contributions to advance the field of research
- Sound judgment and critical thinking skills
- Demonstration of responsible and ethical research conduct
- Enthusiasm for research, originality, initiative, autonomy, relevant community involvement and outreach
- Oral and written scientific communication skills

2. Relevant experience and achievements obtained within and beyond academia (50%)

- Scholarships, awards and distinctions (amount, duration and prestige)
- Academic record
- Professional, academic and extracurricular activities as well as collaborations with supervisors, colleagues, peers, students and members of the community

Annex A of the *CIHR Reviewer's Guide for Fellowship Awards* provides detailed information on these Evaluation criteria.



Additional space allocated for Research Project Summary & Training Expectations written in French

Candidates submitting a research project summary and/or Training Expectations in French for their doctoral application (CGS D / DFSA) will be allowed to submit additional pages, in support of evidence demonstrating that French documents require approximately 20% more space than similar English documents.

Research Project Summary

Written in English ► 1 page

Written in French ► 1.5 pages

Training Expectations

Written in English ► 2 pages

Written in French ► 2.5 pages

Although ResearchNet is not designed to only allow for the upload of half pages, text included in these sections must not exceed limits above or will be removed with no further notification to the Nominated Principal Applicant by CIHR.

It is at the discretion of each institution to follow up with their applicants who have exceeded the page limits allowed, so that they can rectify their application, **before their Institution's internal deadline or CIHR's deadline, whichever comes first.**



For more information, consult the [Acceptable Application Formats and PDF Attachments](#) and the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) CIHR web pages.

CGS D & DFSA – Tips for success (Cont'd)

Tasks	Useful Information to Know
Attach Other Application Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Order the transcripts several weeks before the deadline (must include all undergraduate and graduate studies, completed or ongoing).▪ Complete the Doctoral Studies Timelines form – it must be uploaded as one single PDF with transcripts.▪ Complete the Confirmation of Scientific Area form – it must be uploaded as one single PDF.▪ Optional ! For candidates who have not been affiliated with an Institution with a quota for CIHR within the calendar year of their application a Self-Declaration of No Institutional Affiliation with a quota form must be included – it must be uploaded as one single PDF under “Other”.▪ Optional ! For candidates who want to self-identify as an Indigenous person (First Nation, Inuk (Inuit), or Métis) within their application a Voluntary Self-Identification for Indigenous Applicants form must be included – it must be uploaded as one single PDF under “Other”.
Apply to Priority Announcements / Funding Pools (Optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ It increases funding success if the application is relevant to a specific CIHR research area – can be considered for up to three areas.▪ The Canada Graduate Scholarship to honor Nelson Mandela is listed as a Priority Announcement.

CGS D & DFSA – Tips for success

Tasks	Useful Information to Know
Identify Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ In addition to yourself, you must also identify a supervisor.▪ If only one supervisor, it must be selected as “Primary Supervisor”.▪ CV is not required for the supervisor.
Identify Sponsors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Only 2 sponsor assessments are required.▪ Applicants can manage the deadline by which sponsors must submit their assessment.▪ Refer your sponsors to the Information to Sponsors web page, so they can follow best practices and limit unconscious bias.
Enter Proposal Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Indicate the institution that will administer the funds as early as possible in order to view their internal deadline (CGS D applications only).▪ Use full page allowances* and adhere to format guidelines (e.g. font, page limits).▪ Carefully read instructions related to Training Expectations and Research Project Summary sections, as they align with the evaluation criteria. <p><i>* Note: Page allowance vary depending on official language selected.</i></p>



It is important for candidates to familiarize themselves with the [CIHR Doctoral Research Awards – Application instructions](#)

CGS D & DFSA – Tips for success (Cont'd)

Tasks	Useful Information to Know
Print/Upload Signature Pages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Only the supervisor's signature is required (maximum of two supervisors can be identified per application).▪ Institutional signatures are not required at time of application.
Preview	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ensure consistency between the various sections of the application.▪ Proofread your application (grammar and orthography).▪ Show the complete application to your supervisor and other researchers for feedback.▪ Refer to the Flowchart to validate how your application is to be submitted:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ For CGS D ► a Canadian Institution with a quota or directly to CIHR▪ For DFSA ► Directly to CIHR
Consent and Submit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Be particularly careful when determining if your application should be submitted to a Canadian Institution or directly to CIHR for your application to not be rejected. Note: For CGS D application submitted to an institution <u>with</u> a quota, it is the responsibility of the Scholarships Liaison Officer (or equivalent) to inform applicants of the outcome of the institution's internal selection process



Applicants may submit their application in the official language of their choice.

Fellowship Awards Programs

Funding is available for Post-Docs and Post-Health professionals in Canada and abroad

Two envelopes of funding:

- **Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship**

- ❖ Endorsement from Host Institution required
- ❖ Intended for students pursuing research training

- **CIHR Fellowship**

- ❖ Intended to:
 - PhD holder pursuing a Post-PhD
 - Health Professional pursuing a graduate degree or a research training.



Peer Review Opportunity

Depending on expertise requirements, there are opportunities for Postdoctoral Fellows to participate in evaluating applications for CIHR's Doctoral Research Awards. For more information, please see the [peer review pilot studies](#).

Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships

- ✓ Aims to attract and retain top-tier postdoctoral talent nationally and internationally;
- ✓ Develop their leadership potential;
- ✓ Position them for success as research leaders of tomorrow, positively contributing to Canada's economic, social and research-based growth through a research-intensive career.

For more information about this program:
<http://banting.fellowships-bourses.gc.ca>

Email: Banting@cihr-irsc.gc.ca



Bourses postdoctorales
Banting
Postdoctoral Fellowships

Annual Value: \$70,000

Duration: 2 years

Application Deadline:

▶ September 21, 2022

Note:

Institutions may have prior internal deadlines

Application Guide

Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships



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Fellowship overview

Eligibility

Application guide

Information for host institutions

Information for referees

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Resources and tools

Deadline: 21 September 2022 (20:00 EDT)

[View more fellowship details](#)



Banting Postdoctoral Researchers 2020-2021

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Pause

Eligibility

Selection Criteria

Applications are evaluated based on the following three criteria (weighted equally):

- 1) Research excellence and leadership in the research domain
- 2) Quality of applicant's proposed research program
- 3) Institutional commitment and demonstrated synergy between applicant and institutional strategic priorities



Applicants should read the [Selection committee guide](#) prior to commencing their application as it contains valuable information on how these criteria are evaluated.

CIHR Fellowship

This program provides support for highly-qualified candidate trainees in all areas of health research at the post-PhD degree or post-health professional degree stages to add to their experience by engaging in health research either in Canada or abroad.

Stipend and term is determined based on the candidate's educational background and proposed location of research.

Annual Stipend: From \$21,000 to \$55,000

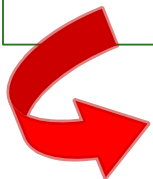
*For awards physically held outside Canada, \$5,000 is added to the award annual stipend.

Annual Research Allowance: \$5,000

Term: Up to 5 years

Application Deadline: October 5, 2022

The [CIHR Fellowship program](#) will be launched on July 7, 2022.



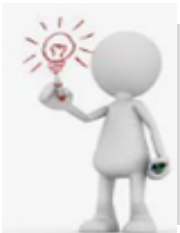
Canadian Institutions may have an [internal deadline](#) ahead of CIHR.



CIHR Fellowship

Eligibility Criteria

- The candidate must be a [trainee](#).
- A primary [supervisor](#) must be identified on the application. An additional supervisor may also be identified.
- As of the application deadline, the candidate must hold OR be completing a PhD or regulated health professional degree.
 - The candidate must expect to have completed all degree requirements by the latest date on which they may commence their award.
 - Health Professional degree holders may request support to pursue a graduate degree or to pursue post-degree research.
- Canadian citizens and permanent residents are eligible to hold awards in Canada or abroad; foreign applicants are eligible to hold awards in Canada.
- Applicants must complete one of [CIHR's three interactive modules on sex and gender in research](#)



For more information visit the [CIHR Health Research Training Award Programs](#) webpage

CIHR Fellowship - Selection process

Evaluation Criteria

1. Achievements and Activities of the Candidate (60%)

- Training Expectations (10%)
- Proposed Research Project (10%)
- Honours, Awards and Academic Distinction (10%)
- Publications and Related Research Achievements (30%)

2. Sponsor's Assessment of the Candidate's Characteristics and Abilities (20%)

3. Research Training Environment (20%)

[Annex A](#) of the *CIHR Reviewer's Guide for Fellowship Awards* provides detailed information on these Evaluation criteria.



CIHR Fellowship – Tips for your application

Tasks	Useful Information to Know
Identify Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ In addition to yourself, you must also identify a supervisor in the role of “Primary Supervisor”▪ You may identify an additional supervisor in the role of “Supervisor”.▪ It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain their supervisor(s)' CCV confirmation number and enter it in this section.
Enter Proposal Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ It is important to justify if a research proposal exceptionally lacks sex and gender considerations.▪ Carefully read instructions and respond to all aspects.
Complete Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Carefully read instructions related to the adjudication criteria in Appendix A.▪ Use full page allowances and adhere to format guidelines (e.g. font, page limits) and proofread your application (grammar and spelling).
Identify Sponsors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Three (3) sponsor assessments are required.▪ Applicants can manage the deadline by which sponsors must submit their assessment.▪ Refer your sponsors to the Information to Sponsors web page, so they can follow best practices and limit unconscious bias.



It is important for candidates to familiarize themselves with the [CIHR Fellowship Awards– Application instructions](#)

CIHR Fellowship– Tips for your application

Tasks	Useful Information to Know
Attach Other Application Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Complete the Confirmation of Scientific Area form – it must be uploaded as one single PDF.▪ Complete the appropriate CIHR interactive module on sex and gender in research that applies to the research project and attach the certificate of completion – it must be uploaded as one single PDF under “Other”.
Apply to Priority Announcements / Funding Pools (Optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ It increases funding success if the application is relevant to a specific CIHR research area – can be considered for up to three areas (PAs).
Print/Upload Signature Pages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ All 3 pages of the document must be uploaded as part of the application prior to submission▪ Only the supervisor(s) signatures are required▪ Institutional signatures are not required at time of application.
Preview	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ensure consistency between the various sections of the application.▪ Show the complete application to your supervisor and other researchers for feedback.

CIHR Fellowship– Tips for your application

Tasks	Useful Information to Know
Consent and Submit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Applicants must review the terms listed and respond to the questions regarding consent in order to submit their applicationNote: It is highly recommended that applicants submit their application well ahead of the CIHR deadline. If the applicant's institution is part of eApproval, their institution's research office may return the application to the applicant with comments or questions.



Applicants may submit their application in the official language of their choice.

CIHR Fellowship - Tips for Applicants

Candidates are encouraged/required to...

- ✓ Start several weeks before the deadline
- ✓ Work on the research proposal in collaboration with your supervisor
- ✓ Proofread your application (grammar and spelling)
- ✓ Show the complete application to your supervisor and other researchers for feedback
- ✓ Ensure consistency between the various sections of your application
- ✓ Ensure that the overall goal of the project is clearly explained

- All ResearchNet tasks must be listed as **complete** in order to allow successful application Submission.
- Do not wait until the last minute to submit your application!



CIHR Fellowship - Tips for Applicants

Candidates are encouraged/required to... (Cont'd)

- ✓ Follow instructions and adhere to format guidelines (e.g., font, page limits)
- ✓ Use full page allowances and/or characters limits
- ✓ Obtain the CCV confirmation number from your supervisor(s) in order to attach their CCV to the application
- ✓ Submit CCV well in advance of the competition deadline (during peak periods, there can be a delay between the time that the CCV is being submitted and when ResearchNet is able to validate it, which could prevent successful submission of the application).

Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.



CIHR Fellowship – Useful Resources

Visit the **CIHR Health Research Training Award Programs** website, under the *Postdoctoral/Degree Fellows* tab, there is useful information links (<https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50513.html#details-panel3>).

The screenshot shows a navigation menu with four tabs: 'Masters students', 'Doctoral students', 'Postdoctoral/degree fellows', and 'CIHR Institute initiatives'. The 'Postdoctoral/degree fellows' tab is circled in red. Below the navigation, a text block states: 'All Postdoctoral training awards offered by CIHR or through CIHR Institutes can be accessed through [CIHR's grants and awards database](#).' There are three main sections: 1. 'Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships' with a description of the awards' purpose. 2. 'CIHR Fellowship Program' with a red arrow pointing to it and a description of support for candidates. 3. 'Useful links:' with a red arrow pointing to a list of seven links: 'CIHR Fellowship Awards – Application instructions', 'CIHR Reviewers' Guide for Fellowship Awards', 'Information for Sponsors', 'CIHR Fellowship Awards – Frequently Asked Questions', 'Individual Development Plans', 'Peer Review Committees and Mandates – Fellowships', and 'Tri-agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide'. To the right of these sections is a 'Peer review opportunity' box with text about evaluating applications for CIHR's Doctoral Research Awards.

Masters students Doctoral students **Postdoctoral/degree fellows** CIHR Institute initiatives

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Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships
These awards aim to attract and retain top-tier talent, both nationally and internationally, to develop their leadership potential and to position them for success as research leaders of tomorrow, positively contributing to Canada's economic, social, and research-based growth through a research-intensive career.

CIHR Fellowship Program ←
These awards provide support for highly-qualified candidates at the postdoctoral (post-PhD) or post-health professional degree stages to add to their experience by engaging in health research either in Canada or abroad.

Useful links: ←

- [CIHR Fellowship Awards – Application instructions](#)
- [CIHR Reviewers' Guide for Fellowship Awards](#)
- [Information for Sponsors](#)
- [CIHR Fellowship Awards – Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Individual Development Plans](#)
- [Peer Review Committees and Mandates – Fellowships](#)
- [Tri-agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide](#)

Peer review opportunity
Depending on expertise requirements, there are opportunities for Postdoctoral Fellows to participate in evaluating applications for CIHR's Doctoral Research Awards. Invitations will be sent by email. For more information, please see the [peer review pilot studies](#).

Find useful information to increase application success – Have a look!



Strategic Awards Programs for Doctoral trainees & Postdoctoral Researchers

Health System Impact Fellowship (HSIF)

- General objective: Provides **doctoral and post-doctoral** awardees with an embedded research opportunity within health systems and related organizations where they will dedicate most of their time towards a co-developed program of work that advances the organization's impact goals and contributes to improved health system performance.
- Anticipated launch: **November 2022**

CGEn HostSeq/CIHR Joint Postdoctoral Fellowship

- General objective: Provide **postdoctoral researchers** in the field of human genetics and bioinformatics with the opportunity to utilize large-scale genomic and clinical data from CGEn's HostSeq Databank to support their research.
- **Application deadline: July 14, 2022**



Support for Early Career Researchers

CIHR provides support to ECRs through **grants and awards:**

RECENT EXAMPLES

- **Project Grants**
 - ❖ Generally, and Priority Announcements that include an ECR focus
- **Canada Research Chairs**
- **Research Training Platforms/Entities and other Funding Opportuning with a training focus**
 - ❖ Participation in a variety of roles
- **Early Career Investigator Awards**
 - ❖ Multiple opportunities led by one or several of the CIHR Institutes and Initiatives
- **Early Career/New Investigator Grants**
 - ❖ Multiple opportunities led by one or several of the CIHR Institutes and Initiatives

Support for Early Career Researchers

CIHR provides support to ECRs through other **activities, resources, practices and policies:**

- **College of Reviewers – Reviewer Pathway**

- ❖ Suite of learning programs across career phases, including ECR, to develop peer review skills
- ❖ <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/51666.html>

- **Networking**

- ❖ Institute-led New Investigator/Career Workshops

- **Policies**

- ❖ Experiential leave (unpaid)

- **Practices**

- ❖ Funding equalization for ECRs
- ❖ ECR eligibility window (extended due to COVID-19)



Other Useful Information

CGS Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement (CGS MSFSS)

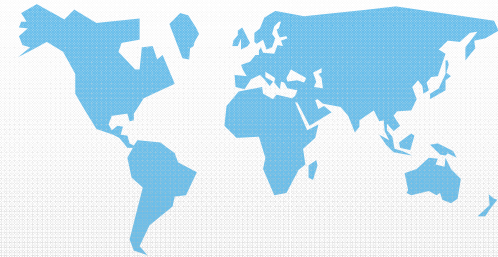
This program funds existing Canadian Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships (Vanier CGS) and Canada Graduate Scholarship (CGS) Master's or Doctoral award recipients interested in building global linkages and international networks through the pursuit of exceptional short-term research experiences at research institutions outside of Canada.

Supplement: up to \$6,000

Term: 2 to 6 months

Application Deadline:

June 10 and October 10 each year



To benefit from this program, candidates must have accepted or hold a CGS (Master or Doctoral) or CGS Vanier and not have previously held a CGS MSFSS.

Sponsor Assessments

Candidates should choose sponsors that know them well enough to be able:

- ✓ to assess their potential
- ✓ to provide specific examples of their behaviour with respect to **each** characteristic on the sponsor assessment form

Candidates are responsible to instruct their selected sponsors to consult the [Information for sponsors](#) web page for useful tips.



To know....

Applicants can manage the deadline by which sponsors must submit their assessments.

By default, the Sponsor Required Deadline in ResearchNet is set for two days before the application deadline. However, applicants can adjust this to any date prior to the application deadline.

Access a PDF version of the Sponsor Assessment form to help you better understand what it consists of:
<https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/797.html>

Restrictions

Applications submitted to more than one competition

This restriction also applies to the Canada Graduate Scholarships – Master (CGS M) competition, even if the platform used is the Research Portal, and not ResearchNet.



Applicants may only submit an application to one competition per academic year (September 1st to August 31st) for funding from any of these granting agencies:

- Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)
- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)



Any exceptions to this rule will be indicated within the funding opportunity to which you are applying.



CIHR Training Resources

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Information and Resources for Trainees

Training Main Page

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50507.html>

1

Award Programs and Initiatives

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50508.html>

2

Training Resources

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50509.html>

Training Tools

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50517.html>

3

Strategies and Policies

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50510.html>



[Award Programs and Other Health Research Training Initiatives](#)
Read about and apply for CIHR and tri-agency award programs and health research training-related initiatives.



[Training Resources \("Career Hub"\)](#)
CIHR's "Career Hub" has tools and resources to enhance your career prospects in diverse fields, and to learn mentoring best practices.



[Strategies and Policies](#)
Read about the strategies and policies that explain CIHR's commitments to supporting and enhancing training in the health research enterprise.



[Stakeholders and Collaborators](#)
Learn about various groups supporting health research training in Canada and who CIHR is working with to ensure that Canada is developing the next generation of leaders.

CIHR Training Modules

CIHR has created a **series of research training modules** to ensure trainees are aware of and can integrate emerging practices to advance rigorous and responsible research.



Global Health Research Training Module



The TCPS2 Tutorial Course on Research Ethics



Sex and Gender Considerations



CIHR Research Data Management (RDM) Learning Module



Research Involving First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples of Canada



Ethics in Research: A Science Lifecycle Approach



Bias in Peer Review Training Module



College of Reviewers

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50517.html>

Individual Development Plans

CIHR encourages the use of Individual Development Plans (IDPs) to **empower trainees** to prepare for the career(s) of their choice.

✓ What are Individual Development Plans (IDPs)?

IDPs help individuals to prepare for their career by encouraging exploration and the identification of career goals and the intentional planning of short and long-term strategies to attain these goals.



✓ 5 steps to develop and complete an effective IDP



For more information on how to fill out an IDP, check out the [CIHR IDP webpage](#) for useful resources, including:

- ❑ [Step by step guide to IDP](#)
- ❑ [IDP tip sheet](#)
- ❑ [IDP learning modules](#)
(for trainees and mentors)
- ❑ [CIHR IDP Form](#) (revised)

** Alternate IDP forms may exist at your university.

Benefits of IDP Use

Active career management, such as using the IDP tool, has been shown to:



Decrease time to degree completion



Increase success in securing research funding (e.g., scholarships and awards)



Enhance access to career advice



Create better career outcomes for trainees



Increase career satisfaction



Learn more about the benefits of IDPs for:

- [Trainees](#)
- [Mentors](#)
- [Canadian Economy](#)



Equity, Diversity and Inclusion at CIHR

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion at CIHR: Self-Identification



CIHR has committed to identifying and eliminating systematic biases against any individual or group that would hinder access to CIHR funds.



Reliable and comparable data is essential to identify, track and monitor equitable access to research funds.

- *Data collection has been harmonized across the Tri Agencies*



All applicant participants on submissions to all CIHR programs are asked to fill out an Equity and Diversity Questionnaire.



Five questions: gender, age, Indigenous identity, visible minority identity, and person with disabilities.

- *Each question has “I prefer not to answer” option*

Equity and Diversity Questionnaire



Links

CIHR is committed to ensuring the fair treatment of all participants, and the questionnaire is a tool that will allow CIHR to monitor the equity performance of its programs.

You are invited to view more information at the following links:

- [Message from the Associate Vice-President: CIHR launches new Equity and Diversity Questionnaire for applicants](#)
- [How to complete the Equity and Diversity Questionnaire](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions about the Equity and Diversity Questionnaire](#)



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