

# Graduate Scholarship Information

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## Scholarships

### Who – What – Where – When – Why

- Students with a GPA of 8.0/10 (A-) and above
- Via appropriate portals or avenues
  - Example – online, in paper, etc.
- Substantial amounts – 15 000 \$ minimum for one year



This is just a little general information.

For the appropriate portals or avenues, this can vary between scholarships so it is important to verify how to apply early so there are no surprises.

Graduate studies can be extremely expensive so these opportunities are invaluable.

## Scholarships

### Being well-prepared...

- Identify 2 professors who will write you excellent letters of recommendation
- You will need to provide a research proposal. Check the university website (<http://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/students/awards>) regularly starting in Mid-August for up-to date information on application processes, deadlines and possible information and chat sessions that will be offered
- **Add to your agenda the deadlines – the deadlines are firm**



Generally you would choose your supervisors to provide letters of recommendation, as they know your work and are familiar with you.

For the research proposal part of the application, Anne-Julie will provide more detailed information later in the presentation.

<http://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/students/awards>

It is always a good idea to the scholarship website as often as possible because new information will be posted throughout the year.

It is very important to note the deadlines for applications...they are firm and submissions after the fact will not be considered, so budget your time to prepare your application accordingly.

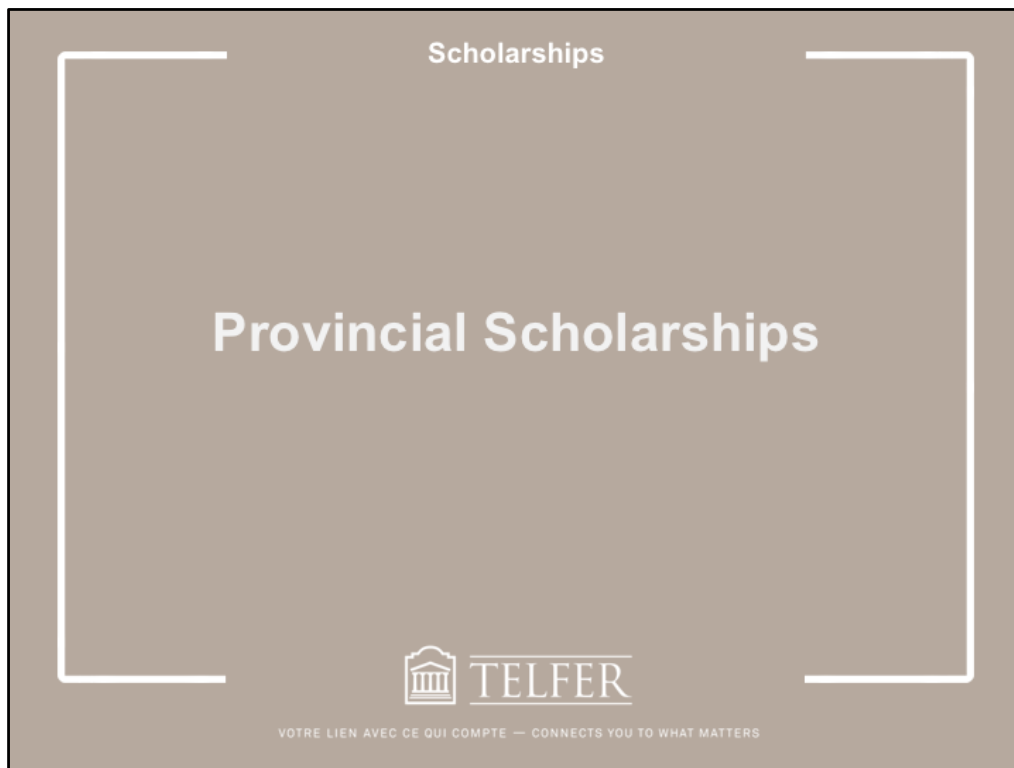
## Scholarships

### **Top Reasons your application may be disqualified**

- Missing a transcript from an exchange program, letter of permission, special student course or from older studies
- Missing your transcript which includes the Fall 2018 session
- Assuming that you already submitted the documents for your admission into the program and that they will be considered for scholarship competitions



- 1) OGS and SSHRC require you to submit transcripts from all of the postsecondary institution that you have attended, whether this was just one course or a whole program. Do not assume that because the grades appear on your other transcripts that this will be sufficient or that a transcript doesn't need to be submitted because it was for studies completed long ago. Submit the official transcripts of all of the postsecondary institutions you have attended
- 2) you may have just started your program here this fall and have no grades that appear on your transcript yet, however OGS and SSHRC require you to submit a transcript to show you are registered in courses during the fall 2017 session
- 3) OGS and SSHRC CGSM are provincial and federal scholarship managed internally by the University, however this does not mean that the documents you submitted for your admission to the program here can be used for these competitions. You must submit all new transcripts or translation of transcripts for these scholarship competitions and these documents should be dated or issued during the fall term (session) of the year you are applying for the funding. An exception to this would be if you have transcripts or translations that were produced earlier than 2017, but were considered final (nothing has changed on the document since it was produced).



We will first talk about provincial scholarships.

Scholarships

## Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS)

<https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/students/awards/ontario-graduate-scholarship>

**Value :** \$15,000 per year maximum (up to \$5000 per term) with full-time student status

**Duration :** One year (non-renewable: you must apply every year)

Masters Program – maximum 2 academic years  
PhD Program – maximum 4 academic years

(you must apply 8-12 months prior of the funding beginning)

- Minimum GPA of 8.0/10 (A-)
- *Each university in Ontario receiving an OGS allocation administers the entire OGS application process and granting of OGS awards.*



The ones we will be addressing today are the Ontario Graduate Scholarships.

<https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/students/awards/ontario-graduate-scholarship>

This link takes you to the page at uOttawa with the OGS information. Please be advised that this page has not been updated yet with the new competition. The information is from the last round so it is not open for submission yet, but it is still a great source of information to prepare you for when it does open.

This is a very valuable scholarship and is open to Masters and PhD students. You must re-apply every year to continue benefitting from OGS.

The following are the main requirements for the OGS scholarships, but be aware that Telfer may have specific criteria that needs to be met, this information will be posted to the OGS uOttawa site when it's available.

Even though it is a provincial scholarship program, you do not have to be an Ontario resident to apply - be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, protected person, temporary resident visa or student study permit at the time of the OGS application deadline.

Each university establishes their own deadlines

Individual faculties may establish additional requirements – read these sections carefully

OGS awards are not transferable between universities or between faculties at uOttawa, so if you receive one at Telfer, that is where you must use it.

You must submit an OGS application to each Ontario university with whom you are seeking admission to a graduate program and also to each faculty within a university in which you are seeking admission. Filling out one OGS application does not mean you will be considered for all of your choices, so if you are applying for admission at several universities, you need to submit an application for each one.

There are quotas of scholarships that are allocated to the university...uOttawa as a whole has a quota of 271 scholarships and distributes that quota to the various faculties. The majority of the scholarships are for Canadian residents but there are a small amount for international students as well, which includes students with a visa or study permit.

Something to keep in mind as well, is that each student is limited to a lifetime maximum of 6 years of government funded student awards...provincial and federal awards are both government funded.

## Scholarships

### Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS)

Deadline – TBD – last year was December 1 – portal should open by early October

<https://ogs.fluidreview.com/?lang=en> – Online Application Portal

<https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/ogs-application-portal-step-step-instructions> - This link includes step by step instructions to complete your application which is entirely online through the portal

- **You will need:**
  - Completed application form (in the portal) which includes Research/Program Statement and Contributions, Academic Assessment Report and Transcripts
  - Recommendation Request/Assessment– choose 2 referees; ideally your supervisor should be one
    - Provide their full and correct contact information including **email**
    - They will be contacted by the system and asked to complete the assessment in the available text box and form
    - Follow up to ensure they have completed the assessment and submitted it
  - *All documents are scanned and uploaded or completed online*



The new competition hasn't been announced yet but last year's deadline was December 1, for funding to start the next September-December.

<https://ogs.fluidreview.com/?lang=en> This is the link to the portal where you will complete your application. It says last year's competition but should be updated soon with the new competition and then the portal will be opened again. When you create your account, you will need to use a personal email, it says not to use your uOttawa email address.

This link is a great tool, providing you with instructions on how to complete the application. <https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/ogs-application-portal-step-step-instructions>

The portal is where you will input all of your information, which includes your academic status, previous studies, previous awards, OGS or financial aid, the research/programs statement and contributions (which is the research proposal), your recommendation requests and your transcripts.

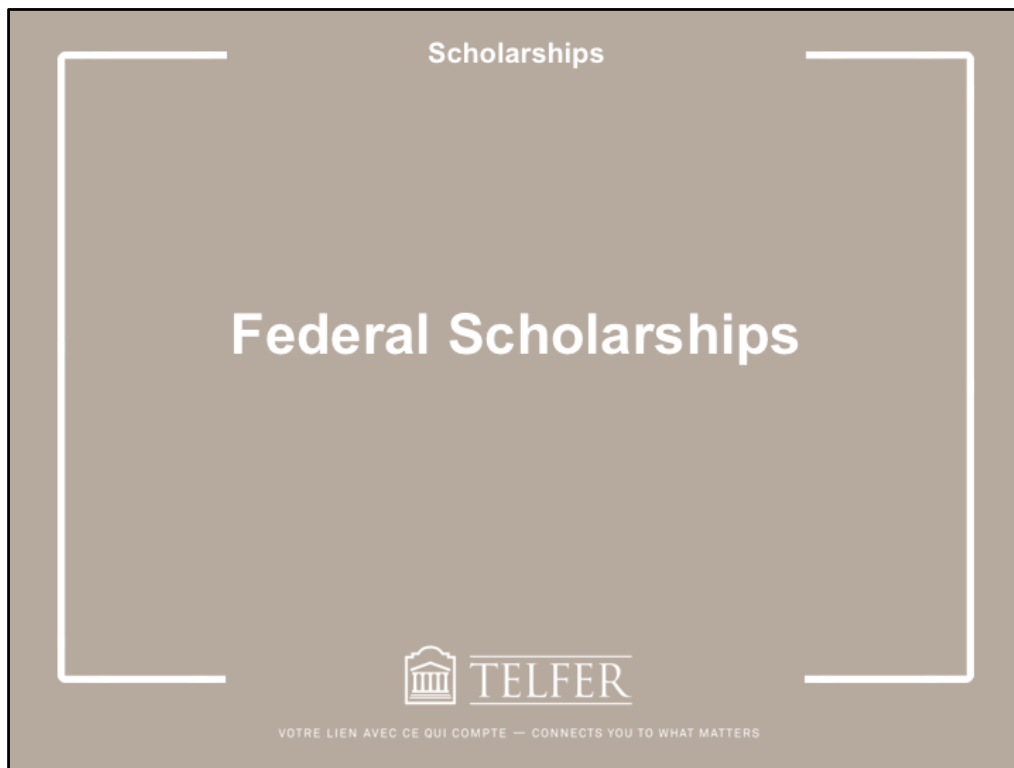
**For Referees:**

Provide them with your CV, your research/program statement, your transcripts, a sample of your writing (i.e. a well-received

essay), a list of your accomplishments worthy of mention in their letter, etc.

You must enter your referee's contact information in the application and they will be sent a request by the system to complete the assessment in the available evaluation grid and free form text box...follow up with them to ensure this has been completed and that they have saved it after finishing – **you can not submit without them. Once they have completed this, you need to log back into the system to do your final submission – it is not done automatically for you.**

Since all the documents that aren't already PDFs are scanned and uploaded, ensure they are the proper ones and that they are good quality – if they aren't scanned properly your application will be considered incomplete and you will not be eligible. Also the system will not let you submit until your application is fully complete so carefully review your submission.



Now we will talk about some of the federal scholarships that are available to you.

Scholarships

**Tri-Council Agencies  
Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS – M and  
CGS – D)**  
[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-  
CS/index\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/index_eng.asp)

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of  
Canada (**NSERC**)  
Alexander Graham Bell CGS-M and -D

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of  
Canada (**SSHRC**)  
Joseph-Armand Bombardier CGS-M and -D

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (**CIHR**)  
Frederic Banting and Charles Best CGS-M and -D

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This is a list of the Canada Graduate scholarships for Masters and PhD students, also known as CGS-M and CGS-D.

This link takes you to the Post Graduate programs page, which has information on all of these opportunities and others that you can explore as well. [http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/index\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/index_eng.asp)

The three funding agencies, SSHRC, NSERC and CIHR all offer these awards, but NSERC is the agency that coordinates the Canada Common CV.

## Scholarships

### Tri-Council Agencies (SSHRC, NSERC, and CIHR) – Graduate Scholarships

#### NSERC

Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS)  
NSERC Postgraduate Scholarships (PGS)

CGS – Doctoral	\$35,000 / year (for 2 or 3 years)
PGS – Doctoral	\$21,000 / year (for 2 or 3 years)
CGS – Master's	\$17,500 for 12 months

#### SSHRC

Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS)  
SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships

CGS – Doctoral	\$35,000 / year (for 3 years)
Doctoral Fellowship	\$20,000 / year (up to 4 years)
CGS – Master's	\$17,500 for 12 months

#### CIHR

Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS)

CGS – Doctoral	\$35,000* / yr (for 3 yrs)
CGS – Master's	\$17,500 for 12 months

\* \$30,000 plus \$5000 research allowance



Here are the amounts of the scholarships that we will be talking about.  
The Masters scholarships are the same value from each agency, as are the doctoral ones, just a slight variance in the doctoral fellowship ones.

Scholarships

**Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship – Deadline:  
September 5, 2018 (passed)**

Valued at \$50,000 per year for up to 3 years  
Must be nominated by the university  
[www.vanier.gc.ca](http://www.vanier.gc.ca)

**Trudeau Foundation Scholarship – Deadline: Fall  
2018 (TBD)**

Currently under revision  
<http://www.trudeaufoundation.ca/en/programs/doctoral-scholarships>

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We will not get into these scholarships today, but we just wanted to make you aware of them.

For the Vanier scholarship, you must be nominated by the university in order to be eligible, and it is valued at \$50,000 per year for up to 3 years during doctoral studies. More information can be found on their website. The deadline has passed for this year, but keep it in mind for next year. [www.vanier.gc.ca](http://www.vanier.gc.ca)

The Trudeau foundation scholarship is currently under revision, including criteria and deadlines. As with the Vanier, more information regarding the Trudeau Foundation Scholarship can be found on their website, so check there often for updates. <http://www.trudeaufoundation.ca/en/programs/doctoral-scholarships>

## Scholarships

### **Master's scholarships (CGS-M) from Tri-Council Agencies (SSHRC, NSERC, and CIHR)**

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSM-BESCM\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSM-BESCM_eng.asp)

Value: \$17,500 for one year (non-renewable)

- Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada
- Have completed, as of December 31 of the year of application, between zero and 12 months of full-time studies (or equivalent) in:
  - The master's program for which you are requesting funding
  - Must have a minimum GPA of 8.0/10 (A-) in each of the last two years of full-studies
- Not have previously held a CGS-M

**DEADLINE: December 1**



Back to the Masters scholarships from the tri-council agencies.

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSM-BESCM\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSM-BESCM_eng.asp)

As previously mentioned, they are worth \$17,500 for one year and these ones are non renewable, so this is a total amount that can be obtained.

Theses are the basic requirements, more detail can be found on the website.

## Scholarships

### Master's scholarships (CGS-M) from Tri-Council Agencies (SSHRC, NSERC, and CIHR)

- Requirements for submission
  - Canada Common CV (<https://ccv-cvc.ca/>) (Managed by NSERC for all Tri-Council)
    - The Tri-Council agencies all use it so it is a valuable tool
    - Create an account to create your CV; lots of documentation to help in your completion of your CV
  - Reference Assessments (2)
    - As with OGS, you enter contact information via the portal and they are sent an email with instructions on how to complete the assessment
    - Follow up to ensure completion
  - Completed application – via the online portal <https://portal-portail.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/s/login.aspx>
    - You will need to create an account

**DEADLINE: December 1**



Some information for submissions.

All tri-council agencies, SSHRC, NSERC and CIHR use the Canada Common CV...some of you may already be familiar with it, others may need to get it set up. Here is the link to their website. <https://ccv-cvc.ca/>

Once you create an account and login, you can choose your funding source and CV type. Then it provides you with a large list of items to complete and it essentially becomes a database that you can access and retrieve the data you need for whatever purpose you have...different agencies or awards require different information but this way it is all in one place for you. If there are items that do not apply to your situation, it is ok to leave them blank. The website has lots of helpful information to help you fill in your CV.

The CGS-M is managed by NSERC, even if you are applying for funding from SSHRC or CIHR. Again, the links provide valuable information about completing your application, the sections that make up the application and the documents you need to provide, so please review them carefully. <https://portal-portail.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/s/login.aspx> Again you will need reference assessments from people familiar with your work and who know you well...these are most likely current or former supervisors, but **not proposed ones**. Contact them in advance to ensure they are willing to complete this task. Once you enter their contact information they will be sent a link to complete your assessment. It is your responsibility to follow up with them to ensure that part has been completed, as late and incomplete submissions will not be accepted.

The deadline is December 1st by 8 pm via the online portal, but if December 1<sup>st</sup> is on a

weekend, the deadline shifts to the next business day. There is generally a large volume of activity close to the deadline and this can result in delays for submission, so try to submit early...late submissions will not be accepted. Results are usually available in the portal as of April 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Scholarships

### **Tri-Council Agencies (SSHRC, NSERC, and CIHR) – PhD Graduate Scholarships**

#### **CRITERIA COMMON TO ALL COUNCILS**

- be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada;
- Intend to pursue, in the following year, full-time graduate studies and research in a PhD
- not have already received or currently hold a doctoral scholarship or fellowship from SSHRC, NSERC or CIHR (including a Vanier CGS or a CGS-D or PGS-D) to undertake or complete a doctoral degree or combined MA/PhD



Now back to the doctoral scholarships. These are some criteria that are common to all of the agencies. You can also only submit one application per year to one agency...so if you apply to SSHRC, you can't apply to NSERC or CIHR.

## Scholarships

### Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - NSERC

CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO NSERC

Deadline: TBD (October 23, 2017)

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/BellandPostgrad-BelletSuperieures\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/BellandPostgrad-BelletSuperieures_eng.asp)

- hold, or expect to hold (at the time you take up the award), a degree in science or engineering from a university whose standing is recognized by NSERC
- have obtained a first-class average (a grade of "A-") in each of the last two completed years of study (full-time equivalent).
- you must have completed, as of December 31 of the year of application, between zero and 24 months of studies (full-time equivalent) in the doctoral program for which you are requesting funding



For the NSERC doctoral awards, be aware that they still can accept applications for doctoral students studying in fields other than science and engineering at their discretion so don't let that discourage you from applying.

There may be some additional requirements, so please check their website.

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/BellandPostgrad-BelletSuperieures\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/BellandPostgrad-BelletSuperieures_eng.asp)

Also, be aware that you don't need to submit a separate application for PGS-D...once they have received all applications, top tier applicants are offered CGS-D at \$35,000 per year, and the next tier may be offered PGS-D at \$21,000 per year.

Scholarships

**Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - NSERC**

**CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO NSERC**      **Deadline: TBD (October 23, 2017)**

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/BellandPostgrad-BelletSuperieures\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/BellandPostgrad-BelletSuperieures_eng.asp)

- Requirements for submission – online through the portal
  - Completed application form 201 ([https://ebiz.nserc.ca/nserc\\_web/nserc\\_login\\_e.htm](https://ebiz.nserc.ca/nserc_web/nserc_login_e.htm))
  - Attachments
    - Outline of proposed research;
    - Justification for eligibility of proposed research;
    - Contributions/Statements;
    - Transcripts/Proof of Registration;
    - Reports on the Applicant (2)



You will again need to create an account and you will need to complete form 201 for the NSERC doctoral scholarships. [https://ebiz.nserc.ca/nserc\\_web/nserc\\_login\\_e.htm](https://ebiz.nserc.ca/nserc_web/nserc_login_e.htm) It states this application form is for a PGS-D...there is no separate application form for CGS-D – top tier applicants are offered CGS-D, next tier are offered PGS-D. Even though your application will first be evaluated internally, you still need to complete it via the online portal, and the university will be notified once you have done so and the university internal deadline is still to be determined, but last year was October 23, It could be earlier than this so please continue to check the Graduate and Postdoc website at uOttawa for updated information. The university will then send NSERC the recommended applications they have chosen for consideration. There is a link on the website to access step by step instructions for your application.

Reports on the applicant – you need to choose 2 people, one of which is very familiar with your research and and other abilities, and one that is sufficiently familiar with your research to provide an informed assessment. Contact them to ensure they are willing to do this and then enter their contact information in the portal. You can set a deadline in the portal for your proposed references to complete this part, and then the system will email them with a link to complete it. Again, it is your responsibility to follow up with them to ensure they have submitted it, as your application will remain incomplete until both references have been submitted.

The university will send your application to NSERC.


Scholarships

**Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - SSHRC**

CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO SSHRC      **Deadline: TBD (November 15, 2017)**

<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/fellowships/doctoral-doctorat-eng.aspx>

- be applying to pursue first PhD (or equivalent);
- be pursuing doctoral studies in the social sciences or humanities;
- as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year of applications, you must have completed between zero and 40 months of studies (full-time equivalent) in the doctoral program for which you are requesting funding
- Applications eligible for both a Joseph Armand Bombardier CGS-D and a Doctoral Fellowship will be considered for both awards

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Some criteria specific to SSHRC, the main difference being the subject of study.

The application portal is again managed by NSERC so don't be worried that NSERC is in the weblink for the SSHRC scholarships. <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/fellowships/doctoral-doctorat-eng.aspx>

## Scholarships

### Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - SSHRC

CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO SSHRC

Deadline: TBD (November 15, 2017)

<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/fellowships/doctoral-doctorat-eng.aspx>

- Requirements for submission
  - Completed application form (<https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/faces/logonFellowships.jsp>) to create an account and access the infosheet
  - Attachments
    - Program of Study
    - Biography and Citations
    - Transcripts
    - Letters of Appraisal (2) – must use form provided, others not accepted
      - Maximum 1 page each
- Print all documents pertaining to your application

**Submitted to Graduate Studies Office in paper in person – Grad office closes at 4:30 pm!!**



SSHRC Doctoral scholarships need to be submitted to the Graduate Studies Office of the faculty where you are studying, then they submit applications on your behalf.

<https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/faces/logonFellowships.jsp>

## Scholarships

### Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - CIHR

**CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO CIHR**  
**ResearchNet)**

**Deadline: October 2, 2018 (via**

**<https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/LoginServlet?language=E>**

- All candidates must have completed a minimum of 12 months of graduate study at the Master's or PhD level and no more than 22 months in the Ph.D. as of the application deadline.
- Students who transferred from a Master's to the PhD in less than 12 months are eligible to apply if they have no more than 30 months in the PhD and students who were admitted directly from a bachelor's to the PhD are eligible to apply if they have no more than 34 months of PhD studies as of the application deadline.
- Note – **CIHR uses the Canada Common CV for the Doctoral Scholarships**



CIHR doctoral scholarship applications are submitted online via ResearchNet so you will need to create an account...this then sends it to the university for approval on your behalf, which is why the deadline is quite early.

To apply, you will need a ResearchNet account, a CIHR PIN in ResearchNet, and a Canada Common CV Account. <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/LoginServlet?language=E>

## Scholarships

### Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - CIHR

**CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO CIHR**  
**ResearchNet)**

**Deadline: October 2, 2018 (via**

**<https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/LoginServlet?language=E>**

- <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38887.html> - Instructions for application and specific information required in the Canada Common CV for Doctoral Scholarships
- Sponsors (3)
  - You need to choose 3 sponsors to complete an assessment for you
  - Again, enter their contact information and they will be contacted by the system
  - Follow up to ensure it has been completed
  - You can not see the content of their assessment but you can track the progress



<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38887.html>

## Scholarships

### **Fonds québécois de recherche (for students domiciled in Québec)**

- **Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la nature et les technologies** (Science and Technology) – October 3, 2018
  - Masters - \$17,500 per year, maximum of \$35,000
  - Doctoral - \$21,000 per year, maximum of \$84,000
  - Thematic Scholarships – variable amounts
- **Fonds de recherche en santé du Québec** (Health) – October 15, 2018
  - Masters - \$17,500 per year, maximum of \$35,000
  - Doctoral - \$21,000 per year, maximum of \$84,000
- **Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la société et la culture** (Society and Culture) – Masters October 10, 2018; PhD October 17, 2018
  - Masters - \$17,500 per year, maximum of \$35,000
  - Doctoral - \$21,000 per year, maximum of \$84,000



We would also like to talk about the Fonds Quebecois de recherche which are for students who live in Quebec. They have 3 agencies like the Canadian tri-councils and offer Masters and PhD level scholarships.

## Scholarships

### **Fonds québécois de recherche (for students domiciled in Québec)**

- **Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la nature et les technologies** (Science and Technology) – October 3, 2018
  - <http://www.frqnt.gouv.qc.ca/en/bourses-et-subventions>
- **Fonds de recherche en santé du Québec** (Health) – October 15, 2018
  - <http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/bourses-et-subventions>
- **Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la société et la culture** (Society and Culture) – Masters October 10, 2018; PhD October 17, 2018
  - <http://www.frqsc.gouv.qc.ca/en/bourses-et-subventions>
- All Quebec Scholarships are submitted online



Here are the links to the individual agency websites, just scroll to the bottom and search for funding opportunities. Once you select one to look at, it will give you all the information on full eligibility and the application process. All of the Quebec scholarships are submitted online and you can find lots of valuable information on their websites.

<http://www.frqnt.gouv.qc.ca/en/bourses-et-subventions>

<http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/bourses-et-subventions>

<http://www.frqsc.gouv.qc.ca/en/bourses-et-subventions>

## Preparing the research proposal section of the application



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## Scholarships

### Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS)

<https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/ogs-application-portal-step-step-instructions>

#### Research/Programs Statement and Contributions (maximum – 700 words)

- Applicants pursuing a research based program are required to provide an outline of their research proposal.
  - For example, **how will you answer your research question(s) (your approach/methodology)? What are your guiding research questions? What are the objectives of your research project? How will the literature help you answer your research question(s)? What is your contribution to knowledge? Contextualize your research to fit your program and/or your supervisor's research.**
- Bibliographies and references (if any) must be included within the statement, additional space will not be provided.
- The second section is optional. However, if any research contributions exist, it is highly recommended to include them all, as it may have a major impact on the evaluation of your application.
- Please list all research contributions.
- Research contributions could be: books, monographs, book chapters, articles, conference proceedings, papers presented at scholarly meetings or conferences, articles in professional or trade journals, book reviews, published reviews of your work, research reports, policy papers, public lectures, patents, abstracts, posters, broadcast and text interviews, creative works, creative or artistic works (such as novels, videos, films, visual art works, sound recordings, exhibition catalogues), etc.
- Group contributions by category, list most recent contributions first. Categories should be divided with refereed contributions, non-refereed contributions, forthcoming contributions, submitted contributions and literary and artistic works. Please provide complete bibliographic details when applicable.
- Do not cluster a poster, a conference presentation and a journal article all relating to the same topic. List them separately.




Scholarships

**Evaluation Criteria**  
**Masters Scholarships – all Tri-Council**  
**PhD Scholarships – NSERC only**

Applicants are evaluated and selected according to the general criteria in the following categories. However *please consult each agency's website* for accurate evaluation criteria.

- **Academic excellence**
  - Weighting: 50% for Master and 30% for NSERC PhD
  - As demonstrated by past academic results, transcripts, awards and distinctions.
- **Research ability or potential**
  - Weighting: 30 % for Master and 50% for NSERC PhD
  - As demonstrated by the applicant's research history, his/her interest in discovery, the proposed research, its potential contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the field, and any anticipated outcomes.
- **Communication, interpersonal and leadership abilities**
  - Weighting: 20%
  - As demonstrated by the applicant's past professional and relevant extracurricular interactions and collaborations.



This page gives a general overview of how these CGS-M tri-council and NSERC PhD scholarship applications are evaluated. There is a slight variance between Masters and PhD students, with Masters being more weighted towards academic excellence and the doctoral evaluations leaning more towards research ability and potential. The evaluation criteria can vary between agencies so for accurate information, please consult the agency's website that you are applying to.

## Scholarships

### Tri-Agency CGS-M Scholarships

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#### Outline of Proposed Research

- The attachment consists of two separate sections:
  - Outline of proposed research (maximum of one page);
  - Bibliography/citations (maximum of one page).
- Provide a detailed description of your proposed research project for the period during which you will hold the award. Be as specific as possible. **Provide background information to position your proposed research within the context of the current knowledge in the field. State the objectives and hypothesis, and outline the experimental or theoretical approach to be taken (citing literature pertinent to the proposal), and the methods and procedures to be used.** State the significance of the proposed research to a field or fields in the health sciences, natural sciences and/or engineering or social sciences and/or humanities, as appropriate.
- **Outline the objectives of your research, the context, methodology, and contribution to the advancement of knowledge.**
- If you have not yet decided on a specific project, you must still provide a detailed description of a proposed research project. You may change your research direction or activities during the course of the award. Certain restrictions may apply. Refer to the Tri-Agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide.
- Include all relevant information in the outline. Do not refer reviewers to URLs or other publications for supplemental information.
- In the Outline of Proposed Research, provide the requested information according to the guidelines and format standards outlined in the Presentation Standards.



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## Scholarships

### **N SERC Doctoral Scholarships**

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#### **Outline of Proposed Research (one page – maximum)**

- Provide a detailed description of your proposed research project for the period during which you are to hold the award. Be as specific as possible. Provide background information **to position your proposed research** within the context of the current knowledge in the field. State the **significance of the proposed research** to a field or fields in the natural sciences and engineering (NSE). State the **objectives and hypothesis**, and **outline the experimental or theoretical approach** to be taken (citing literature pertinent to the proposal), and the **methods and procedures** to be used. You are encouraged to indicate how sex, gender and diversity considerations have been taken into account in your proposed research, when applicable. While this is not an evaluation criterion, accounting for sex, gender and diversity has the potential to make research more rigorous and more useful.
- You should not repeat the information found in the “Theses completed or in progress” section, but may refer to it.
- Include all relevant information in the outline. Do not refer members to URLs or other publications for supplemental information. Such additional information will not be reviewed by members.
- If the proposed research is a continuation of your thesis, clearly state the differences between work done for your thesis and the research activities outlined in this proposal.



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## Scholarships

### SSHRC Doctoral Scholarships

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#### Program of Study (maximum – 2 pages)

- Describe your proposed program of study in non-technical terms. Avoid jargon and acronyms and ensure that your proposal is written in clear, plain language easily understandable to a multidisciplinary committee.
- Ensure that your text includes the requirements listed under the appropriate category below, especially with respect to your thesis proposal.
  - Clearly state your current level of study (e.g., in the second year of doctoral studies, etc.).
  - Indicate what stage you are at in your thesis.
  - Provide the name of your doctoral studies supervisor, if known.
  - **Provide an outline of your thesis proposal, including, for example, the research question, context, objectives, methodology and contribution to the advancement of knowledge.**
  - Describe what you hope to accomplish during the award tenure, and what will remain to be done before you obtain your degree.
- If your proposed research is related to health or psychology, justify your submission of this proposal to SSHRC (rather than to the Canadian Institutes of Health Research or the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council), based on the guidelines for the eligibility of subject matter at SSHRC.



[http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/apply-demande/tips-astuces/doctoral\\_awards-bourses\\_de\\_doctorat-eng.aspx#a2](http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/apply-demande/tips-astuces/doctoral_awards-bourses_de_doctorat-eng.aspx#a2)

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### CIHR Doctoral Scholarships

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38887.html#t4>

#### Research proposal (maximum 1 page)

- Research Project Summary
  - The research project summary should be completed in collaboration with the proposed supervisor(s).
  - The research project summary should be written in general scientific language, which is an important skill to acquire for future success in the research environment as applications are being reviewed by multi-disciplinary committees.
  - Include the **specific hypothesis of the research** and describe the **applicant's role** on the project.
  - The research project summary is the most important part of the application. Applicants and their supervisor(s) should ensure that it provides a concise account of the subject matter, an overview of each part of the **research plan, specific project aims and the methodology**. The summary should reflect the **significance of the project**.



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## **How do build a research proposal?**

### **1. Research question**

- Goal of the research

### **2. Context/ literature review/ theoretical framework/ hypothesis**

- Positioning in regards to supervisor(s)

### **3. Methodology**

### **4. Contribution or significance**

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