

Graduate Scholarship Information

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Scholarships

Who – What – Where – When – Why

- **Students with a GPA of 8.0/10 (A-) and above**
- **Academic Merit Scholarships**
- **Via appropriate portals**
- **Substantial amounts – 15 000 \$ minimum for one year**

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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**

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Provincial Scholarships



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ONTARIO Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS)

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

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Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS)

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

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

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

May be held during the first 6 sessions (2 yrs) of a master's program or the first 15 sessions (5 yrs) of a PhD program.
(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.**
 - *Each university establishes their own deadlines*
 - *OGS awards are not transferable between universities or between faculties at UO*
 - *Individual faculties may establish additional requirements – read these sections carefully*
 - *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*
 - **You do not need to be a resident of Ontario**
- **Citizenship: be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, protected person (under subsection 95(2) of the Immigration and Refugee Protections Act (Canada)), temporary resident visa or student study permit at the time of the OGS application deadline.**

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Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS)

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

- **This link includes step by step instructions to complete your application**
- **You will need:**
 - Completed application form – where to access and submit?
 - Research proposal
 - Recommendation Request – choose 2 referees; ideally your supervisor should be one
 - 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 to complete the letter...follow up with them to ensure this has been completed – you can not submit without them
 - Transcripts – Obtain a PDF copy of your official transcript from uoZone (uOttawa transcripts)
 - All documents are scanned and uploaded or completed online

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Federal Scholarships



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Tri-Council Agencies

Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS - M)

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSM-BESCM_eng.asp

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of
Canada (**NSERC**)

Alexander Graham Bell CGS-M

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of
Canada (**SSHRC**)

Joseph-Armand Bombardier CGS-M

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (**CIHR**)

Frederic Banting and Charles Best CGS-M

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)

CIHR Ph.D. Foreign Study Awards

CGS – Doctoral	\$35,000* / yr (for 3 yrs)
Ph.D. Foreign Study Award	\$35,000* / yr (for 3 yrs)
CGS – Master's	\$17,500 for 12 months

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

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

Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship – Deadline: November 1, 2017

**Valued at \$50,000 per year for up to 3 years
Must be nominated by the university**

www.vanier.gc.ca

Trudeau Foundation Scholarship – Deadline: Fall 2017 (TBD)

Valued at \$40,000 per year for up to 3 years, plus \$20,000 travelling allowance, with option for 4th year (writing_or dissemination scholarship)

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

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

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, 2017

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
 - 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, 2017

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 a doctoral scholarship or fellowship from SSHRC, NSERC or CIHR to undertake or complete a doctoral degree or combined MA/PhD
- you must not hold, or have held, a CGS D, a Vanier CGS or a doctoral scholarship from NSERC, CIHR or SSHRC.

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Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - NSERC

CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO NSERC

Deadline: October 23, 2017

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 (if you have a degree in a field other than science or engineering, NSERC may accept your application at its discretion).
- 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
- Requirements for submission
 - Completed application form 201
(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

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Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - SSHRC

CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO SSHRC

Deadline: 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 31st 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
- Requirements for submission
 - Completed application form (<https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/faces/loginFellowships.jsp>) to create an account
 - This page also has an instruction infosheet for application completion
 - Two referees
 - Attachments
 - Program of Study
 - Biography and Citations
 - Transcripts
 - Letters of Appraisal

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Tri-Council Agencies – PhD Graduate Scholarships - CIHR

CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO CIHR

Deadline: October 3, 2017 (via

ResearchNet) <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.
- <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38887.html> - Instructions for application

Preparing the research proposal section of the application



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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.

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Tri-Council Agencies Scholarships – Evaluation Criteria

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 PhD
- As demonstrated by past academic results, transcripts, awards and distinctions.

- **Research ability or potential**
- Weighting: 30 % for Master and 50% for 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.

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Tri-Agency CGS-M Scholarships

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/ResearchPortal-PortailDeRecherche/Instructions-Instructions/CGS_M-BESC_M_eng.asp

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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N SERC Doctoral Scholarships

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/201/pgs-pdf_eng.asp#appinfo

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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SSHRC Doctoral Scholarships

http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/apply-demande/tips-astuces/doctoral_awards-bourses_de_doctorat-eng.aspx#a2

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.

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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**.

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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