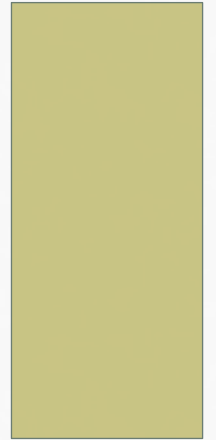


**Department of Geography  
2025-2026 Scholarship Season**

**UWO GRADUATE  
FELLOWSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS**



# EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

- There are a variety of opportunities for funding over and above what comes as "university funding" as outlined in your letter of offer
- The Province (OGS, OGSST) and federal Tri-council Agencies (CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC) provide very substantial and prestigious awards
- [grad.uwo.ca/finances/external\\_funding/index.html](http://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external_funding/index.html)

# CIHR

## CIHR DOCTORAL RESEARCH AWARDS - DFSA/CGSD

The CIHR Doctoral Research Awards Program funds applications in any area of health research. Two streams of scholarships are administered through a single application:

- The **Frederick Banting & Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarships-Doctoral Awards (CGS-D)** program provides special recognition and support to students who are pursuing a doctoral degree in a health-related field in Canada.
  - The **Frederick Banting & Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarships-Doctoral Program (CGSD)**: \$40,000 per year for 36 months
- The **Doctoral Foreign Study Awards (DFSA)** program provides special recognition and support to students who are pursuing a doctoral degree in a health-related field abroad.
  - The **Doctoral Foreign Study Awards (DFSA)**: \$40,000 per year for 36 months

Students apply to the CIHR Doctoral Awards program and top-ranked applicants are awarded a CGSD or DFSA depending on the proposed location where the doctoral degree will be pursued and granted.

**September 16-** electronic submission of proposal and/ or statement of interest to be sent to Lori Johnson at [ljohns24@uwo.ca](mailto:ljohns24@uwo.ca)

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSD-BESCD\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSD-BESCD_eng.asp)

- **October 1 (8:00 p.m. EDT) : ResearchNET Application Deadline for Western University**
- **April: Anticipated notice of decisions**

# NSERC

POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS AND CGS DOCTORAL AWARDS (PGS D/CGS D)

The [Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council \(NSERC\)](#) Doctoral Research Awards provide financial support to high-calibre scholars who are engaged in an eligible doctoral program in the natural sciences or engineering. This support allows these scholars to fully concentrate on their studies and seek out the best research mentors in their chosen fields. Two types of research training awards are available:

- **Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarships-Doctoral Program (CGSD):** \$40,000 per year for 36 months
- **NSERC Postgraduate Scholarships-Doctoral (PGSD):** \$40,000 per year for 36 months

Both provide financial support to high caliber scholars who are engaged in a doctoral program in the natural sciences or engineering:

**September 16-** electronic submission of proposal and/ or statement of interest to be sent to Lori Johnson at [ljohns24@uwo.ca](mailto:ljohns24@uwo.ca)

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSD-BESCD\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSD-BESCD_eng.asp)

- **October 1 (8:00 p.m. EDT) : ResearchNET Application Deadline for Western University**
- **April: Anticipated notice of decisions**

# SSHRC

FELLOWSHIPS AND CGS DOCTORAL AWARDS (DF/CGS D)

The [Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council \(SSHRC\)](#) Doctoral Research Awards fund research training awards that aim to develop research skills and assist in the training of highly qualified personnel by supporting students who demonstrate a high standard of scholarly achievement in graduate studies in the social sciences and humanities.

Successful applicants will win one of the following awards:

- **Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships-Doctoral Program (CGSD):** \$40,000 per year for 36 months
- **SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships:** \$40,000 per year for 12, 24, or 36

**September 16-** electronic submission of proposal and/ or statement of interest to be sent to Lori Johnson at [ljohns24@uwo.ca](mailto:ljohns24@uwo.ca)

[http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSD-BESCD\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSD-BESCD_eng.asp)

- **October 1 (8:00 p.m. EDT) : ResearchNET Application Deadline for Western University**
- **April: Anticipated notice of decisions**

# CANADA GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS- MASTER'S COMPETITION

- The objective of the **Canada Graduate Scholarships - Master's Program (CGSM)** is to help develop research skills and assist in the training of highly qualified personnel by supporting students who demonstrate a high standard of achievement in undergraduate and early graduate studies.

Successful applicants will win one of the following awards valued at \$27,000 for 12 months (non-renewable):

- **Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)** – Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarships
- **Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)** – Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarships
- **Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)** – Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships

**November 1-** electronic submission of proposal and/ or statement of interest to be sent to Lori Johnson at **[ljohns24@uwo.ca](mailto:ljohns24@uwo.ca)**

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

- **September: Online Application is available in the Research Portal**
- **December 1: Application Deadline (before 8:00 p.m. EST)**
- **December 2 - March 31: Western adjudicates awards**
- **April 1: SGPS posts results to the Research Portal**

# OGS

## GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Ontario government, in partnership with Ontario's publicly assisted universities, encourages excellence in graduate studies at the Master's and Doctoral levels through the awarding of [Ontario Graduate Scholarships \(OGS\)](#) and [Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarships in Science and Technology \(QEII-GSST\)](#).

OGS/QEII-GSST is a one-year, \$15,000 award (over three consecutive terms), that starts September 1, May 1, or January 1.

The Tri-Agency scholarship application is the means by which graduate students will be considered for the OGS/QEII-GSST. The results of the Tri-Agency scholarship competitions in April determine the OGS/QEII-GSST offers. To be considered for an OGS/QEII-GSST at Western, a domestic student must apply, and be eligible to apply for, the appropriate [Tri-Agency scholarship](#).

<https://osap.gov.on.ca/OSAPPortal/en/A-ZListofAid/PRDR019245.html>

- **Tri-Agency Scholarship Application Timelines:**
- **Master's Competition:** September 1- December 1
- **Doctoral Competition:** August 1 - October 1
- **May 1: Announcement of OGS/QEII-GSS**



# OTHERS

- Canada's Distinguished Dissertation Awards  
[https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external\\_funding/dda.html](https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external_funding/dda.html)
- MITACS Accelerate  
[https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external\\_funding/mitacs\\_accelerate.html](https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external_funding/mitacs_accelerate.html)
- Trudeau Doctoral Scholarships
  - Up to \$200,000[http://grad.uwo.ca/current\\_students/student\\_finances/trudeau.html](http://grad.uwo.ca/current_students/student_finances/trudeau.html)
- Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships (VCGS)
  - \$50,000 per year for three years[https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external\\_funding/vanier.html](https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external_funding/vanier.html)
- Governor General's Gold Medals  
[https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external\\_funding/governor\\_general.html](https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external_funding/governor_general.html)
- Government Support  
[https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external\\_funding/government/index.html](https://grad.uwo.ca/finances/external_funding/government/index.html)



# DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

- The Brian Luckman Award
  - **value: \$1800**
  - **deadline: May 1**
- The Micha and Nancy Pazner Fieldwork Award
  - **value: \$1000**
  - **deadline: May 1**
- The Allen K. Philbrick Scholarship in Cultural Geography
  - **value: \$1600**
  - **deadline: May 1**
- The Michael Troughton Bursary
  - **value: \$1500**
  - **deadline: May 1**
- The E. G. Pleva Graduate Teaching Assistant Award
  - **value: 2 at \$300**
- The Edward G. Pleva Fellowship
  - **value: 2 at up to \$1300**
- The Sumac Travel Award
  - **value: \$1800**
  - **Deadline: May 1**
- ESRI GIS Award (Faculty Award)
  - **value: in excess of \$2000**
  - **deadline: first Monday in March**
- Graduate Student Research Award
  - **value: \$750 (varies from year to year)**
  - **deadline: third Monday in March**
- Graduate Alumni Scholarships Competition
  - **value: \$3000 (varies from year to year)**
  - **deadline: first Monday in May**

# IMPORTANT WEB SITES

## GEOGRAPHY and ENVIRONMENT

- [http://geoenvironment.uwo.ca/graduate/awards\\_and\\_scholarships/index.html](http://geoenvironment.uwo.ca/graduate/awards_and_scholarships/index.html)

## SGPS

- [http://grad.uwo.ca/current\\_students/student\\_finances/funding\\_opportunities.html](http://grad.uwo.ca/current_students/student_finances/funding_opportunities.html)

## CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC - MASTERS

- [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)

## CIHR Doctoral Research Awards

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

## NSERC Postgraduate Scholarships and CGS Doctoral Scholarships Competition

- [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)

## SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships and CGS Doctoral Awards Competition

- <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca>

**GOOD LUCK!**

**GET STARTED ON YOUR APPLICATION!**

**Questions about your eligibility -see Lori**