

# Social Justice Education Department

## Scholarships and Awards Resource for Students

The SJE department encourages students to explore a wide range of financial support available, in the form of scholarships and merit-based awards.

### Overview:

- Completion Grants/Emergency Funding/Bursaries
- Internal OISE Awards: Available to registered Doctoral and Masters students
- External Awards: Available to registered Doctoral and Masters students
- International Student Awards (School of Graduate Studies)
- SGS Grants and Conference Travel Support: Outline for current students
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### Main Award Tools and Resources:

- SGS Awards Page: <https://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/awards-funding/>
- SGS Awards Explorer: <https://awardexplorer.utoronto.ca/>
- OISE Tuition and Financial Support:  
[https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/oise/Tuition\\_and\\_Financial\\_Support/index.html](https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/oise/Tuition_and_Financial_Support/index.html)
- SJE Award Deadline Spreadsheet : [https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/sje/Student\\_Resources/index.html](https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/sje/Student_Resources/index.html)

## Completion Grants/Emergency Funding/Bursaries

During the academic year, a student who has received a student loan for the academic year may apply to the School of Graduate Students for a Completion Grant/Emergency Funding on the basis of issues that are unforeseen. Students apply directly to the School of Graduate Studies. The University requires that students, before registering, have established an ability to pay for their school expenses in terms of tuition, accommodation, food, travel and clothing, as examples. Bursaries or emergency funding's are limited funds that are available to students who experience need as a result of sudden and unforeseen circumstances that could prevent completion of their educational programs.

## Internal OISE Awards:

University-wide awards made possible through the generous support of numerous donors. Find below a list of awards especially offered to students from OISE. To find out further details about application procedures visit the School of Graduate Studies.

## OISE Bursary:

The OISE Bursary Program provides financial assistance to full-time OISE students who demonstrate financial need. The bursary is non-repayable and intended to assist you in financing your education.

At the present time, the Office of the Registrar and Student Services (ORSS) is offering digital service to students. Please email us at [studentservices.oise@utoronto.ca](mailto:studentservices.oise@utoronto.ca) or call our office at the appropriate phone number listed here and we will be more than happy to serve you. If you need to meet with a member of the ORSS, we ask that you call or email us to request a virtual appointment.

Students may apply for the OISE Bursary once per session as follows: Master's students and doctoral students: fall and winter session only. For further details visit the [website](#).

#### Faculty-wide Internal Awards Descriptions: [website](#)

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**Alexandra & Leonid Semeniuk Award:** This award was established to provide financial assistance to a graduate student in financial need who has an area of interest in either of the following fields: Feminist Education Studies, English, or Teacher Development. Preference will be given to a student in, but not necessarily confined to, the Department of Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning.

**Azim Premji Foundation Fellowship:** To be awarded on the basis of academic merit to:(a) an OISE PhD student who wishes to conduct research in India or (b) a Doctoral student enrolled in an Indian University who is registered at OISE as a full or part-time special student.

**Burstow Scholarship for Research into Antisemitism:** This scholarship was established by Bonnie Burstow (1945-2020), Associate Professor in the Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education at OISE.

It will be awarded annually to an incoming or current OISE graduate student who is registered full-time or part-time and conducting research into antisemitism. First preference will go to an OISE thesis student whose thesis is focused on antisemitism. Consideration will also be given to OISE students who have completed a term paper or any other major research paper on antisemitism and to OISE thesis students who have used antisemitism to understand another oppression.

**Christopher Parker Memorial Fund:** The fund was established through a foundation at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education to provide a one-time grant to support full-time graduate students with disabilities to enable them to continue their studies when financial emergencies occur. Under the terms of the fund, preference is given, but not limited to, students with hearing impairments. Applications will be considered as they are received

**Doctoral Completion Award (DCA):** The aim of the Doctoral Completion Award (DCA) is to provide support to full-time PhD students for the two years after their graduate funding ends and within the time-limit for the degree. Details and deadline information can be found on [OISE's DCA page](#).

**Dr. Bonnie Burstow Scholarship in Antipsychiatry:** This scholarship was established by Bonnie Burstow (1945-2020), Associate Professor in the Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education at OISE. It will be awarded annually to support a student doing a thesis in the area of antipsychiatry. This scholarship is made on the basis of academic merit and is open to Masters and Doctoral students in any OISE Department. Preference will be given to students who have an approved thesis proposal.

**Hetty C. Chu Memorial Fellowship:** This Fellowship has been established for a full-time OISE student with demonstrated potential and promise of service to the educational or related fields. A candidate must: a) be a resident of Canada, preferably of Ontario, 25 years of age or over; b) hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited

university and be acceptable under OISE's admission policy; c) be in a full-time paid employment for at least two continuous years prior to enrolment at OISE; and d) be in need of financial assistance.

**OISE Scholarship Program for Indigenous Students:** The OISE Scholarship Program for Indigenous Students includes two scholarships of \$7,500 awarded annually to Indigenous students who are registered on a full-time basis in a graduate degree program at OISE. One scholarship will be awarded to an Indigenous student in a Doctoral program and one to an Indigenous student in a Masters program. This award is open to all Indigenous candidates at OISE (First Nations, Métis, Inuit and Indigenous Peoples from outside of Canada) with preference given to applicants who have not previously been awarded this scholarship. The recipient will be selected on the basis of academic merit and previous and intended contributions to their community.

**Indigenous Students Bursary Fund:** This emergency bursary is open to all full-time Indigenous candidates (First Nations, Métis, Inuit and Indigenous Peoples from outside of Canada). Indigenous students in need of funds due to an emergency situation should write a letter outlining their emergency needs and send it to [ien@utoronto.ca](mailto:ien@utoronto.ca). Decisions will be made on an ongoing basis, as requests are received.

**Keith A. McLeod Bursary:** Keith A. McLeod, a professor of education at the University of Toronto for over 25 years, established this award to support to a student or students whose studies: Focus on culturally oriented community organizations and their educational endeavors, or who are studying the educational roles of libraries, museums, galleries, conservatories, or voluntary associations examine the cultural context of a school community or educational communities; examining how schools, museums, libraries and/or similar community institutions or programs reflect or provide for ethno cultural diversity or multiculturalism, antiracism, human rights, and equity, or Canadian culture. Adjudication of the applications will be based upon how well the above criteria are reflected in the proposal and on the following: clarity of the intent and focus; coherence of the proposal; relevance and applicability; originality and creativity; contribution to the state of knowledge and practice; evidence of theoretical content and analysis; and feasibility. Recipients must be registered students in good standing and must have a demonstrated financial need pursuant to the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Funds (OSOTF) requirements. OSOTF awards are restricted to Ontario residents.

**Margaret I. Hambly Memorial Scholarship:** The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education established the Margaret I. Hambly Fund in memory of the Institute's first Registrar. The fund is intended primarily for persons over thirty-five years of age who are residents of Canada and who are returning to continue their studies after being out of the work force for a number of years. The fellowship has a value equivalent to the annual income to a maximum of \$800. Criteria for the award will be firstly, demonstrated potential and promise of service to the educational community and, secondly, financial need.

**Mary Stager Graduate Student Award:** To be awarded to a graduate student enrolled in a program in OISE/UT with a focus on urban schooling. In making the selection the following criteria will be taken into account: financial need, demonstrated commitment to/accomplishment in education in urban schools, and the potential impact of the student's research on urban education. The winner is chosen from students nominated by faculty in the Fall session.

**OISE Alumni Association Doctoral Fellowship** The Fellowship has been established for full-time doctoral students at OISE who have contributed to the OISE Alumni Association through volunteer activities. A candidate must: a) be enrolled in a full-time doctoral program at OISE; b) have successfully completed his/her coursework and comprehensive examinations; c) have had his/her dissertation proposal completed and accepted by the

candidate's department and the ethical review committee; d) have contributed to the OISE Alumni Association through volunteer activities; e) not be a member of the OISE Alumni Association Executive Board in the year that the Fellowship is awarded; and f) have financial need.

**OISE Scholarship Recognition Award:** The Scholarship Recognition Award is awarded to PhD students who have held major external scholarships (equal or greater than \$15,000) for all or most of their time in the Funded Cohort. The Scholarship is awarded in the year following the end of their funded cohort status. Students who are eligible for the Scholarship Recognition Award will be notified by the Graduate Funding Office.

**Wilfred Rusk Wees Fellowship:** To qualify for consideration the applicant must read Dr. Wees' doctoral thesis entitled "The Effect of the Form of Presentation on the Form of Reproduction of Prose Passages" and submit a 2,500 word essay on the thesis. The thesis is available from both the OISE Library and Robart's Library. The fellowship is awarded on the basis of academic merit, financial need, and the quality of the essay. The Fellowship has a maximum value of \$1,500 per academic year. OISE is an educational and research institution providing leadership and resources to Ontario's and Canada's diverse communities. As a higher education facility, OISE welcomes scholarly local and international exchange and contributes to the free and inclusive interactions of a multiplicity of national, religious, and ethnic perspectives. OISE not only reaffirms its commitment to unfettered scholarship, but also reaffirms its commitment to combat all forms of discrimination. In keeping with these objectives, applicants for the Wees scholarship are encouraged to attend to the sociological and historical contexts in which Dr. Wees' thesis was submitted and accepted by the University of Toronto in the 1930's. Applicants are also encouraged to submit scholarship applications that consider the implications of racism in education, should this aspect of the thesis prove of interest to the competitors.

**William G. Davis Golden Anniversary Leadership Scholarship:** OISE is offering scholarships to promote excellence in teaching in the urban classroom. The successful candidates will be experienced teachers entering a full-time master's program with an interest in questions of social justice and school success for students from economically disadvantaged neighborhoods attending underperforming schools. In addition to the requirements set out by the graduate program, the successful scholarship recipients will be invited to join the Centre for Urban Schooling and participate in the wide variety of activities related to research, professional development, and advocacy and teacher education promoted by the Centre over the course of the year.

**William Pakenham Fellowship:** This award was established through a bequest of the late William Pakenham, who was the University of Toronto's first Dean of Education from 1907 – 1934. One or more awards of \$5,000 will be made to a full-time student enrolled in a graduate program in education who is an Ontario resident and holds a bachelor's degree and a teaching certificate valid in a Canadian province. This award is open to both new and continuing OISE graduate students who will register in September 2020 and who satisfy these conditions.

Award Title	Degree Type			Citizenship		Application Announcement	Submission Period	Students Submit To:
	Masters	Doctoral	Post Doc	Domestic	International			
Alexandra & Leonid Semeniuk Award	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	Currently open	December	Registrar and Student services
Azim Premji Foundation Fellowship	--	✓	---	✓	✓	March	June	Registrar and Student services
Burston Scholarship for Research into Anti-Semitism	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	---	October	Registrar and Student services
Christopher Parker Memorial Fund (Students with disabilities)	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	---	As received	Registrar and Student services
Doctoral Completion Award (DCA)	---	✓	---	✓	✓	---	May	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
Dr. Bonnie Burston Scholarship in Antipsychiatry	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	January	March	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
Hetty C. Chu Memorial Fellowship	✓	---	---	✓	---	January	March	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
OISE Scholarship Program for Indigenous Students	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	February	April	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
Indigenous Students Bursary Fund	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	---	----	ien@utoronto.ca
Keith A. McLeod Bursary	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	March	June	Registrar and Student services
Margaret I. Hambly Memorial Scholarship	✓	✓	---	✓	---	January	March	Registrar and Student services
Mary Stager Graduate Student Award	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	---	---	No Application Required
OISE Alumni Association Doctoral Fellowship	---	✓	---	✓	✓	January	March	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
OISE Scholarship Recognition Award	---	✓	---	✓	✓	---	----	Registrar and Student services
Wilfred Rusk Wees Fellowship	---	✓	---	✓	✓	Currently Open	January	Registrar and Student services
William G. Davis Golden Anniversary Leadership Scholarship	---	✓	---	✓	✓	---	October	Registrar and Student services
William Waters Scholarship in Urban Education	✓	---	---	✓	✓	Currently Open	December	Registrar and Student services
William Pakenham Fellowship	✓	---	---	✓	---	Currently Open	March	Registrar and Student services

**SJE Internal Awards Description:**

**Diversity and Feminism in Research Graduate Award:** To be awarded to one or more students in the Department of Social Education to attend scholarly conferences related to their research in diversity and/or women’s studies in education, scheduled on or before August 1, 2019. Preference will be given to non-funded students on the basis of financial need. Secondary preference will be given to first time applicants. Applicants must be registered students in good academic standing during the current academic year (both at the time of application and at the time of the conference) and must have a demonstrated financial need based on the University’s criteria. At the discretion of the Awards Committee, the value of each award will vary depending on endowment income and the number of recipients. The estimated value of the Award for 2019 is approximately \$500 CAD. Awarded funding can only be used for the conference listed on application, which must be scheduled on or before August 1, 2019. Funding cannot be transferred to another conference. Conference registration fees, transportation and accommodation costs are eligible for reimbursement. Meals are not eligible for reimbursement. Proof of attendance (e.g. attendance tag), original receipts (accommodation & transportation) and boarding passes will be required. Students are encouraged to pursue additional sources of funding.

**Mary O'Brien Graduate Student Fellowship:** The bursary is given to a graduate student on the basis of financial need who is enrolled in the Department of Social Justice Education with an ability in women's studies. The student should best exemplify Mary O'Brien's critical approach to social enquiry. The recipient must qualify as an Ontario resident.

**Mary Smith Memorial Bursary:** The bursary is given to one or more OISE students to assist in the completion and production of his/her/their doctoral thesis(es). The eligible student should have been registered initially as an international student from a developing country. The award will be based on financial need and preference will be given to students enrolled in the Department of Social Justice Education.

**Muriel & Danny Fung Graduate Scholarship:** The purpose of this award is to give support to students enrolled in graduate studies in the Department of Social Justice Education at OISE, University of Toronto. Priority consideration is given to students who are not eligible to receive the University of Toronto’s Graduate Funding Package. Specifically, the Muriel and Danny Fung Graduate Award will be awarded annually to a student who is registered full time in the second year or later year of their program and who's academic and community work promote racial equality and social justice.

Award Title	Degree Type			Citizenship		Application Announcement	Submission Period	Students Submit To:
	Masters	Doctoral	Post Doc	Domestic	International			
Diversity and Feminism in Research Graduate Award	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	March	June	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
Mary O'Brien Graduate Student Fellowship	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	---	October	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
Mary Smith Memorial Bursary	---	✓	---	---	✓	---	October	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
Muriel & Danny Fung Graduate Scholarship	---	✓	---	✓	✓	March	June	Department Graduate Liaison Officer

## External Awards:

Awards made possible through the generous support of numerous donors outside the university.

**Autism Scholars Award:** The Autism Scholars Awards Program was established with the support of the Ministry of Colleges and Universities (MCU) to ensure that Ontario attracts and retains pre-eminent scholars studying autism. The Autism Scholars Awards Program aims to establish a research community that meets or exceeds internationally accepted standards of scientific excellence, in the creation of new knowledge concerning child autism, and its translation into improved health for children through more effective services and products for children with autism, and thereby adds to the province's capacity in diagnosis and assessment of autism and the quality of its treatment system. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Program:** The Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Program is intended to attract and retain top-tier postdoctoral talent, both nationally and internationally; develop their leadership potential; and 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. Seventy fellowships are awarded annually, divided evenly between Canada's three federal granting agencies (CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC). There are a total of 140 awards active at any one time. The Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program is unique in its emphasis on the synergy of research goals and projects between the following: applicant—individual merit and potential to launch a successful research-intensive career host institution—commitment to the research program and alignment with the institution's strategic priorities

**Connaught International Scholarship:** The Connaught International Scholarship for Doctoral Students is a cost-sharing initiative designed to assist graduate units in recruiting and supporting top international students by providing a top-up scholarship to each recipient, which will be paid in addition to the program's normal funding package provided by the graduate unit. For more details visit the [website](#).

**CGS Master's Awards (CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC):** The objective of the [Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's \(CGS M\)](#) Program 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. The Tri-council allocates CGS M awards to universities specifying the number of awards that each may offer to their students annually. CGS M awards can only be offered to students pursuing graduate studies at eligible Canadian universities, and the award must be held at the university that has made the offer. For more details visit the [website](#).

**CIHR Doctoral Awards:** As the Government of Canada's health research investment agency, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) supports excellence across all four pillars of health research: biomedical; clinical; health systems services; and population health. As stated in the CIHR Act, CIHR's mandate is to "excel, according to internationally accepted standards of scientific excellence, in the creation of new knowledge and its translation into improved health for Canadians, more effective health services and products and a strengthened Canadian health care system." For more details visit the [website](#).

**Delta Kappa Gama World Fellowship:** The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honorary society of 100,000 key women educators in 17 countries that promotes the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. The World Fellowship Fund was established to provide opportunities for international women to pursue graduate studies in Canada and the United States. For further details visit the [website](#).

**John Charles Polanyi Prizes:** To honour the achievement of John Charles Polanyi, recipient of the 1986 Nobel Prize in Chemistry, the Ontario Government established a fund to provide John Charles Polanyi Prizes annually to up to five outstanding researchers or scholars who are in the early stages of their career and at Ontario universities. The prizes, each which is valued at \$20,000, will be conferred in the fall of 2021. They are available in the areas of Physics, Chemistry, Physiology or Medicine, Literature, and Economic Science, broadly defined. The John Charles Polanyi Prize is a prestigious award and The University of Toronto is well represented on the list of prize winners. It is our aim to remain successful in this competition and we continue to encourage graduate units to nominate their strongest, eligible candidates. For further details visit the [website](#).

**Mackenzie King Scholarship:** Two types of Mackenzie King Scholarships were established to support graduates of Canadian universities who are pursuing graduate studies. U of T is permitted to nominate two (2) candidates from each category to the national competition.

- ✚ The Travelling Scholarship is awarded to applicants who have a degree from a Canadian university and are pursuing graduate studies in the areas of international or industrial relations within the United States or the United Kingdom. The Mackenzie King Board receives about 25 nominations annually for four scholarships, each of approximately \$10,500 (number of recipients and value are subject to change).
- ✚ The Open Scholarship is awarded to an applicant who has a degree from a Canadian university and is pursuing graduate studies in any discipline, within Canada or elsewhere. The Mackenzie King Board receives approximately 90 nominations annually from all universities to award one scholarship of approximately \$8,500 (value is subject to change). For more details visit the [website](#).

**Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program:** The University of Toronto Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship program provides funding to Graduate Faculties to increase opportunities for hiring postdoctoral fellows from underrepresented groups, specifically Indigenous and Black researchers. These fellowships will enable postdoctoral researchers to grow their scholarly profiles, undertake academic work at the University of Toronto, and strengthen the research environment at the University with diverse perspectives. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Ontario Graduate Scholarships:** The Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) program encourages excellence in graduate studies at publicly-assisted universities in Ontario. Since 1975, the OGS program has been providing merit-based scholarships to Ontario's best graduate students in all disciplines of academic study. The scholarship program at U of T is jointly funded by the Province of Ontario and the University of Toronto. The Province allocates OGS awards to universities specifying the number of awards that each may offer to their students annually. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Ontario Women's Health Scholars Award:** The Ontario Women's Health Scholars Award is administered by the Council of Ontario Universities (COU) on behalf of Ontario government ministries. It is open to master's students, doctoral students, and postdoctoral fellows. Funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, a Scholar Awards Program in Women's Health has been established to ensure that Ontario attracts and retains pre-eminent women's health scholars. The community of women's health scholars fostered by this awards program will excel, according to internationally accepted standards of scientific excellence, in the creation of new knowledge about women's health and its translation into improved health for women, more effective health services and products for women, and a strengthened health care system. For more details visit the [website](#).

**SSHRC Doctoral Awards:** 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). The program aims to promote continued excellence in Canadian research by rewarding and retaining high-calibre doctoral students at Canadian institutions. By providing support for a high-quality research training experience to awardees, the CGS D program strives to foster impacts within and beyond the research environment. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Trudeau Doctoral Scholarship:** This three-year leadership program is designed to train Engaged Leaders, equipping outstanding doctoral candidates with the skills to translate their ideas into action, for the betterment of their communities, Canada, and the world. Up to twenty (20) doctoral Scholars are selected each year and receive generous funding for their studies in addition to leadership training. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Vanier CGS (CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC):** The Vanier CGS program 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 in social sciences and humanities, natural sciences and engineering, and health. The Vanier CGS program strongly encourages candidates to pursue their studies beyond the university that granted their previous degree(s). For more details visit the [website](#).

Award Title	Degree Type			Citizenship		Application Announcement	Submission Period	Students Submit To:
	Masters	Doctoral	Post Doc	Domestic	International			
Autism Scholars Award	✓	✓	---	✓	---	Fall	December	<a href="mailto:stacey.m.kwan@utoronto.ca">stacey.m.kwan@utoronto.ca</a>
Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Program	---	---	✓	✓	✓	Summer	---	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
Connaught International Scholarship	---	✓	---	---	✓	Winter	---	Department Graduate Liaison Officer
CGS Master's Awards (CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC)	✓	✓	---	✓	---	Fall	December	<a href="#">NSERC's website</a>
CIHR Doctoral Awards	---	✓	---	✓	---	---	---	<a href="https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38887.html">https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38887.html</a>
Delta Kappa Gama World Fellowship	✓	✓	---	---	✓	Fall	December	<a href="mailto:tara.lock@utoronto.ca">tara.lock@utoronto.ca</a>
John Charles Polanyi Prizes	---	---	✓	✓	✓	Fall	December	<a href="mailto:SeniorDirectorQA@cou.ca">SeniorDirectorQA@cou.ca</a>
Mackenzie King Scholarship	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	Winter	January	Graduate Awards Office
Ontario Graduate Scholarships	✓	✓	---	✓	✓	Fall, Winter, Summer	June	<a href="mailto:ogs@utoronto.ca">ogs@utoronto.ca</a>
Ontario Women's Health Scholars Award	✓	✓	---	✓	---	Fall	December	School of Graduate Studies
Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program	---	---	✓	✓	✓	Winter	May	School of Graduate Studies
SSHRC Doctoral Awards	---	✓	---	✓	---	Fall	---	School of Graduate Studies
Trudeau Doctoral Scholarship	---	✓	---	✓	✓	Fall/Winter	---	School of Graduate Studies

Vanier CGS (CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC)	---	✓	---	✓	✓	Fall	September	School of Graduate Studies
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### Other External Scholarships:

**AUCC:** The program is managed by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) and grants \$6,500 awards to Canadian youth who are engaged in credited internships in developing countries that focus on the themes of food security, children and youth, and sustainable economic development. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Canada-US Fulbright Scholarship:** The Canada-U.S. Fulbright Program operates on the principle of reciprocal exchange and provides the opportunity for outstanding Canadian students to study and/or conduct research in the United States. Award recipients include Canadian citizens who are graduate students, prospective graduate students, or junior professionals. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) Fellowships and Awards:** CFUW's Fellowship and Award winners have produced work in a variety of academic areas, including international humanitarian efforts, feminist and gender analysis, advanced science, medicine, social justice and human rights for women and girls. For more details visit the [website](#).

**FinAid!** Generally, scholarships and fellowships are reserved for students with special qualifications, such as academic, athletic or artistic talent. Awards are also available for students who are interested in particular fields of study, who are members of underrepresented groups, who live in certain areas of the country or who demonstrate financial need. For more details visit the [website](#).

**International Council for Canadian Studies Graduate Student Scholarships:** To facilitate the renewal of the community of Canadianists by supporting the work of young scholars, by enabling successful candidates to spend 4-6 weeks at a Canadian university or research site other than their own doing research related to their thesis or dissertation in the field of Canadian Studies. For more details visit the [website](#).

**Mennonite Central Committee Canada (Canadian Japanese Mennonite Scholarship):** Mennonite Central Committee wants to support students who are studying and researching the issues that we care about. When you learn about international development, conflict transformation or human rights it means there are more people who are working to make our world a better place. For more details visit the [website](#).

### External Awards for Teacher Education Students

**Black Business and Professional Association (BBPA) National Scholarship Fund:** The BBPA National Scholarship Fund is a national scholarship program and dedicated to supporting and promoting the achievement of academic excellence by Black Canadian youth through an annual scholarship program. The Fund receives financial donations from corporations and individuals that share its mission. The application form does not ask you to target your candidacy to a specific scholarship. Judges will assess your application against scholarships with donor determined criteria. You will be considered for all scholarships for which your candidacy makes you eligible. *Deadline for applications is typically June 30th of each year.* Scholarships and applications are posted on the [BBPA National Scholarship Fund's website](#).

**Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario's (ETFO) Scholarships & Awards:** ETFO offers financial support to members and others for: doctoral and master's scholarships and bursaries for men and women; bursaries for members of designated groups and Aboriginal education; and bursaries for sons and daughters of ETFO members. Awards applicable to teacher education students include:

**ETFO Bursaries For Sons and Daughters of Members (\$500) :** Bursaries are offered annually to a son or daughter of an active member entering a faculty of education at a publicly funded university/institution. Up to twelve bursaries and a certificate of recognition may be granted.

**ETFO Faculty of Education Awards (\$500):** ETFO offers the Faculty of Education Award to a student at a faculty or school of education. The award recognizes students in their final year of teacher training at a publicly funded university/institution in Ontario. ETFO awards up to 17 awards with accompanying certificates of recognition. Some ETFO awards require a nomination. The deadline for awards nominations is February 1st of each year and award categories are posted by October of each year. Otherwise, the deadline for applications is typically April 30th of each year. Additional information is available on the [ETFO Awards & Scholarships website](#)

**Mico Alumni Association (Toronto Chapter) Scholarship Awards:** The Scholarship Awards Program was established in 2003, to support student teachers in Ontario who have an interest in teaching urban schools that either have a high concentration of students who are of Jamaican ancestry, or have a high concentration for black students. For more information on this award and please click [here](#).

**The Retired Teachers of Ontario Sholarship Program (\$1,000):** Each year the RTO/ERO awards up to 25 individual scholarships to assist the relative of a member who is enrolled in the final year of either an approved program that will directly lead to a career in teaching in Canada or who are in a Canadian publicly-funded or not-for-profit college/university. Additional Information is available on the [RTO/ERO website](#).

#### [International Student Awards:](#)

To assist graduate units in recruiting and supporting top international students by providing a top-up scholarship to each recipient.

**[Adel S. Sedra Distinguished Graduate Award:](#)** In honour of the significant contributions made by Professor Adel S. Sedra, former U of T Vice President and Provost, the University of Toronto Alumni Association (UTAA) has established this award to recognize a doctoral student who demonstrates outstanding academic achievement and extracurricular leadership. One fellowship of up to \$25,000 is awarded annually. If the recipient is an international student, the award is increased to fund any tuition differential and individual University Health Insurance Plan premium.

**[Apple Scholars in AI/ML:](#)** The Apple Scholars in AI/ML Program was created to recognize and support PhD students in Computer Science and related areas who are pursuing research in artificial intelligence and machine learning, with a unique focus on work that is related to Apple's core values. Nominations are only reviewed from invited institutions. Read about the first cohort of Apple Scholars [here](#).

**[CAGS/ProQuest-UMI Distinguished Dissertation Awards & John Leyerle-CIFAR Prize for Interdisciplinary Research:](#)** The CAGS/ProQuest-UMI and Leyerle-CIFAR awards both recognize Canadian doctoral dissertations that make unusually significant and original contributions to their academic field. The CAGS/ProQuest-UMI Distinguished Dissertation Awards annually present two awards: one for engineering, medical sciences and natural sciences; and one for fine arts, humanities and social sciences. The Awards are granted by the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies (CAGS) and are sponsored by ProQuest-UMI (University Microfilms International).

[The John Leyerle-CIFAR Prize for Interdisciplinary Research](#) was established to honour John Leyerle, the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies in the late 1970's, who played an instrumental role in founding the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research ([CIFAR](#)) in 1978. This prize recognizes an excellent student who is clearly performing outstanding interdisciplinary research.

[China Scholarship Council: Scholarships](#): In partnership with the University of Toronto (U of T), the China Scholarship Council (CSC) offers scholarships to outstanding Chinese students who will pursue doctoral or postdoctoral studies at U of T under the established collaborative program: China Scholarship Council – University of Toronto Joint Funding Program. The CSC aims to fund in its annual competition: 20 Chinese students for U of T's PhD program for up to 48 months, 20 Chinese visiting PhD students at U of T, for up to 24 months, 10 postdoctoral fellows for up to 24 months, 10 visiting scholars for up to 12 months. For the 2019-20 academic year, CSC received 12 applications for U of T, of which 6 were successful. The average U of T success rate for receiving a CSC has been approx. 50%. Successful applicants typically have excellent grades and one or more publications.

[Google PhD Fellowship](#): The Google PhD Fellowship Program recognizes outstanding graduate students doing exceptional and innovative research in areas relevant to computer science and related fields. Fellowships support promising PhD candidates of all backgrounds who seek to influence the future of technology. Google's mission is to foster inclusive research communities and encourages people of diverse backgrounds to apply.

[Governor General's Gold Medals](#): [The Office of the Governor General](#) annually awards Gold Academic Medals to students who achieve the highest academic standing at the graduate level. The assessment of highest academic standing includes an examination of the following: Academic performance in degree courses (first class average); Evaluation of the thesis and the thesis defense; and Originality and significance of the research. Three (3) gold medals are available at the University of Toronto. One medal will be awarded to a candidate from Division I or II; one medal will be awarded to a candidate from Division III or IV; the third medal will be awarded to an outstanding candidate from any division. The medals will be presented at the Governor General's Gold Medal reception ceremony in the spring, to which all nominees will be invited. Recipients will receive a Gold Academic Medal and personalized certificate signed by the [Governor General of Canada](#)

[Iranian Student Memorial Scholarship – 2020 Graduate Application](#): The University of Toronto has established the [Iranian Student Memorial Scholarship Fund](#) in honour of those who lost their lives in the crash of Ukrainian International Airlines Flight PS752, including eight members of the University of Toronto community. This endowed fund will provide needs-based awards to international undergraduate and graduate students from Iran who have been admitted to the U of T or students from any background studying Iranian studies at the U of T. The first of these needs-based awards to be awarded in Spring 2020 for students studying at the U of T in the 2020-21 academic year.

[Latin American Scholarship Programs \(CALDO\)](#): Today, U of T is home to approximately 650 students from Latin America, many of whom are graduates of the region's leading universities. International PhD students in most programs at U of T are charged the same tuition fees as our domestic students. To further attract and support Latin America's best and brightest students, U of T has established a number of scholarship agreements with government agencies and foundations in Canada and Latin America.

[NAGS Master's Thesis and Doctoral Dissertation Awards](#): The [Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools \(NAGS\)](#) annually recognizes one outstanding master's thesis and one outstanding doctoral dissertation at one of its member institutions. Each institution may nominate one candidate per category.

[Ontario Trillium Scholarship](#): The Ontario Trillium Scholarship (OTS) program is a provincially-funded initiative to attract top international students to Ontario for PhD studies with Ontario universities. Using a 2/3 to 1/3

government to institution ratio, approximately 15 Ontario Trillium Scholarships for PhD students had been awarded annually at the University of Toronto. **Please note:** Funding support for new Ontario Trillium Scholarship offers is currently suspended. Existing award holders will continue to receive the balance of their renewable scholarship.

**[Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Doctoral Scholarships](#):** This three-year leadership program is designed to train Engaged Leaders, equipping outstanding doctoral candidates with the skills to translate their ideas into action, for the betterment of their communities, Canada, and the world. Up to twenty (20) doctoral Scholars are selected each year and receive generous funding for their studies in addition to leadership training.

**[Schmidt Science Fellows Award](#):** The [Schmidt Science Fellows](#) program is supported and funded by the Eric and Wendy Schmidt Strategic Fund for Innovation, in partnership with the Rhodes Trust and supported by many of the world's leading scientific thinkers and institutions. The Schmidt Science Fellows program aims to develop the next generation of science leaders to transcend disciplines, advance discovery, and solve the world's most pressing problems. Fellows engage and co-produce with diverse thinkers in science, politics, society, and business to catalyse new ideas and connections. The Fellowship year is the beginning of their membership to a lifelong community of Schmidt Science Fellows, their partners and supporters, all of whom are committed to furthering interdisciplinary science to achieve greater global impact. For the 2021 cohort selection process, the Program is inviting nominations from approx. 100 leading science, technology, and engineering institutions around the world; the University of Toronto may nominate nine candidates.

**[Scholars-at-Risk Fellowship](#):** Established with initial funding from the Donner Canadian Foundation, the School of Graduate Studies and Massey College provide this Fellowship, on an annual basis, as an established mechanism through which the University of Toronto is able to support eligible candidates who meet the criteria listed below. The Fellowship offers financial support for academic endeavours and the opportunity to participate in the Massey College community.

**[Study in Canada Scholarship](#):** The Study in Canada Scholarships program aims to increase opportunities for post-secondary institutions across Canada to welcome international students from around the world. The academic placement must be carried out on a full-time basis at a recognized Canadian post-secondary institution located in Canada. The Study in Canada Scholarships program is open to students from all academic disciplines, for programs of up to two years in duration at the post-secondary level leading to a diploma, post-secondary or post-graduate certificate, or Master's degree at a college, technical or vocational institute or university in Canada. To be considered for a scholarship, candidate students must first apply for admission to an academic program at a Canadian post-secondary institution.

**[Three Minute Thesis Competition](#):** This competition is a unique opportunity for graduate students to showcase their innovative and significant research to a wider audience, across disciplines within the University, and to the broader public. It is open to the public and advertised within the community. Canada 3MT Competition. The 3MT Canadian champion will be chosen from 11 finalists from three regional competitions. Both master's and doctoral-level students are eligible. For more information, visit the Canada 3MT website.

### **[SGS Awards and Conference Travel Support](#)**

**[SGS Accessibility Grant](#):** The SGS Accessibility Grant supports significant educational expenses not normally covered by the student, the graduate unit, provincial, or federal agencies. We recognize that each student's situation is unique and funding will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. The grant was established to assist with accommodations necessary to meet unexpected needs arising from the particular demands of the graduate program.

**SGS Emergency Grant:** The SGS Emergency Grant program aims to assist registered, full-time graduate students who have encountered an unforeseen, urgent, and/or serious financial emergency during the course of their program. The Emergency Grant is not intended to replace or make up a shortfall in OSAP, other funding sources or serve as routine or long-term support, but aims to provide short term, immediate relief during an unexpected financial crisis in what was otherwise a solid financial plan. Students submitting an SGS Emergency Grant are expected to meet with a member of the SGS Financial Advising Team to review the application.

**SGS Emergency Loan:** The SGS Emergency Loan alleviates temporary cash flow problems for students who are expecting the release of funds in the near future (i.e., 30 to 120 days) from employment, a major award instalment, OSAP (Ontario Students’ Assistance Program), teaching assistantship, or research assistantship payment, etc.

**SGS Research Travel Grant:** The SGS Research Travel Grant provides modest financial support to eligible students who are registered in the Humanities or Social Sciences, in order to pursue research travel that is necessary for the final stages of their PhD or SJD program. This grant aims to provide successful applicants with supplemental funding as applicants are expected to seek support from various other sources in order to support their proposed travel expenses. Funding for this competition is supported by the School of Graduate Studies Travel Grant, the Faculty of Arts and Science, the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), The Associates of the University of Toronto Travel Award, and The Edward W. Nuffield Graduate Travel Fellowship.

**SGS Sponsorship Fund:** The SGS Sponsorship Fund supports two types of initiatives designed, led, and attended by graduate students and/or postdoctoral fellows at U of T: (a) the SGS Events Fund and (b) the SGS Innovation in Graduate Professional Development Fund.

**SGS Summer Gym Bursary:** With an aim to foster holistic health and wellness of graduate students, the SGS Summer Gym Bursary offers students a reimbursement for up to 100% of their on-campus summer athletic membership fees. The SGS Summer Gym Bursary is open to registered professional and research stream graduate students. Participating facilities include [Hart House Fitness Centre and Kinesiology & Physical Education \(KPE\)](#) athletic facilities.

**SGS Conference Travel Support:**

The **SGS Conference Grant** provides financial support to encourage eligible students to actively present their research at an academic conference during the early stages of their graduate studies.

This grant aims to provide successful applicants with funds to cover at least the minimum registration fee for the proposed conference. Depending on availability of funds, in-person presentations that require travel may receive top-ups based on the location of the conference; virtual presentations will be eligible for the registration fee portion only.

Students may apply for an SGS Conference Grant to support conference presentations occurring – either in-person or virtually – up to six months after the SGS Conference Grant deadline and those which have occurred up to two months before the SGS Conference Grant cycle opens (potential eligibility window of 11 months).

Full instructions are available on the SGS Conference Grant webpage.

Award Title	Degree		Citizenship		Submission Period	Students Submit To:
	Masters	Doctoral	Domestic	International		
SGS Conference Grant	✓	✓	✓	✓	Fall, Winter, Summer	SGS Website

## Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Funds (OSOTF) Awards

What is an OSOTF Award? The “OSOTF awards” refer to a class of awards, which have resulted from Ontario government’s “matching” program. Under the program every dollar of donation received for student assistance has been matched by the government as well as the university on a dollar-for-dollar basis. There are two major conditions for all OSOTF awards. Recipients must be Ontario residents and demonstrate financial need.

**Eligibility:** OSOTF awards are restricted to the residents of Ontario who demonstrate financial need, according to the provincial government’s guidelines on OSOTF program. For the purpose of OSOTF awards, an Ontario resident is either a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada who has an Ontario mailing address at the time the award is made.

**SGS University Wide OSTF Awards:** <https://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/awards/university-wide-awards/>

There are approximately 20 awards with individual eligibility criteria and values are available within the SGS University-Wide Awards competition. Applicants must meet all award specific eligibility criteria required, as outlined within each award description

‘Awards categorized as “OSOTF” (Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund) are only open to eligible applicants who meet all three of the following criteria:

1. Demonstrate financial need for the upcoming academic year through the completion of the SGS Financial Need Assessment form;
2. Are Canadian citizens, permanent residents of Canada or protected persons under subsection 95(2) of the [Immigration and Refugee Protection Act \(Canada\)](#) at the time of the application; and
3. Are residents of Ontario at the time of the application, as defined by one of the following criteria:
  - Student has always lived in Ontario; or
  - Ontario is the last province in which student has lived for 12 months in a row without being a full-time postsecondary student; or
  - Student lives in Ontario now and has lived in Canada for less than 12 months in a row.