











The Lingo

- Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)
 - Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarship – Masters (CGS-M)
- Natural Sciences & Engineering Research Council (NSERC)
 - · Alexander Graham Bell CGS-M
- Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)
 - · Joseph-Armand Bombardier CGS-M

Value

- •\$17,500 for 1 year
 - Eligible Tri-council award winners at U
 of Guelph receive a \$5,000/year top up for duration of award
- ·Non-renewable

Fact Finding

- Google "Guelph CGS-M"
 - For details on Guelph's internal process
 - Link to NSERC website for eligibility, application, instructions and subject matter eligibility

Important Dates

- •Dec 1, 2018 Application Due Online
- •April 1, 2019 Earliest results available online
 - 21 days later Applicant must respond to offer(s)

Eligibility Criteria

- Canadian or permanent resident
- Full-time in an eligible Master's program
- Completed O-12 months of full-time study or equivalent of:
 - Master's program
 - Direct-admit doctoral program (never registered in a Master's)
 - a master's program that was or will be fast-tracked to a doctoral program, and you are requesting funding for the first 12 months of this doctoral program
- Not previously held a CGS-M
- A first-class average, as determined by the university, in each of the last two years of study (fulltime equivalent)
- Submit a maximum of one application a year

Subject Matter

- Applicants must categorize proposed field of research:
 - Health (CIHR)
 - Natural Sciences and Engineering (NSERC)
 - Social Sciences and Humanities (SSHRC)
- Ensure submission to the correct agency
 - Google "selecting federal granting agency"
- Allocation:

CIHR = 2 | NSERC = 18 | SSHRC = 17

How Do I Apply?

- On-line using the Research Portal
 - Read the instructions!
- Select up to three universities
 - · where you are currently registered
 - ·where you intend to register
- Selection process & post-award administration carried out by universities

Selection Criteria

- Academic Excellence 50%
- Research Potential 30%
- Personal Characteristics and Interpersonal Skills 20%

Warning: Challenges Ahead

- Order all transcripts now
 By Nov 23 for free Guelph transcripts
- Start your CGS-M Canadian Common CV (CCV)
- Ask 2 professors to complete Letters of Appraisal
- Research proposal
- Submit your entire application package before the due date!

Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplements (MSFSS)

- Available to CGS award holders
- Fosters research abroad
- •Up to \$6,000 to offset the cost of travel abroad for 2-6 months

SSHRC Doctoral Scholarships

2019-20 Competition

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- •SSHRC = Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council
- PGS D = Post Graduate Scholarship -Doctoral
 - •\$20,000/year for 1, 2, 3 or 4 yrs
- CGS D = Joseph Armand Bombardier
 Canada Graduate Scholarship Doctoral
 - •\$35,000/year for 3 years

Fact Finding

- Google "Guelph SSHRC Doctoral"
 - for Guelph's internal process
 - link to SSHRC website for eligibility, application, instructions, subject matter eligibility
- Due date to department: November 2, 2018

Eligibility Criteria

- < 41 months of doctoral studies as of Dec 31, 2018
- · Citizen/permanent resident of Canada;
- First PhD (or equivalent);
- Doctoral studies in the social sciences or humanities;
- Have not already received a doctoral tricouncil scholarship or fellowship
- Not applying to NSERC or CIHR in the same year

Subject matter eligibility

- •Google:
 - "subject matter eligibility SSHRC"
 - "selecting appropriate federal agency"
- Justify submission to SSHRC if in Psychology or health-related field

Evaluation Criteria

Academic merit, measured by:

- Past academic results
 - Transcripts, awards, distinctions
- Program of study and its potential contribution to the advancement of knowledge
- Relevant professional and academic experience
 - Conference presentations, scholarly publications
- Reference letters
- Departmental appraisal

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- Order all transcripts
 - By Oct 25 for free Guelph transcripts
- Ask 2 professors to complete Letters of Appraisal
- Put together your research proposal
- Submit your entire application package before the due date of November 2!

What's Next?

- Department appraises application
- University-wide awards committee selects 29 applications to forward to national competition
- •Results announced in Spring 2019

Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS)

Master & Doctoral 2019-20

What is OGS?

- •Funded by Ontario and U of Guelph
- •Encourage excellence in Master's and Doctoral studies
- •\$5,000/semester for 3 semesters
- •Max. 2 years for Master's, 4 years for Doctoral
- •How many OGS at U of G?
 - Domestic = TBD (was 135)
 - •International = TBD (was 4)

Where do I apply?

- Current U of G students
 - Continuing elsewhere: apply there
 - Continuing here: apply here
- Future U of G students
 - Apply here

When & how do I apply?

- Google "Guelph OGS"
 - eligibility, due dates, application available as of Nov. 1
- •Guelph Due Date: January 31, 2019
 - complete application package due to your Department
- If applying for OGS at other universities, visit their websites
 - Due dates and processes vary, so check now!

Eligibility Criteria

- •Full-time in a graduate program
- Minimum first class average (A-) in each of your last 2 years (full time equivalent)
- · Cannot hold concurrently with:
 - CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC, Ontario Trillium Scholarship, Ontario Graduate Fellowship, QEII-GSST

Selection Criteria

- Academic Excellence 40%
- •Research Proposal 30%
- Letters of Reference 30%

What will the application entail?

- Research Proposal
- · List of scholarships/awards
- List of publications/presentations
- Other academic achievements
- 2 Academic Assessment Forms
- A complete application for admission to a graduate program at Guelph

Arrell Graduate Scholarships

- Arrell Food Institute's mandate
- 50,000 per year for 2 years Master's/4 years Doctoral
- Research Proposal
- List of scholarships/awards
- List of publications/presentations
- Other academic achievements
- 2 Academic Assessment Forms
- A complete application for admission to a graduate program at Guelph
- Deadline March 1, 2019

Making your application stand out: What makes you different?

•The competition is fierce, but keep in mind some of the tips and advice to follow and you just might come out on top!

The Message

- •Exude enthusiasm and excitement
- Demonstrate thorough knowledge and deep understanding of your field
 - Provide context for your research
 - Highlight main research question(s)
 - Describe significance/impact
- Write for lay audience

The Details

- Highlight and elaborate your significant contributions
 - Awards
 - Publications/presentations
- •Showcase your personal strengths and commitments
 - · Volunteer, service, extracurricular

The Shout Out!

- •(aka letters of support)
- Don't underestimate the importance of picking solid referees
 - Adam Chapnick, How to ask for a reference letter, University Affairs
- •You have an A...what else?
- •Leaving an escape route...

Did you spel things rong? Is your application organized? Have you left any gaps?



