

Charbonneau Cancer Institute Graduate Scholarship

Award Instructions

Purpose of Award

Charbonneau Graduate Scholarships (MSc/PhD) are competitive internal awards for the purpose of providing stipend support to trainees pursuing graduate research.

Eligibility Criteria

Graduate students are eligible to apply for the Charbonneau Graduate Scholarship if:

- Registered full-time in a thesis-based graduate program at the University of Calgary
- Doing cancer research under the supervision of a full member of the Charbonneau Cancer Institute

Financial Support

The value of the Charbonneau Graduate Scholarship is:

Value: \$15,000 Term: One Year Number of Awards Available: 5

Charbonneau Graduate Scholarships may only be used for stipend support. These awards are intended to support trainees during full-time academic studies and research related to their degree. Any other employment and awards must be reported to Charbonneau promptly. Tuition and other fees for the Faculty of Graduate Studies are the responsibility of the student. Charbonneau Graduate Scholarship is governed by the Graduate Award Regulation and the Cumming School of Medicine Funding Policy. Students who win other awards will have their Charbonneau Graduate Scholarship funding adjusted according to the FGS and CSM Funding Policy. The duration of the Charbonneau Graduate Scholarship is minimum 12 months. Charbonneau Graduate Scholarship awardees are expected to apply for internal and external awards for which they are eligible, including those from provincial and national agencies.

Application Instructions

This award application is administered by the Graduate Award Competition (GAC), available online, through your Student Centre. The form includes the following components:

1: The standard GAC application for students enrolled in CSM-based programs. Deadline is 11:59 PM on Monday, January 9, 2023.

Please note that this deadline may be different if you are enrolled in a graduate program in another faculty. Please check with your program to find out your faculty's/ program's internal deadline for the GAC competition.

All components of the Standard GAC Award Application must be completed. These include:

- Eligibility statement

- References
- Transcripts: Transcripts will be added to your application after the deadline by your Graduate Program Administrator (GPA) based on the information provided in the application. You do not need to request transcripts.
- Other sections, Academic History; Awards; Research Abstract (250 words) and Proposal (thesis) (800 words); References cited in your research proposal (1000 words); Presentations and Contributions (1000 words); Leadership and Interpersonal Skills (800 words)

2: The GAC Harmonized Award attachment. Deadline February 15, 2023, submitted electronically through the Student Center via email to awardsgse@ucalgary.ca

All components of the GAC Harmonized Award Attachment must be completed. These include:

- An eligibility statement on how your training is related to cancer research (max. 400 words)
- Training experience, expectations and personal considerations section (max. 800 words)
- Training environment statement (max. 500 words)
- Supervisor Common CV CIHR Biosketch or equivalent
- Certificate of completion of the CIHR Sex and Gender module ([IGH Learning - CIHR \(cihr-irsc.gc.ca\)](https://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/en/learning))

Components 1 and 2 must be completed in full to ensure your application is valid.

Application Deadlines

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Adjudication Process and Evaluation Criteria

Eligible applications will receive a primary score through the GAC review process. This is a multi-disciplinary group of reviewers who may not have the in-depth knowledge in all the projects submitted. Applicants must ensure that their project proposals can be understood by a non-specialist reviewer.

The top 50% of the applications reviewed by the GAC process will be re-reviewed by the Charbonneau Training Review Committee and adjudicated based on the following criteria:

- alignment of the proposed project to cancer research excellence;
- significance and quality of the proposed project;
- quality of the candidate (e.g., academic excellence, research experience, awards);
- supervisor's research and training environment (e.g., publications, grant support, experience in trainee supervision)

Terms of the Award

Awarded trainees and their supervisors agree to certain obligations that include but are not limited to:

- acknowledgment of Charbonneau financial support in publications, presentations, communications and marketing materials associated with the funded research project;

- participation of the awardee in training activities (i.e., courses, workshops, professional development opportunities) organized by Charbonneau
- continued application for external funding support: with a goal of increasing Charbonneau's training capacity, we require all of our awardees to explore opportunities for external awards, so that if successful, Charbonneau's training funds can be released for additional trainees.
- kindly notify us of any awards you may receive through either external or internal agencies or programs during the term of your traineeship with Charbonneau.

Please contact Charbonneau Education with any questions at:

Email: charb.education@ucalgary.ca