

Phillips Emerging Cancer Scholar

Purpose of Award

Students holding a Phillips Emerging Cancer Scholars award are expected to apply for internal and external funding for which they are eligible, including those from provincial and national agencies. The Charbonneau component of the award will be pro-rated by the amount obtained from other sources.

Eligibility Criteria

Applications are solicited from interested, prospective trainees external to the University of Calgary prior to their enrollment in a graduate program, or from current trainees supervised by a member of the Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute. For graduate scholarships, the award is contingent on acceptance into a full-time PhD/MSc program at the University of Calgary under the supervision of a member of the Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute

Applicants must have the following qualifications:

- Acceptance into a full-time PhD or MSc program at the University of Calgary under the supervision of a member of the Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute

Terms and Conditions

The purpose of this award is to attract students who will be *highly competitive* for external awards on the basis of academic performance and research excellence. Students holding a Phillips Emerging Cancer Scholars award **are required to apply for all internal and external funding for which they are eligible**, including those from provincial and national agencies.

Renewal of a Phillips Emerging Cancer Scholar award is contingent upon internal review of applications for internal and external scholarships, annual review of progress (including participating in Charbonneau academic activities) and a letter of support from the supervisor.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Number of Awards: Up to 2 per year, subject to available funding

Where tenable: Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute

Value: The award guarantees an annual stipend of:

- **PhD \$17,500** from Phillips Emerging Cancer Scholar with the supervisor and/or co-supervisor providing equal matching funds of \$17,500 to provide the trainee a total of \$35,000 in support

Duration: **2 years** maximum, subject to annual review prior to renewal

Applicants must provide a letter of support from their Supervisor committing to provide a component of the award

- **MSc \$15,000** from Phillips Emerging Cancer Scholar with the supervisor and/or co-supervisor providing equal matching funds of \$15,000 to provide the trainee a total of \$30,000 in support
- Duration: 1 year with an option to renew for an additional year

Applicants must provide a letter of support from their Supervisor committing to provide a component of the award

Students holding this scholarship are expected to apply for provincial, national or international scholarships and grants they are eligible for. The intention of this award is to provide 50% of a student's salary for the duration of the award.

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 TBA

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 TBA, 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 \(cihr-irsc.gc.ca\)](http://IGH Learning - CIHR (cihr-irsc.gc.ca)))

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

Application Deadlines

The **GAC application** deadline is 11:59 PM on **TBA**, for students enrolled in CSM-based programs. The **GAC Harmonized Award Attachment** is due by **TBA**

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