

CIHR Canada Graduate Research Scholarships Application Flow Chart

Stages in Competition

1. Student completes application package.
2. Student prints and submits application package to department for internal review (if applicable).
3. Department provides feedback to students.
4. Students make changes, if necessary.
5. Student must verify and submit application on ResearchNet by **Monday, September 28, 2026** to be considered.
6. CGPS Awards Committee selects candidates to forward to CIHR for competition.
7. CIHR awards scholarship recipients and informs students via ResearchNet by Spring 2027.

Student verifies eligibility and informs their department of their intent to apply.

(https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/cgrsd-besrd_eng.asp#a3)

Student reads the instructions for the competition process and application instructions

(<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/54347.html>).

Student contacts former **and** current universities to obtain official transcripts (*undergraduate & graduate*).

(<https://students.usask.ca/academics/grades.php#Transcripts>)

1. Why order transcripts first?

Transcripts can take several weeks to arrive and the student can work on their application in the meantime.

2. Which transcripts do I need to provide?

All post-secondary transcripts must be provided, whether or not they relate to your current program. As well, transcripts for courses that were credited to **any** post-secondary program must be provided as well.

Student creates profile and fills out application form on [ResearchNet](#).

Student creates profile and fills out [Canadian Common CV](#).

Student requests [CIHR PIN](#).

Who should I ask to write my assessments?

People under whom the applicant has trained and/or who have had a good opportunity to assess their potential for research.

Applicants should refer their selected sponsors to the [Information for Sponsors](#) web page for useful tips.

Student invites 2 sponsors to provide an assessment of the applicant.

Referees complete assessments. They will automatically save on website.

Student attaches all supporting documents.

What are the supporting documents I attach?

(Pay attention to the attachment standards, found here [Acceptable Application Formats and PDF Attachments](#))

- Publications List (max. 2 pages)
- Proof of Citizenship or Permanent Residence
- Training Expectation (max. 2 pages)
- Research Project Summary (max. 1 page)
- [Confirmation of Scientific Area](#) form
- [Doctoral Studies Timelines](#) form
- Official transcripts (include 1 copy of transcript key)
- Priority Announcements/Funding Pools (optional)
- Signature Pages (found in ResearchNet application)

I can't see my Assessments.

Students will not be able to see what was written on the assessment. They will be able to see if the assessment was completed. If the assessment is not complete, another invitation should be sent or the original request can be deleted and the student can contact another referee.

Student ensures that all materials are uploaded properly and *Assessment* sections are complete.

Student prints and provides application to their unit for internal review (if applicable).
Contact your unit for internal deadline.

Units review applications and provide feedback to students.

Help! I have questions.

For general information:

Visit the Canada Graduate Research Scholarships – Doctoral Program [website](#).

Read the [Application instructions](#).

E-mail: support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

Email: gradstudies.awards@usask.ca

For assistance with ResearchNet:

888-603-4178

613-941-9080

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm (EST)

Email: support@researchnet-recherchenet.ca

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Student makes changes suggested by unit and submits application on ResearchNet to complete process.

Deadline – Monday, September 28, 2026