

Canada Graduate Research Scholarship— Doctoral program and the Canada Postdoctoral Research Award program

Research Training and Talent Development

Wednesday, August 12, 2026

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Canada Research Training Awards Suite (CRTAS)

Canada Graduate Research Scholarship – Master's (CGRS M)

Value per year (\$)	\$27,000
Duration	1 year
Months of study completed	- have completed, as of December 31 of the year of application either between 0 and 12 months of full-time studies (or full-time equivalent) in the program for which you are requesting funding - or between 4 and 12 months of full-time study (or full-time equivalent) in an eligible master's program
University choice	Tenable only at eligible Canadian institutions
Citizenship	Canadian citizen, permanent resident of Canada, protected person
How to apply	- complete and submit an application to up to three institutions using the Research Portal - To create a Canadian Common CV, log in to the Canadian Common CV website
Application Deadline	December 1st, 2026



Canada Graduate Research Scholarship – Doctoral (CGRS D)

Value per year (\$)	\$40,000
Duration	3 years
Months of study completed	36 months of study
University choice	Canada and abroad: Approximately 20% of all doctoral awards will be eligible to be held abroad
Citizenship	Canadian citizen, permanent resident of Canada, protected person, or foreign citizen
Number of applications	Maximum 3 applications
Application Deadline	For direct applicants: October 19th, 2026 For applicants submitting through a university: Contact the university to confirm their internal deadline date.



Canada Postdoctoral Research Award (CPRA)

Value per year (\$)	\$70,000
Duration	2 years
Eligibility	Either hold a doctorate or be enrolled in the final year of your doctoral program
University choice	Canada and abroad: Approximately 30% of all doctoral awards would be eligible to be held abroad
Citizenship	Canadian citizen, permanent resident of Canada, Protected Person, or foreign citizen
Number of applications	Maximum 3 applications
Application Deadline	Directly to SSHRC by September 10, 2026



Support for International Students and Researchers

Canada Graduate Research Scholarship – Doctoral (CGRS D)

- International applicants must be enrolled in a doctoral program of study at an eligible Canadian institution at the time of application.
- International applicants may only hold the award in Canada.
- Up to 15% of all doctoral awards will be awarded to international applicants.

Canada Postdoctoral Research Award (CPRA)

- International applicants must meet ONE of the following conditions:
 - be currently registered in a doctoral degree at a Canadian university
 - have previously completed a doctoral degree at a Canadian university
 - be currently conducting postdoctoral research at a Canadian institution
- International applicants may only hold the award in Canada.
- Up to 20% of all postdoctoral awards will be awarded to international applicants.

Support for Canadian and Permanent Resident Award Holders Abroad

Canadian and Permanent Residents who wish to study abroad can apply to:

Canada Graduate Research Scholarship – Doctoral (CGRS D)

- Up to 20% of doctoral awards will be eligible to be held abroad

Canada Postdoctoral Research Award (CPRA)

- Up to 30% of Postdoctoral awards will be eligible to be held abroad

CRTAS - Research Travel Supplement (RTS)

- The [Canada Research Training Awards Suite – Research Travel Supplements](#) (CRTAS-RTS) program provides additional funding to master's and doctoral award holders to help offset the costs of undertaking research travel within or outside Canada.*
- The program was launched on April 14, 2026, and replaces the previous Canada Graduate Scholarships—Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplements.

Value and duration	\$9,000 (non-renewable) for 2 to 6 months of research travel.
Application deadline	June 10, 2026 October 10, 2026 (if funding permits)
Eligibility	all active tri-agency master's and doctoral award holders

* If the award holder is based in Canada, the supplement must be used for travel abroad. If the award holder is based abroad, the supplement must be used for travel to Canada.

Priority Research Areas (PRA)

- Priority Research Areas will remain the same as those identified last year

Advanced digital technologies (including AI, quantum, and cybersecurity)	Health, including biotechnology
Clean technology and resource value chains	Environment, climate resilience, and the Arctic
Food and water security	Democratic and community resilience
Manufacturing and advanced materials	Defense and dual-use technologies

- SSHRC applicants can indicate their alignment with a PRA on their CGRS D or CPRA application form
- Committee members evaluate applications based on the selection criteria. PRAs are not part of the selection criteria.
- PRAs will not yet be expanding to include CGRS-M this competition cycle

Strengthening Canada's Indigenous Research Capacity

- SSHRC is expanding the [Indigenous Scholars Awards and Supplements pilot initiative](#) to include the CGRS D and CPRA programs.
- This funding initiative is available to applicants who are First Nations, Inuit, or Métis people whose nations or communities are located in Canada.

Funding streams	CGRS M	CGRS D	CPRA
Indigenous Scholars Supplements	\$5,000 (one time)	\$5,000 (one time)	\$10,000 (one time)
Indigenous Scholars Awards	\$27,000/yr	\$40,000/yr	\$70,000/yr
Duration	12 months	36 months	24 months

Black Scholars Funding Initiative

- The agencies are making strong progress toward the objectives established in 2022 and aim to continue funding under this initiative at these levels each year:

Undergraduate: 95 awards	Doctoral: 10 awards
Master's: 20 awards	Postdoctoral: 6 awards

- To be considered for this funding, interested individuals must:
 - Apply to one of the CRTAS funding opportunities
 - Self-identify as Black through the self-identification and consent mechanisms put in place for each program
 - Be deemed meritorious in the relevant competition
- This funding initiative is available to applicants that are Canadian citizens, permanent residents of Canada or Protected Person under subsection 95(2) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (Canada)* by the application deadline. International candidates are not eligible for this funding initiative.

Individual Development Plans (IDP)

- Active career management improves success, timelines and access to grants.
- IDPs help clarify objectives, develop skills and monitor progress.
- IDPs also encourage dialogue between researcher trainees and mentors.

For the 2026 competitions, we encourage applicants and recipients to complete [the CIHR Individual Development Plan form](#) or an equivalent form from their institution. A CRTAS form is expected to be launched in 2027.

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Other Funding Opportunities

Joint Initiatives

- Department of National Defence MINDS Scholarship Initiative
- Sport Participation Research Initiative
- Mitacs Training
- Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes—SSHRC Postdoctoral Collaboration
- Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation-Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Housing Research Scholarship Program (not offered this year)

SSHRC Joint Initiatives and Supplements: MINDS

The [Mobilizing Insights in Defence and Security \(MINDS\)](#) program of the Department of National Defence (DND) is committed to fostering the next generation of security and defence scholars in the Canadian academic community and to encouraging a strong Canadian knowledge base in contemporary defence and security issues. To this end, the MINDS program has partnered with SSHRC to deliver the MINDS Scholarship Initiative.

This initiative offers four funding streams to master's and doctoral students and to postdoctoral researchers in the social sciences and humanities whose work is related to one or more of the [MINDS Policy Challenges](#).

- MINDS Master's Scholarships for Indigenous Students: \$17,500 for 12 months, in addition to the value of the Canada Graduate Research Scholarship—Master's (CGRS M) award;
- MINDS Initiative Doctoral Awards: \$40,000 per year for 12, 24 or 36 months;
- MINDS Initiative Postdoctoral Fellowships: \$70,000 for 24 months; and
- MINDS Scholarship Initiative Supplements: \$10,000 for 12 months, in addition to the value of the Canada Graduate Research Scholarship—Master's (CGRS M) award, Canada Graduate Research Scholarship—Doctoral (CGRS D) award or Canada Postdoctoral Research Award (CPRA).

SSHRC Joint Initiatives and Supplements: SPRI

The [Sport Participation Research Initiative](#) (SPRI) supports research related to the Canadian Sport Policy.

The SPRI has two broad objectives:

- to promote Canadian research that will develop a better understanding, based on empirical evidence, of Canadians' participation in sport, in order to better inform programs and policies; and
- to build Canada's capacity to conduct research on and related to participation in sport

The initiative offers two separate funding mechanisms to support research on participation in sport in Canada.

- A \$10,000 supplement to meritorious doctoral students
- A \$10,000 supplement to meritorious postdoctoral researchers

SSHRC Joint Initiatives and Supplements

Mitacs Training

- Mitacs Training is a professional development opportunity that prepares graduate students and postdoctoral researchers for success as leaders in research and industry. In collaboration with [Mitacs](#), SSHRC is pleased to offer all SSHRC funded doctoral and postdoctoral researchers access to [Mitacs Training](#).

Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes—SSHRC Postdoctoral Collaboration

- The [Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes](#) (CHCI) and SSHRC work collaboratively to provide opportunities for SSHRC postdoctoral researchers to spend time in residence at CHCI member organizations. Doing so provides postdoctoral researchers with stimulating environments and access to unique resources and people, while enabling CHCI members to further invigorate their organizations by being able to host an external researcher.

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation-SSHRC Housing Research Scholarship Program

- For the 2027-2028 competition cycle, [CMHC-SSHRC Housing Research Scholarship Program](#) will not currently be offered.

SSHRC Joint Initiatives and Supplements

SSHRC also offers supplements to doctoral and postdoctoral researchers undertaking research linked to the Crown, Canadian studies, human rights, and other subjects.

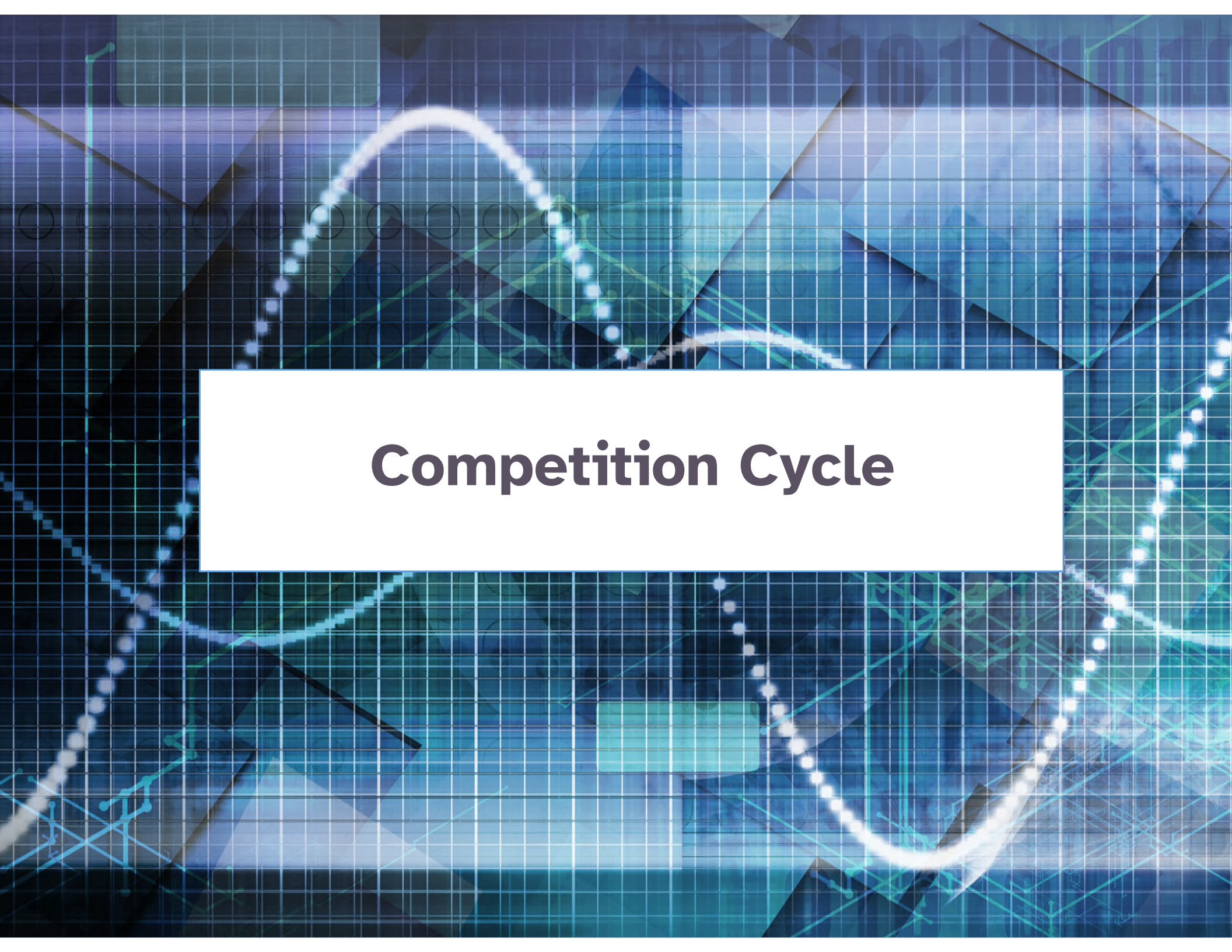
Doctoral supplements	Postdoctoral supplements
<u>Aileen D. Ross Fellowship</u>	<u>Bora Laskin National Fellowship in Human Rights Research</u>
<u>Queen's Fellowship</u>	<u>Jules and Gabrielle Léger Fellowship</u>

Impact Talent Award (\$50,000)



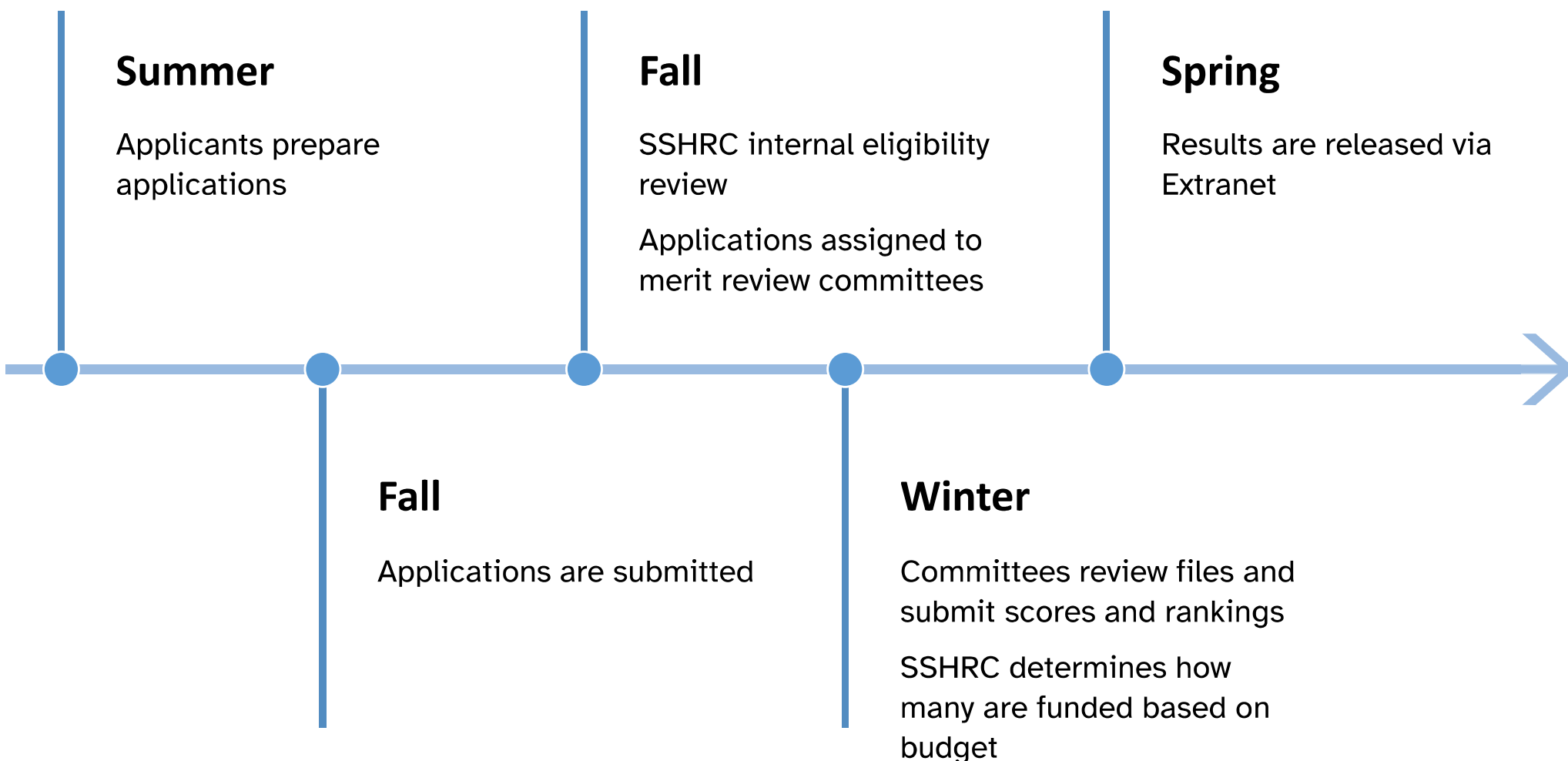
Recognizes outstanding achievement by an active SSHRC funded doctoral or postdoctoral award holder. The [Talent Award](#) is given to an individual who maintains academic excellence, has a talent for research and knowledge mobilization, and has demonstrated clear potential to be a future leader within and/or outside the academic sector.

For details about the nomination process, contact your institution.

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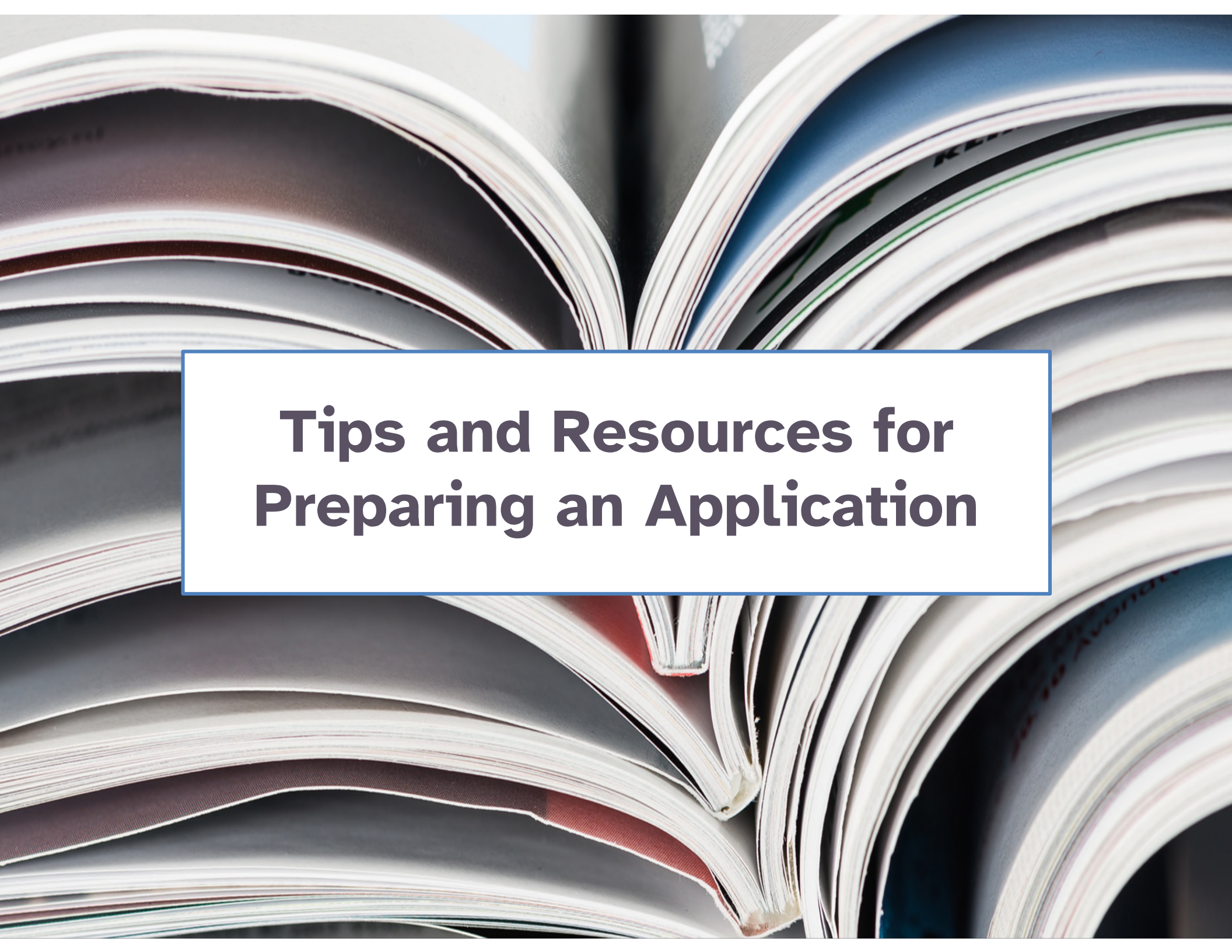
Competition Cycle

Competition Cycle: Timelines



Competition Cycle: Timelines

Funding Opportunity	Application Deadline	Communication of Results
Canada Graduate Research Scholarship – Master’s (CGRS M)	December 1, 2026	April 2027
Canada Graduate Research Scholarship – Doctoral (CGRS D): <u>Direct applications</u>	October 19, 2026	April 2027
CGRS D Applications <u>submitted through a university</u>	Contact university to confirm internal deadline	Contact University
Canada Postdoctoral Research Award (CPRA)	September 10, 2026	February 2027

The background of the image is a close-up, artistic shot of several open books. The pages are fanned out, creating a series of overlapping, curved lines that radiate from the center. The colors of the pages vary, including shades of white, cream, and light blue. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the paper and the depth of the book spines. A white rectangular box with a thin blue border is centered over the books, containing the title text.

Tips and Resources for Preparing an Application

1 Manage Your Time!



Don't wait until the last minute to prepare your application.

Review the guidelines for Subject Matter Eligibility, The Responsible Conduct of Research, and Guidance on the Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence.

Make sure that all necessary elements of the application have been submitted.

Remember, you can submit your application well in advance of the competition deadline or the institutional deadline, as applicable.

2 Be Clear



Make sure your application is complete, clear, concise, consistent and free of errors. To this end:

- Check spelling and grammar;
- Use concise and complete sentences;
- Avoid jargon and excessive use of acronyms.

Demonstrate strong communication skills as you clearly state your objectives, your research question and the expected results.

Finally, you should also present a clearly defined methodology and demonstrate how you expect to achieve your results.

3 Demonstrate Achievements and Research Potential

Carefully read the funding opportunity's selection criteria.

You must demonstrate in your application that you have **excellent potential to conduct research**



Your research proposal/program of work should highlight your potential contribution to the advancement of knowledge. This research potential can also be demonstrated by any relevant training and experience you have acquired, not only within but also outside academia and related achievements.

SSHRC asks the selection committees to take into consideration any special circumstances that may have had an impact on your academic or professional career.

4 Select Your Committee

Choose the most appropriate multidisciplinary selection committee to evaluate your application.

While we strive to have representation from a wide range of disciplines on our multidisciplinary committees, we cannot guarantee that an expert in your field will evaluate your application.

If you are not sure which selection committee to choose, you can always consult SSHRC staff before submitting your application. However, the final decision is ultimately yours.



5 Get Support Letters

Choose your referees

- Communicate with your referees very early in the process.
- Provide them with the deadline (the institutional or SSHRC deadline, depending on the competition) well in advance.



Letter Contents

- Letters must support the information contained in your application and demonstrate why you are a high-calibre candidate and could be awarded a prestigious national scholarship.
- Remind your referees of your skills and accomplishments and highlight your strengths.



If one of your support letters has not been submitted by your referees, you will not be able to submit your application.



It is strongly recommended that you follow up with your referees at least one week before the deadline to ensure that all documents have been submitted correctly.

6 Do a Final Review!



Do a final check to ensure that all sections are complete and verified and that attachments are uploaded and verified.

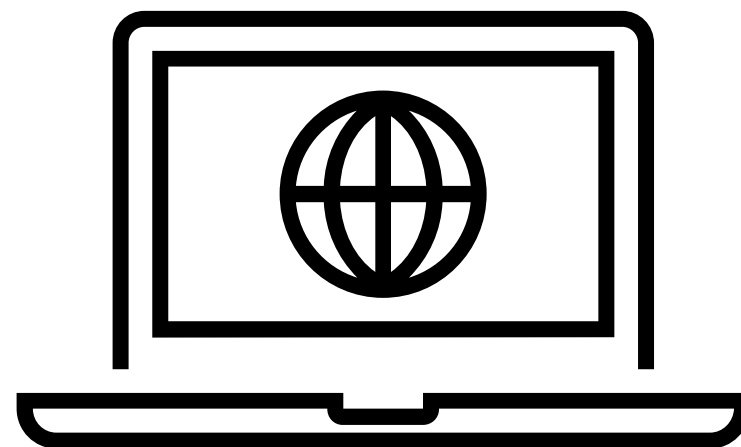
Do a final review to ensure that the content is clear and concise, and correct any grammar, spelling, or typographical errors.

Myths

- X** We Can Give You Feedback
- X** Success Rates Vary By Selection Committee
- X** SSHRC Only Funds Targeted Research
- X** It's Who You Know, Not What You Know

SSHRC Website

- Research Training and Talent Development Program
- Funding Opportunity Descriptions CGRS D and CPRA
- Application Instructions CGRS D and CPRA
- Joint initiatives for CGRS D and CPRA
- Guidelines for Effective Research Training
- Tri-Agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide



www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca

Adaptive Measures & SSHRC Accessibility Plan

Support to complete a SSHRC online application form –
circumstances arising from disability

How to request an adaptive measure

- Submit your [request for an adaptive measure](#) as early as possible.
- If submitting a request for an adaptive measure to the institution, follow all institutional procedures.
- SSHRC does its utmost to provide adaptive measures. If fulfilling a request would cause undue burden on core services, SSHRC may not be able to fulfil the request.
- Contact: accessibility-accessibilite@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca.

Frequently requested adaptive measures

One-on-one phone or video appointments, alternative formats of online materials, submission of application through alternative means.

SSHRC's Mandate

- SSHRC's mandate is to support [research excellence](#) in the social sciences and humanities: “What we think, how we live and how we interact with each other and the world around us.”
- As explained on the [Subject Matter Eligibility](#) and [Selecting the Appropriate Federal Granting Agency](#) websites, research projects eligible at CIHR and NSERC are not eligible at SSHRC.
- Mandate eligibility is focused on the objectives and outcomes of proposed projects.
- As stated on our website, “the use of social science or humanities theories, methodologies and hypotheses is, in and of itself, not sufficient to make the proposal eligible at SSHRC.”

Health-related Research and SSHRC's Mandate

- Eligibility is determined by the project's objectives and expected outcomes, not by:
 - the applicant's department or appointment;
 - the research setting (e.g., hospital or health faculty); or
 - the methods, theories, or approaches used.
- When a project's primary focus is human health, researchers should consider CIHR as the first point of contact, as its mandate includes:
 - Clinical research
 - Public health
 - Health services
 - Qualitative and patient-oriented research
- Applicants are encouraged to submit a one-page project summary to fellowships@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca early to receive informal guidance on agency fit.



Q&A Period

Questions from registration

Questions & Answers (general)

How will my application be evaluated?

The [evaluation of CGRS D applications](#) is based on the following criteria:

- Research potential: 50%
- Relevant experience and achievements obtained within and beyond academia: 50%

The [evaluation of CPRA applications](#) is based on the following criteria:

- Research potential and experience: 50%
- Quality of proposed research program: 50%

Questions & Answers (general)

If I have already submitted three applications to the competition, am I still eligible to apply?

The CPRA and the CGRS D are considered new programs, so attempts made during previous programs do not count towards the three-application limit. If you applied to the CPRA or the CGRS D last year, you would only be on your second attempt this year.

Please note that if you are applying to the CPRA, you cannot have already received a postdoctoral award from CIHR, NSERC or SSHRC (including a Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship).

Likewise, if you are applying to the CGRS D, you cannot have already received a doctoral-level scholarship from CIHR, NSERC or SSHRC (including a Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship).

Questions & Answers (general)

Is it possible to apply to two agencies in the same competition cycle? For example, SSHRC and CIHR?

No. You may only apply to one agency per competition cycle.

Questions & Answers (general)

What are the application modules I must complete?

- Application profile
- Program information
- Areas of study
- Research proposal
- Bibliography and citations
- Diversity considerations in research design module
- Transcripts
- Allowable inclusions (if applicable)
- Research contributions, relevant experience and activities
- Supplement justification (if applicable)
- Joint or special initiatives justification (if applicable)

Questions & Answers (general)

Can international students studying in Canada apply? What are the residency requirements (i.e. being in residence in Europe, versus working remotely from Canada with targeted short-term trips?)

Residency requirements are determined by the institution. International applicants are eligible for the CGRS D when they are registered in a doctoral program at a Canadian institution at the time of application. International applicants are eligible for the CPRA when they can demonstrate that they are already conducting research at a Canadian institution.

Questions & Answers (general)

Where can I find the formatting requirements (font, font size, page size, line spacing, paragraph spacing, etc.) for the application documents?

Your electronic file attachment must meet the following criteria:

- PDF format (.pdf extension); unprotected
- Maximum file size of 500KB
- 8 ½" x 11" (216mm x 279mm)
- Maximum 4 pages (CPRA program of work) or 2 pages (CGRS D research proposal)

General Presentation:

- Body text in a minimum 12 pt Times New Roman font
- Single-spaced, with no more than 6 lines of type per inch
- All margins set at a minimum of ¾" (1.87cm)

Questions & Answers (general)

What is the structure of the Program of Work/Research Proposal?

There is no standard structure for the Program of Work/Research Proposal. However, it is important that committee members clearly understand what you intend to accomplish and how you plan to achieve it.

We encourage you to discuss the content and structure of your Program of Work/Research Proposal with your proposed supervisor.

Questions & Answers (general)

The evaluation criteria indicate that research grants, scholarships, and other awards are considered under the Research Experience and Potential criterion. However, there does not appear to be a section specifically dedicated to describing these awards. Could you please clarify where this information should be provided?

There is no section to describe grants or funding in detail. We simply ask that they be listed in this section.

Questions & Answers (general)

Could a research project in forensic science fall under the social sciences and humanities, even though forensic science is generally associated with the natural sciences and engineering, and is not experimental?

If you are unsure whether SSHRC is the appropriate agency to which you should submit your application, you may send a one-page summary to the Fellowships team, and we will provide our opinion.

Questions & Answers (general)

What is a narrative CV?

The Tri-agency narrative CV is a new format that will be used by CIHR, SSHRC and NSERC which will allow researchers to tell the story of their career beyond traditional metrics. The narrative CV will be made up of three sections: a personal statement, contributions and experience, and supervisory and mentorship activities.

The narrative CV will not be used for the 2026 competition.

Use of the SSHRC CV for both the doctoral and postdoctoral competition will remain unchanged.

Questions & Answers (doctoral level)

As an international applicant applying to do my PhD in Canada, am I still required to submit an English language proficiency test result (IELTS/TOEFL)?

English proficiency is assessed by the institution to which you are applying. You must be registered in a doctoral program at a Canadian institution at the time of application.

Questions & Answers (doctoral level)

I am to start my PhD in Winter session 2026. I have my admission letter and all other things in process. Can I also apply to the PhD scholarship even though I have not yet started my program?

Yes, you may apply if you have already received an offer of admission to a doctoral program or if you will be enrolled in a doctoral program by the time the award begins. Unless you are applying as an international applicant, you are not required to be admitted to a doctoral program at the time you submit your application.

Questions & Answers (doctoral level)

Can I apply for the CGRS D in my second year of PhD?

Yes, you can apply in your second year of your PhD. You must have not yet completed 36 months of full-time study in your program.

Questions & Answers (doctoral level)

Are part-time students eligible for the CGRS D?

Yes, part-time students are eligible to apply.

However, if successful, certain conditions must be met to hold the award on a part-time basis. As per our policy, award holders may hold their awards part-time for parental or medical reasons, or because of family- and community-related responsibilities.

Requests which fall outside these areas are reviewed by the agencies on a case-by-case basis.

Questions & Answers (doctoral level)

What letters of reference do we need at the time of application for CGRS D?

You will not be able to apply unless your referees have filled out the referee forms. At the time of application, you will need to submit two letters of reference.

One referee should be very familiar with your research and abilities (i.e., current or previous research supervisor) and the other should be sufficiently familiar with your research and abilities to provide a meaningful commentary.

Please be sure to contact your referees well ahead of the deadline to give them time to fill out the form.

Questions & Answers (doctoral level)

What are internal institutional deadlines?

These are deadlines set by the institution for those who are applying through an institution vs directly through SSHRC.

Internal institutional deadlines are set by the institution and may vary. You should consult each institution's website or contact the Faculty of Graduate Studies (or its equivalent) at your institution to confirm the correct deadline.

Questions & Answers (doctoral level)

If funding is awarded, can it be deferred? Under what circumstances?

Yes, an award can be deferred if it is approved by the institution and SSHRC. Reasons that can justify an award deferment are the following:

- Parental leave, medical leave or family-related responsibilities
- Relevant work experience
- Relocation, visa application or academic calendar differences
- Administrative reasons
- Force majeure

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Can I apply for the Postdoctoral Award if I have not yet completed my PhD?

Yes, you may apply. However, please note that you must meet all the requirements for your doctoral degree before your award begins.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Can my Postdoctoral research be an extension of my previous work? For example, my PhD research?

Yes, the guidelines allow proposals that are in line with your doctoral work, provided that you demonstrate:

- New research objectives, methodologies, context, or theoretical framework that go beyond your PhD
- That the project is innovative research and not a repetition of the content of your thesis

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Can an existing postdoc with a different funding source apply for the same institution and supervisor?

SSHRC does not prohibit applicants from remaining at the same institution and working with the same supervisor as their current or previous postdoctoral fellowship however the proposed projects should be substantially different from the previous project.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Can my postdoc supervisor be the same as my PhD supervisor?

There is no restriction on having the same supervisor for both your PhD and your postdoctoral award.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Do you need to be connected to an institution before applying?

Yes, you do need an institutional affiliation confirmed when applying. Specifically, you will need:

- an institutional nomination form confirming the institution supports your application.
- a letter of support from your research supervisor (research appraisal).

International applicants must be registered in a doctoral program of study at an eligible Canadian institution by the application deadline.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Can I apply for two postdoc awards, or for joint appointments for postdocs between two institutions?

You cannot apply for two Tri-agency CPRA awards, but you can apply for a different award from a different venue, provided there is no duplication of funding for any of the proposed activities.

It is possible to apply for a joint appointment; however, several components need to be outlined in the application:

- a primary host institution needs to be identified
- a main supervisor is identified (this is the person will write your letter of support)
- demonstrate the value and feasibility of collaboration between both institutions

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Can the expert writing one of my letters of appraisal be my co-supervisor or someone from my dissertation committee?

SSHRC no longer requires the expert writing one of your letters of appraisal to be at arm's length, meaning you are allowed to ask your PhD co-supervisor, collaborators or research partners etc. if they can comment objectively

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Can the research supervisor write a letter of appraisal?

There is no policy in place that prohibits this; however, your proposed supervisor is already required to submit a letter of support (research appraisal) confirming their supervision and support of your research.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

What is the difference between scholarships/awards and funded research?

Doctoral scholarships and postdoctoral awards are granted to an individual (student or researcher) and are portable.

Funded research refers to project funding usually awarded to a Principal Investigator or research team to carry out a specific research project. You might be hired to work on a project like this as a research assistant or collaborator.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

How does having held, e.g., a CGRS D shape one's chances of winning a postdoctoral award?

Holding a SSHRC doctoral award is not a requirement, nor does it necessarily impact chances of being awarded a Postdoctoral award more than holding any other Doctoral awards. However prior funding does look good on your application.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Does the rank level (assistant, associate, full professor) of your postdoctoral supervisor impact decisions made by the selection committee?

The expertise of the supervisor and their ability to effectively guide you in your specific research area may not always be reflected in their rank.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

Do I need to provide a letter if I hold a term appointment?

If you answered *No* to the question, "Do you hold a university faculty position?", you do not need to upload a letter in this module.

If you answered *Yes*, you must upload an official letter, in PDF format, from your university confirming that you do not hold a permanent or tenure-track faculty position.

Questions & Answers (postdoctoral level)

In the SSHRC CV, what is the difference between awards/scholarships and funded research?

Scholarships and awards are granted to an individual (student or researcher) and are generally portable.

Talk to Us!

Funding Opportunity Information and Questions
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Accessibility
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Technical Assistance
webgrants@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca

By telephone – toll free
1-855-275-2861

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