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Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries

Applications now open:

Senior Women Academic Administrators of Canada - Graduate Student Award of Merit (<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=EX5164G#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **December 22, 2023 at 4:30pm**

Dean's International Doctoral Scholarship
(<https://grad.usask.ca/funding/award-search.php?award=301310GS01#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **January 9, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Canadian Federation of University Women
(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=ND5012G#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **January 31, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Misiwêskamik International Fellowship for Postdoctoral Scholars
(<https://cgps.usask.ca/postdocs/postdoc-funding/misiweskamik-international.php>).

Deadline: **February 1, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Mackenzie King Open Scholarship
(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=ND5031G#myScholarships>) & **Mackenzie King Travelling Scholarship**

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=ND5032G#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **February 1, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Walter Sumner Memorial Fellowship

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=ND5047G#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **February 1, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Indigenous Graduate Leadership Award (IGLA)

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=302529GS01#myScholarships>) - Master's & PhD

Deadline: **February 5, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Wanda Young Scholarship in Doctoral Studies

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=302852GS01#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **February 5, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Robson Bursary for Graduate Students

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=301118GB01#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **February 5, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Robert P. Knowles Scholarship

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=300364GS01#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **February 26, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Saskatchewan Lieutenant Governor Scholarship

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=EX5029G#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **February 28, 2025 at 4:30pm**

Saskatchewan Lieutenant Governor Indigenous Scholarship

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=EX5122G#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **February 28, 2024 at 4:30PM**

Dr. Roger Rimmer Award for Excellence in Graduate Research

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=301137GS01#myScholarships>)

Deadline: **March 4, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Teacher Scholar Doctoral Fellowship (<https://grad.usask.ca/funding/award-search.php?award=301368GS04#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **March 4, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Open for Department Nomination:

CAGS/UMI Distinguished Dissertation Award

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=ND5006G#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **February 20, 2024 at 4:30pm**

USask Graduate Thesis Awards/Governor General's Gold Medal

(<https://grad.usask.ca/funding/award-search.php?award=301368GS02#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **March 8, 2024 at 4:30pm**

WAGS Distinguished Master's Thesis Award

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=ND5045G#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **April 8, 2024 at 4:30pm**

WAGS ProQuest Innovation in Technology Award (Thesis or Dissertation)

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=ND5046G#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **April 8, 2024 at 4:30pm**

Herbert Percy Toop Memorial Prize in Scientific Writing

(<https://students.usask.ca/money/awards/graduate-awards.php?award=300696GS01#myScholarships>).

Deadline: **April 8, 2024 at 4:30pm**

If you would like the CGPS Graduate Scholarships and Awards Services team to come and provide an overview of graduate funding/scholarship opportunities to your students (either as part of a 990 seminar or specific workshop), please reach out to jody.lepp@usask.ca (<mailto:jody.lepp@usask.ca>).

Revised Defence Policy - implementation reminder

Effective May 1, 2024, the University Examiner will be required for all doctoral defences, reflecting current policy.

We are asking Graduate Chairs to work with faculty in their respective programs/units to ensure that implementation is underway. If you have questions that you would like to talk through, please contact Ryan Walker at ryan.walker@usask.ca (<mailto:ryan.walker@usask.ca>).

How to recommend admission when the applicant's GPA is below the minimum admission requirement

If you are admitting a student who does not meet the minimum admission requirements for your program, please be sure that your request for an exemption to policy, submitted through the CGPS Services Desk, is processed and approved before entering the recommendation in Recruit. Once the recommendation to admit in Recruit is made there are several technical steps (including involvement by SIS) that need to be taken if we have to remove it, and the student receives a notification that their admission was recommended, which may not be accurate if the policy exemption is not approved. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to your GPSO.

Communicating with your CGPS Graduate Program Service Officers (GPSO)

To ensure we can continue to support units in as effective and efficient a manner as possible, please remember to use the **CGPS Service Desk** (<https://jira.usask.ca/servicedesk/customer/portal/7/group/60>) in Jira to communicate with your GPSO. **Please do not send questions or requests to GPSOs through MS Teams chat.** Keeping all of your inquiries in the Service Desk not only helps us to prioritize issues but also helps to ensure your requests are answered in a timely fashion even if your assigned program advisor is away. While we are trying to keep all student and program-related inquiries in the Service Desk, we recognize that this might not be appropriate in some situations. A couple of guidelines to follow:

- If the communication involves you, CGPS, and a member of another unit on campus, email is best.
- If your request/inquiry is urgent, **give us a call** (<https://cgps.usask.ca/contact-us/staff/staff.php>).
- For all other communications related to students and/or programs, the **CGPS Service Desk** (<https://jira.usask.ca/servicedesk/customer/portal/7/group/60>) is best.

The Kelly Clement Memorial Employee Service Award

Created in memory of Kelly Clement (1979-2021), this award recognizes USask staff members who have made outstanding contributions to USask's graduate student community. Nominees will typically demonstrate their commitment to

supporting graduate students by pursuing goals and objectives that align with at least one of the three 2025 aspirational areas of the College. **Submit a nomination.** (<https://cgps.usask.ca/grad-life/events/staff-award.php>).

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