

# The W.L. Mackenzie King Memorial Scholarships

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## Re: Mackenzie King Memorial Scholarship Competition for 2019-20

Dear "Home University" Contact for the Mackenzie King Scholarships,

As in past years, application forms for the Mackenzie King Scholarships are available on the Mackenzie King Scholarships Website, [www.mkingscholarships.ca](http://www.mkingscholarships.ca). Applicants are able to download the application form and information sheet, in English and French, for both the Open and Travelling Scholarships. Please pass this information on to students who inquire about these scholarships. Please note that the application form and information sheet are essentially unchanged from last year. (The Website needs updating at the moment but the information is still accurate.)

We would appreciate hearing from you regarding any problems with the website or additional features that might be added to it.

The results of the 2018-19 competition should have been sent to you previously. Please let me know if you did not receive them.

As in previous years, the Mackenzie King Scholarship Board of Trustees and the Selection Committee ask each university to forward the applications of the two top-ranked applications submitted to them, as "home" university, for each of the two scholarship competitions, the Open Scholarship and the Travelling Scholarship. If you are able to rank the two candidates for each scholarship, that is very helpful. The Selection Committee does, however, reserve the right to choose a second-ranked candidate over a first-ranked candidate from the same university. We have asked that applicants submit all required materials to your University by Friday, February 1, 2019. We advise applicants that letters of reference may be provided in sealed, signed envelopes as part of the application package, or may be sent directly by the referees to the home university.

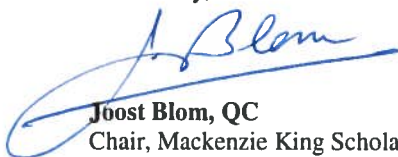
Could I ask the committees who consider these nominations to observe the eligibility criteria for the Travelling Scholarship, which is limited to graduate study in the US or the UK in the field of international relations or industrial relations. If there is doubt about whether a particular application for the Travelling Scholarship meets the subject-matter criteria, please feel free to contact me. The decision is ultimately that of the Selection Committee and the Trustees, but I can let you know what past practice has been and how a borderline-eligible application may be submitted.

Please let me say how grateful we are to everyone at your university who helps us with the Mackenzie King Scholarship competition. We received 77 nominations last year for the Open Scholarship and another 19 for the four Travelling Scholarships. We could not cope with the several hundred applications that are submitted to home universities across Canada if it were not for your assistance in selecting the candidates you forward to us. We know how much time and trouble you must put into the screening of the applications. We only wish there were more than one Open (\$10,000 last year) and four Travelling Scholarships (\$12,500 last year) to award each year. On behalf of the Trustees, thank you very much.

**Please note that, as of this year, we can accept your nominated candidates' files in digital (.pdf) form. Please forward them (one .pdf file for each candidate) to a new email address, [mking.scholarships@ubc.ca](mailto:mking.scholarships@ubc.ca) (no longer law.ubc.ca) to be received no later than March 15, 2019. If you wish to send us hard copies, the address (also new) is:**

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Yours truly,



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