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Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's (CGS M) Value and duration? \$17,500 for one year Minimum Average? · First-class * in each of the last two completed years of study (full-time equivalent) Where to apply? • Up to 5 institutions where you would like to hold the award (institutions must have an award allocation) When and how to . By 8 PM (ET) on December 1 When are awards As of April 1 announced? Research Portal * As determined by the host institution

In addition, you must: • be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada • intend to pursue a Master's program with a significant research component • have completed, as of December 31 of the year of application, between 0 - 12 months of studies in a Master's/Doctoral program - Possibility of holding a CGS M for the first year of a doctoral program • not have already held a CGS M

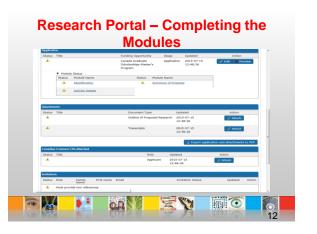




















Consists of two separate sections: Outline of proposed research (maximum one page) Bibliography/citations (maximum one page) Provide detailed description of your proposed research project for the period during which you will hold the award Describe the objectives, hypothesis, experimental or theoretical approach, methods and procedures to be used Position your proposed research within the context of current knowledge in the field Describe the significance of the research project to the field of research, as appropriate If you have not yet decided on a specific project, you must still provide a detailed description of a research project that interests you

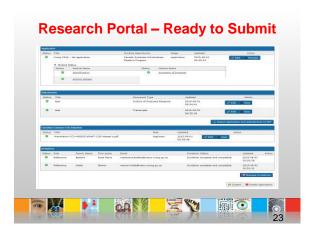
Outline of Proposed Research – Cont'd If your degree program does not involve a thesis, clearly indicate the research component of your proposed work Only one outline of proposed research can be attached, even if you apply to more than one institution Your application may be reviewed by a broad audience not necessarily in your direct area of research Use clear, plain language and avoid jargon Follow the directives provided in the instructions for completing an application





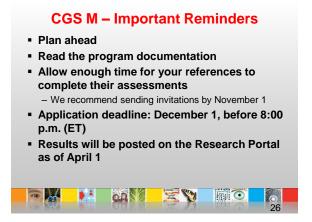








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Selection Criteria and Weightings Criterion Weight (%) Academic Excellence 30 Research Ability or Potential 50 Communication, Interpersonal, and Leadership Abilities TOTAL 100

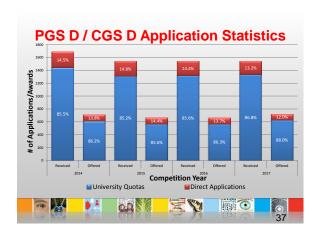


















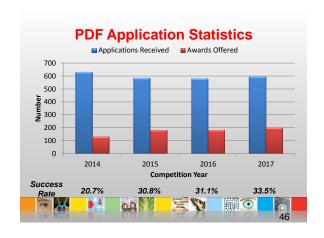


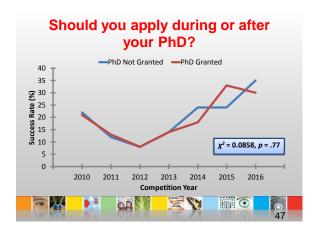


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Value and duration?	\$45,000 per year for two years	
When and how to apply?	By 8 PM (ET) on October 16, 2017NSERC Online System	
Who can apply?	Canadian citizens Permanent residents of Canada	
Where can you hold the award?	Canadian universities Provincial research institutions in Canada Other appropriate research laboratory in Canada Universities and research centres abroad (PhD must be from Canadian university)	
What is the eligibility window?	PhD must have been completed after October 16, 2015 (some exceptions)	
When are awards announced?	Mid-January 2018	

Criterion	Weight (%)
Academic Excellence	n/a
Research Ability or Potential	70
Communication, Interpersonal, and Leadership Abilities	30
TOTAL	100
NOTE: You can only apply o	nce to the PDF program

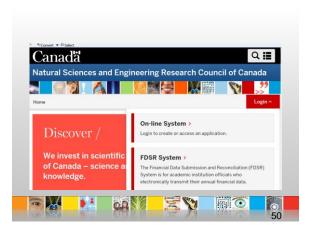


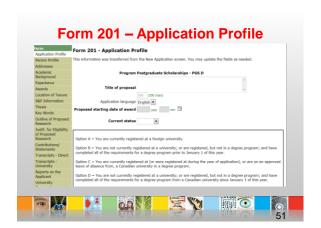


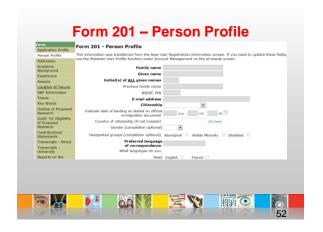


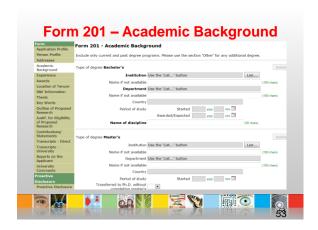
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Canadian universities Foreign universities Affiliated research hospitals, colleges and not-for-profit organizations with a strong research mandate and capacity
Research excellence and leadership in the research domain Quality of applicant's proposed research program Institutional commitment and demonstrated synergy between applicant and institutional strategic priorities





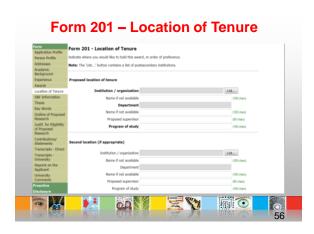


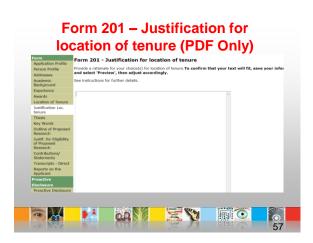


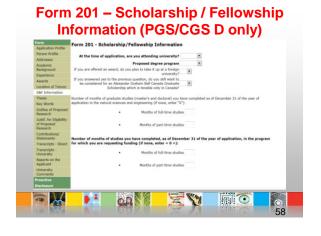


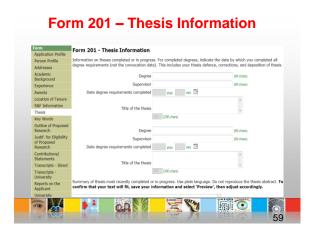


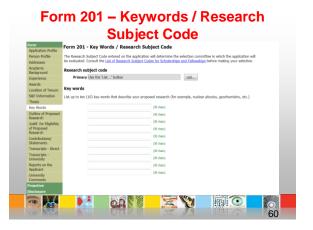














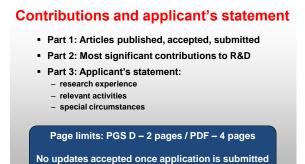




What makes a good research proposal? Write the proposal yourself Be as clear as possible Describe the objectives, hypothesis, experimental approach, methods, significance, etc. Clearly explain the significance to the NSE Make your proposal understandable for the whole committee whose members will have a broad range of expertise Do not repeat info from the Thesis section (you can refer to it) Focus on what you will be working on during the tenure of the award Maximum of one page in length (including references)

Making sure your research and your program are eligible at NSERC NSERC supports research whose major challenges lie in the natural sciences and engineering (NSE), other than the health sciences Applications containing research proposals that are not eligible under these guidelines may be rejected Consult NSERC's Eligibility Criteria for Students and Fellows (Guidelines and Addendum) You can only apply to one agency per academic year For doctoral and postdoctoral awards, NSERC does not support programs that include a professional component (i.e., MD/PhD)





Common mistakes when writing proposal / contributions / statement

- Lack of focus or coherence
- Repetitiveness
- · Failure to cite important work in the area
- Failure to cite recent relevant work
- · Citing too many irrelevant articles
- Relying too much on secondary sources (lack of understanding)
- Too much detail on minor issues; too little detail on major issues
- · Research contributions not properly highlighted
- Impact / importance of research not explained



Transcripts

- Follow the transcript guidelines in the Form 201 Instructions; your application will be rejected if you have not followed these instructions
- Transcripts must be:
 - up-to-date
 - dated or issued in the current fall session or after the last term during which you were registered (even if there are no grades or updates)
 - Official
 - issued by the Registrar's Office (not web transcripts)
 - included for each program listed under your Academic Background
 For PDF, you only need your doctoral transcripts
- You are responsible for ensuring all transcripts have been uploaded according to the guidelines (even if your university does the uploading)



Reports on the Applicant

- Who should you ask to write your reports?
 - Your thesis supervisor
 - Another person familiar with your research and other abilities
 - Not your proposed supervisor (unless they are currently or have been your supervisor)
- How do you invite your referees to complete the reports?
 - Enter their names and email addresses in the online system; the system will send them an email with instructions
 - Invite them well in advance of the deadline; your application cannot be submitted without these reports



Where to get additional information? Resource videos on NSERC website: Tips on applying for an NSERC scholarship or fellowship Demystifying the review process for NSERC scholarships and fellowships Program guides and application tutorials http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/Videos-Videos/Index_eng.asp See NSERC website for other opportunities and supplements



What is gender equity?

- Fair process of allocating resources and decision making
- Measures necessary to eliminate discrimination and inequalities between women, men and gender diverse people
- Equal opportunities
- Equity is a means. Equality is the result we are striving for



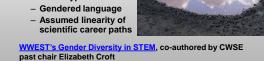
Diversity and gender equity as components of research excellence

- Studies have shown that research quality is improved when:
 - sex, gender, and diversity are taken into account in the experimental design
 - research teams are diverse
- "The goals of excellence and equity are both compatible and mutually supporting. Sound equity practices ensure that the largest pool of qualified candidates is accessed...." (Canada Research Chairs Peer Review Guidelines)



Commonly experienced barriers

- Multiple factors contribute to low % of women and under-represented populations in NSE
 - Few role models
 - Unconscious biases
 - Microaggressions
 - Stereotype threat





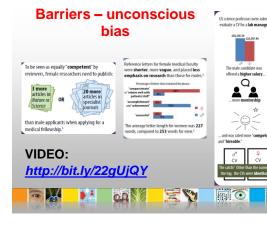












NSERC initiatives that affect students and postdoctoral fellows

- Selection committees must have at least 20% women (30% by 2020)
- Members must complete gender equity training modules and references are encouraged to do so
- List of examples of activities demonstrating communication, interpersonal, and leadership skills expanded to include recognition for science promotion, outreach, volunteer work, coaching, clubs, civic engagement, etc.
- Parental leave policies
 - 6 month paid parental leave available (regardless of your eligibility for other paid parental leave)
 - part-time options available for parental and family responsibilities
 - extension of PDF eligibility window for parental leave
- Applicants are evaluated on their active period, excluding leaves
- Equity data of applicants will be collected to better inform policy and program decisions





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