Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies

Graduate Funding Student Orientation

https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding



GPS Graduate Funding Unit's role

- Dissemination of information for All types of graduate funding including,
 - International Student funding,
 - Federal and Provincial funding,
 - Sponsorships,
 - ⁻ Internships,
- Adjudication and processing of centrally-administered fellowships and awards from GPS-run competitions
- Development of policies regarding graduate student funding and student eligibility
- Advocates for students with external agencies



2 Types of Funding

<u>Internal</u>

Financial support that is distributed by the University in different ways. Students are automatically considered for, and may be offered, internal funding. Some academic units have opportunities for which an application needs to be submitted

- Central McGill funds from endowments, donations, & government bodies.
 - Including Faculties / Units specific awards
- Professors have research grants

There may also be employment possibilities in your Unit as Research or Teaching assistant

Graduate Funding – Our Role-Internal funds

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Faculty

Academic Unit





Graduate Funding

2 Types of Funding

External

Federal Tri-Agency (Masters & Doctoral)

- NSERC CRSNG (Natural Science & Engineering)
- CIHR IRSC (Health Research)
- SSHRC CRSH (Social Science & Humanities)

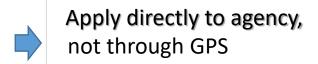


Nominated by Unit, GPS forwards to agency(Phd only)



Provincial Agencies (Masters & Doctoral)

- FRQNT (Natural Science & Engineering)
- FRSQ (Health Research)
- FRQSC (Social Science & Humanities)





*Anyone submitting an application to one of the Provincial agencies are required to send the application number to their Unit

Other Health agency and foundations like **HBHL**, MSSOC, Canadian Kidney Foundation, Alzheimer Society of Canada etc.



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Find a listing of some funding opportunities by selecting the corresponding registration status.

For example; if you select Doctoral Students

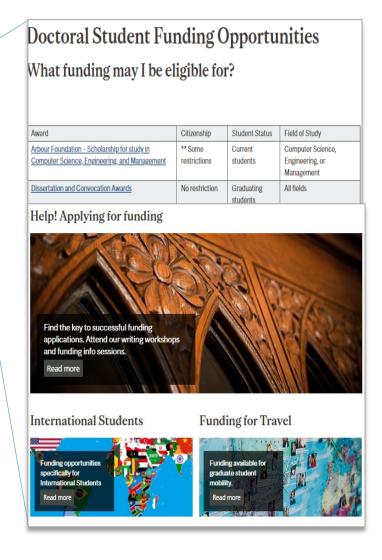
Funding Opportunities

What funding may I be eligible to apply for?











Funding for International Students: Sponsorships and DFWs





Differential Fee Waivers (DFWs) – External

- Quebec exemptions from foreign student differential tuition fees
- Bilateral Agreements with foreign countries and Quebec



Students apply through their <u>country's designated agency</u>

Sponsorships

- GPS International Funding Agreements
- For Incoming and First Year students
- Usually covers
 - Tuition
 - International Health Insurance
 - Annual living allowance



https://mcgill.ca/gps/funding/international



Funding Competitions Process – [McGill Administered Tri-Agency Competitions]

- Check your Unit's competition requirements and DEADLINE (not GPS deadline to agency, nor Unit deadline to GPS)
- READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS and information
- You may need to submit something to your Unit
- **Unit** will make a selection and nominate applicants to GPS
- GPS runs internal review of nominated applications
- GPS organizes successful applications and forward to agency (CGS Masters Award has final selection here)



Getting Paid

External Fellowships: Fellowships are awarded directly to students by granting agencies, with McGill issuing the payments.

- GPS is responsible for disbursing Tri-Agency Fellowships (NSERC, SSHRC and CIHR)
- Most all other award are disbursed by Academic unit

Note: If unsure email graduatefunding.gps@mcgill.ca send a copy of your Notice of Award

Remember: Include your McGill ID NUMBER

Teaching Assistant (TA) or Research Assistant (RA): Processed through the academic unit

Stipends: Paid from a research grant for the student to work on their thesis research which is part of the research program of the professor's grant.

Payments processed by the academic unit

Avoid delays

- Make sure registration is up to date i.e. Fall and Winter
- Submit required documentation to appropriate unit/office (ie:final grades from previous degree)
- Update banking information on Minerva

https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding/getting-paid



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Getting Paid (International Students)

- All students are expected to be physically present for the 2022/23 academic year.
- You must have a Canadian bank account to receive payments from internal awards or any awards that are paid through McGill University.
- For international students who may be arriving a bit late on the Fall term due to delays in obtaining immigration documents, payments will not be released until you update Minerva with your Canadian bank account information.
- If you receiving stipends from your supervisor's research grant, these will not be processed until you are physically present at McGill.



Student Information Webinars

https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding/maximize-my-chances

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Info Session	Dates
Tri-Agency Doctoral Canada Graduate Scholarships (NSERC, SSHRC, CIHR)	3 September 2020 at 4:00 p.m.
CIHR Doctoral (webinars given by CIHR staff)	English sessions - When: Tuesday, 08 September 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, 10 September 2020 at 10:00 a.m. French sessions - When: Wednesday, 11 September 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, 10 September 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
* Intro to Provincial-FRQ (Doctoral & Master's)	10 September 2020 at 4:00 p.m.
NSERC Doctoral (Q&A session by NSERC staff)	10 September at 12:00 – Instructions found here: https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding/maximize-my-chances
Tri-Agency Master's Canada Graduate Scholarships (NSERC, SSHRC & CIHR)	22 October 2020 at 4:00 p.m.



Resources

Workshops and Webinars

- Offer support in all aspects if the external funding application process and help maximize your chances
- https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding/maximize-my-chances

SKILLSETS

- Suite of workshops designed for graduate students and postdoctoral fellows to complement research training
- https://www.mcgill.ca/skillsets
- Tips for writing a research proposal
 - https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/students/research-tracking/proposals



Funding Weblinks to bookmark

- https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding
 - https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding/opportunities
- https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding/international
- https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/funding/travel
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