



McGill Sports Science Fellowships Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education

Application Guidelines and Requirements

The Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education at McGill University, in collaboration with the Sylvan Adams Sports Science Institute at McGill University, is accepting applications for graduate student research fellowships aimed to advance human sport performance. These fellowships are available across sport science disciplines as long as the research aims to understand, facilitate, and/or optimize sport performance with preference to endurance sport projects. Foundational research projects that have indirect ties to sport will be considered if the applicant/supervisor describes the impact the subsequent projects will have on sport science research.

The fellowships are intended to support:

- two (2) incoming Master's students (\$17,500/year for 2 years)
- one (1) incoming doctoral student (\$30,000/year for 3 years)

Requirements

- Students beginning in both the Winter (2024) or Fall (2024) terms are eligible to apply.
- In order to be considered for a fellowship, applicants must have applied or been accepted to a graduate program in the Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education and have a cumulative grade point average greater than 3.0 out of 4.0 or the equivalent during your university studies.
- Applicants must submit the following required documents:
 - Completed fellowship Application Form
 - All University transcripts
 - Summary of the thesis work to be carried out over the entire duration of the fellowship, and that can contribute to understand, facilitate, and/or optimize sport performance, with preference for research that helps advance endurance sports (maximum of 1 page maximum for master's, 2 pages for doctoral, not including references; Times New Roman 12, 1.0 line spacing, margins 2.54 cm), with the following section headers: a) Thesis title; b) Rationale; c) Objectives/Hypotheses; d) Proposed methodology; e) Anticipated benefits to sports science; f) References.
 - Statement from supervisor on: a) alignment with the supervisors' program of research, and b) resources available to the student so they can complete the proposed project in the appropriate timeline (2 pages maximum; Times New Roman 12, 1.0 line spacing, minimum margins 2.54 cm).

Deadlines and submission procedures

Deadline to submit the complete application file: 11:59pm EST, January 15th, 2024.

- Submission: Email sports.science@mcgill.ca a combined PDF file of all required documents with the email subject '2024-2025 Sport Science Fellowship Application – *Last name of applicant*'

Conditions of the fellowships

- Awardees must maintain full-time academic standing.
- Awardees must be available upon request to present their research in departmental events such as the Kinesiology and Physical Education graduate seminar series.
- Awardees must write a letter-of-thanks within one month of receiving a McGill Sports Science Fellowship. Instructions and format will be communicated.
- Awardees will not be eligible to receive admission funding from the Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education (i.e., Graduate Excellence Funds).
- Awardees who receive additional external or internal funding will only be able to keep this award to a total maximum of \$30,000 (Master's) or \$50,000 (doctoral) per annum.
- Awardees must acknowledge the Sylvan Adams Sports Science Institute on all presentations and publications related to the funded research.
- Awardees must submit a report on the progress of the proposed research by Oct. 1st of each year of the funded period, as well as at the end of the award, for the purposes of highlighting achievements (e.g., conference presentations, publications, knowledge mobilization activities).

Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Master's	Ph.D.
1. Quality and Relevance of the research project	/30	/30
a) Clarity and conciseness of the research problem		
b) Clarity and consistency between the hypotheses and objectives		
c) Relevance of the methods and analyses		
d) Feasibility (including resources available)		
e) Originality and innovation		
f) Potential to advance sport science (preference for endurance sport)		
2. Excellence of academic record	/50	/40
a) academic marks, relevance of academic path		
b) Awards, honours, and distinctions		
3. Aptitudes and Experiences	/20	/30
a) Publications (published, in press, submitted, or in preparation)		
b) Conference presentations		
c) Participation in research projects, internships, and training		
Total score:	/ 100	/ 100