

# Doctoral Student Research Award (DSRA)

## **Guidelines**

This program is designed to assist full-time graduate students at degree-granting institutions of higher education, whose dissertations are related in substantial part to Canada, to undertake doctoral research about Canada. The purpose is to increase knowledge and understanding of Canada and to support the development of Canadian Studies. The award provides assistance towards international airfare and a monthly flat rate allowance for up to a maximum of 6 months spent in Canada while doing research.

## **Research Fields**

Awards may be granted for research in any of the following categories:

1. Although we welcome applications from all disciplines lending themselves most readily to Canadian Studies research development, we are particularly interested in projects that have policy relevance for Canada and Canada's foreign policy. Topics that are highly relevant to Canada's foreign policy include Democracy & Rule of Law, Economic Development, Environment, Managing Diversity, North American Partnership, Peace and Security;
2. Comparative studies with substantial Canadian content (33% or more);
3. Aspects of Canada's bilateral relations with participating countries.

(Purely scientific subjects such as physics, chemistry, medicine, engineering, etc. which would not lead to a better knowledge and understanding of Canada *per se* are not eligible, nor are proposals which focus exclusively on technological or methodological issues).

## **Eligibility**

Applicants must be:

1. a citizen of the country (or have legal resident status) where he/she is submitting an application; NOTE: Applicants who are registered in institutions outside their home country should apply in their country of citizenships.
2. a graduate student in a recognized institution of higher education or equivalent degree-granting institute in the determined country who will have completed course and course-related doctoral requirements by the time a graduate student award would be granted;
3. proficient in either English or French.

## Value of Awards

The maximum value of any award will consist of a contribution towards international airfare (economy class), an allowance of CDN\$ 1,200 per complete month towards expenses while in Canada, up to a maximum of 6 months, and an allocation of CDN\$ 300 upon submission to the appropriate Canadian Mission of a final report on the award. Smaller awards may also be made.

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