

## Trudeau Scholarships

Up to 15 Trudeau Scholarships are awarded each year to support doctoral candidates pursuing research of compelling present-day concern, touching upon one or more of the four themes of the Foundation. Trudeau Scholars are highly gifted individuals who are actively engaged in their fields and expected to become leading national and international figures.

The Scholarship Award

The Trudeau Foundation Doctoral Scholarship is tenable for three years. During their third year, Trudeau Scholars may apply for a thesis writing scholarship or a postdoctoral scholarship, for a fourth year of financing. The Scholarship of up to \$240,000 - for the scholars who will be selected in 2009 - consists of two distinct financial categories:

1. an annual stipend of \$40,000, which is intended to cover the cost of tuition and reasonable living expenses. If a Trudeau Scholar concurrently holds other scholarships or fellowships that allow for the accumulation of awards, and if the total value of those external awards exceeds \$10,000, the Foundation will subtract the amount over \$10,000 from the \$40,000 annual stipend.
2. an annual travel allowance of \$20,000, which is available to support research-related travel and to cover networking expenses associated with the Foundation's Public Interaction program

Far beyond a financial assistance, the Trudeau Scholarship offers award winners the opportunity to interact with an exciting community of leaders and committed individuals in every field of the social sciences and humanities.

Since the beginning of the program in 2003, the Foundation has awarded 85 Trudeau Doctoral Scholarships.

### Selection Criteria and Guidelines

The assessment of nominees for Trudeau Scholarships focuses on the following criteria:

1. academic achievement at the level of the most competitive scholarship programs worldwide;
2. an outstanding ability to engage in lively exchange with other researchers and scholars; and
3. the intention to work in an area related to one or more of the four themes of the Foundation, and a desire to contribute to public dialogue around those themes.

### Selection Process

Trudeau Scholars are selected through a process that involves nomination by a university, an application supported by references and transcripts, internal and external review and selection

panels, an interview, and the formal approval of the Board of Directors.

The Scholars are announced each year during the month of June.

#### Additional information

For further information about the scholarship program, please contact Program Director [Josée St-Martin](#) at 514-938-0001, ext 230.