

Hello all,

Please see below for information on the 2018-19 SSHRC Doctoral Awards Competition.

Applicants must complete the [web-based application form](#) and print, sign and [submit a completed paper application to Deborah Paes \(ES1017A\) by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 25, 2017](#). Along with the application, applicants must submit official transcripts (including U of T transcript, current for 2017-18) and 2 letters of appraisal in sealed envelopes.

Thanks,  
Deborah



## SGS Award Announcement

**Re: 2018-2019 SSHRC Doctoral Awards Competition**

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### Award Overview

<b>Student Submission Deadline:</b>	<b><u>Wednesday, October 25, 2017 (to Deborah Paes – ES1017A)</u></b>
<b>Value/Duration:</b>	CGS D - \$35,000 per year for 36 months SSHRC Fellowship - \$20,000 per year for 12 to 48 months
<b>Level of study:</b>	Doctoral
<b>Required Legal Status:</b>	Domestic (Canadian citizen or permanent resident)
<b>Results:</b>	Late April 2017; provided to applicants by SSHRC via Canada Post

### Purpose

SSHRC offers two types of funding for doctoral students:

- SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships; and
- Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS): Doctoral Scholarships.

Through these scholarships SSHRC aims to develop research skills and assist in the training of highly qualified personnel by supporting students who demonstrate a high standard of scholarly achievement in undergraduate and graduate studies in the social sciences and humanities.

### Eligibility to Apply

To qualify to apply for both the SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships and the Joseph-Armand Bombardier CGS Doctoral Scholarships funding opportunities, applicants must:

- be a citizen or permanent resident of Canada;
- be applying for support to pursue a **first** PhD (or equivalent);
- be pursuing doctoral studies in the social sciences or humanities;
- not have already received a scholarship or fellowship from SSHRC, [NSERC](#) or [CIHR](#) to undertake or complete a doctoral degree or combined MA/PhD; and
- not be applying in the 2017-18 academic year to NSERC or CIHR

It is possible to apply even if admission to a degree program has not yet been assured at the time of application.

### Combined MA/PhD, Fast Track and Direct Entry PhD Programs

- If you are or will be registered in a combined MA/PhD, fast track (accelerating from a master's program into a doctoral program without obtaining the master's degree) or direct entry PhD program, and have completed between **0 and 12 months of graduate-level study by December 31, 2017**, you may be eligible to apply for a [CGS Master's Scholarship](#).
- If you **are currently registered** in a combined MA/PhD, fast track or direct entry PhD program, and have or will have completed **more than 12 months** or more of **graduate-level study** by December 31, 2017, you may **only** apply to the Doctoral Awards funding opportunity.
- **REMINDER:** the first 12 months of a MA/PhD degree **are now counted as doctoral studies** when calculating award eligibility, value and duration.

Please see the [SSHRC website](#) for complete eligibility requirements.

#### 1) Degree Programs

Doctoral Awards are tenable only in degree programs that include significant original, autonomous research that leads to the completion of a dissertation, major scholarly publication, performance, recital and/or exhibit that, as a requirement for completion of the program, is merit reviewed at the institutional level.

#### 2) Subject Matter

Applicants with questions on subject matter eligibility or those whose subject matter touches upon health, should send [SSHRC](#) a one page summary of their research proposal in advance of submitting an application to seek clarification or a written ruling. SSHRC typically responds to these types of inquiries within 3-4 business days.

Applications submitted to SSHRC that would be more appropriately evaluated by NSERC or CIHR will be deemed ineligible and removed from the competition.

SSHRC applicants working in research areas where boundaries overlap or are interdisciplinary are advised to write a strong justification in their application why they believe their proposal is appropriate for support by SSHRC.

#### 3) Holding an Award

On the proposed start date of the award, the awardee must:

- be registered as a full time student, undertaking or continuing a doctoral, combined MA/PhD, fast track or direct entry doctoral program in the social sciences or humanities; and
- not have exceeded the allowable number of months already spent in doctoral study, as set out [Value and Duration](#) (In calculating the value and duration of awards, SSHRC includes all prior doctoral-level studies in the same discipline)

## Application Process

Applicants registered in a degree program in the fall of the application year, or on an approved leave of absence from a Canadian university with a [SSHRC quota](#) must complete the [web-based application form](#), print, sign and submit a completed paper application to their current/proposed graduate unit. All other applicants should apply directly to SSHRC. At the time of application, incoming students need not be assured of admission to a degree program.

A Doctoral Awards application consists of the following documents:

1. [Completed online Doctoral Award application form](#)
2. [Program of Study \(maximum 2 pages\)](#)
3. [Bibliography and Citations \(maximum 5 pages\)](#)
4. [Research Contributions \(if applicable, maximum 1 page\)](#)
5. [Supplement and/or Joint or Special Initiative Justification pages \(if applicable, maximum 1 page per justification\)](#)
6. [Allowable Inclusions \(if applicable, maximum 1 page\)](#)
7. [Letter to Confirm Part-Time Study and/or Leave of Absence \(if applicable, maximum 1 page\)](#)
8. [All undergraduate and graduate level transcripts](#)
9. [Letters of Appraisal \(2 letters, in sealed envelopes; must be on SSHRC's 1 page template, additional pages not accepted\)](#)
10. [Departmental Appraisal](#)
11. [Completed Consent to Disclosure of Personal Information form](#)

All required attachments including original or certified/validated copies of up to date transcripts must be provided with the application printout as additional pages (formatted according to SSHRC specifications). Certification/validation may be performed by the graduate unit. Up-to-date transcripts are defined as transcripts dated or issued in the fall session of the year of application (if registered) or after the last term completed (if not currently registered). Web-based, faxed or photocopied transcripts are not accepted.

## Contacts and Resources

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