

GRADUATE STUDIES (CONTINUED)

Students at Canadian universities are frequently involved in rewarding research opportunities, often during their early undergraduate years. Students can expect to be in close contact with world-class researchers who are engaged in cutting edge work within their respective fields and who see research as an integral component to their classroom teaching. As an international graduate student in Canada, you can offer your unique knowledge and ideas to projects that will contribute directly to the world.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

There are a number of scholarship and award programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels designed to provide opportunities for students of foreign countries to pursue research and studies in Canada. These programs are offered through the federal and provincial governments as well as non-governmental foundations and individual universities.

The federal government offers scholarship programs for graduate students such as the Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS) program that supports 2,500 master's and 2,500 doctoral students annually. As well, the Georges Philias Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships, introduced in 2008, supports 500 Canadian and international doctoral students annually with grants worth \$50,000 per year for up to three years.

More information about scholarships can be found by visiting www.destineducation.ca and www.scholarships.gc.ca.

Some universities offer scholarships in specific programs, while other awards can be more general in nature. Many Canadian universities offer entrance scholarships for international students based on academic merit. You can get more detailed scholarship information from the financial aid offices or web sites of the universities. You should also contact the ministry of education in your home country for information on scholarships for study in Canada.

UNIVERSITIES AS PART OF THE COMMUNITY

Our universities play a vital role in their local communities, offering concerts and plays, day care centres, sports and fitness facilities, lectures, museums, on-campus radio stations and art galleries. Canada's universities are also linked to the international community through more than 3,500 active exchange agreements with university partners around the world. Together, our universities make up a diverse, vibrant, dynamic and high quality network of communities.

Your career. Your future.

Deciding to study at a Canadian university will help you learn how to solve problems, think critically and creatively, present your ideas persuasively, work in teams, gain global skills and make effective decisions – all attributes that are in high demand by today's top employers. Over 70% of new jobs over the next decade will require some form of post-secondary education. Now, and even more in the future, a university degree, a college diploma or some combination of the two will help you get a great job and prepare you for life's challenges.

Upon completion of a Canadian graduate degree, you can feel confident in entering the global workforce armed with new ideas and new ways of understanding the world around you.

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