MEMORANDUM



Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

Date: September 5, 2024

To: Deans, Associate Deans, Graduate Coordinators

From: Melissa Dyck, Coordinator - Graduate Scholarships and Awards

Re: 2024-2025 Tri-Council CGS Master's Competition

Value: \$27,000 (pending Federal Budget approval) over one year, plus a bonus from FGSR of a one time lump sum of \$3,000 at the beginning of your award start.

Indigenous Scholars Awards and Supplements for NSERC and SSHRC (same application as CGS M)

Value: \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous CGS Masters award holders. *Or* a \$27,00 award and a \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous candidates who are on the waitlist for a CGS M program.

PLEASE FORWARD TO FACULTY MEMBERS WITH MASTER'S AND FOURTH YEAR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Important Dates & Deadlines:

- CGS Masters How to Apply Session: September 26 at 1:30pm, via Zoom, to register: <u>https://uregina-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEpf-6gpjovG9XlGqJphok4k -Q2qnQj yq#/registration</u>
- How to Write a Maters Research Proposal: October 10 fomr2:00-3:00 pm, location TBD
- **Deadline: Sunday, December 1** for students to submit their applications online via the Research Portal. *Late applications cannot be accepted, as the portal will lock down.*

Websites - Full information for this competition is found here:

CGS Masters: <u>http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSM-BESCM_eng.asp</u> CGS M Eligibility: <u>https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/CGSM-BESCM_eng.asp#eligibility</u> **Please ensure you are *fully eligible before beginning* an application**_

FGSR's CGS Master's website: <u>https://www.uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/scholarships/external/cgs-masters-cihr-or-nserc-or-sshrc-tri-council.html</u>

Indigenous Scholars Awards and Supplements Pilot Initiative: Offered by NSERC and SSHRC, the pilot initiative will provide, to the limit of available funding, a \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous Canada Graduate Scholarships—Master's program (CGS M) award holders, and provide a \$27,000 (pending Federal Budget approval) award and a \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous candidates who are on the waitlist for the CGS M program. Applicants will use the same application form and follow the same application process as for the CGS M. Please see the link below for full information on this supplement and instructions on how to apply for this Initiative, if fully eligible: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/indigenous_scholars_pilot_initiative-initiative_pilote_universitaires_autochtones-eng.aspx#4
Black Student Funding:

CGS M applicants who self-identify as Black and provide consent in their application to be considered for funds designated for specific groups may be eligible to receive this funding through a scholarship as part of this initiative. Each agency has a limited number of additional CGS M awards reserved. **For more information consult the Frequently asked questions about the new Black scholars:** <u>https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/policies-politiques/FAQBlackScholars-FAQUniversitairesNoirs_eng.asp</u>

San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment: https://sfdora.org/

In 2019, NSERC, CIHR and SSHRC, along with other Canadian research funding agencies, signed the <u>San Francisco</u> <u>Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA)</u>. As such, the agencies are committed to meaningful assessment of excellence in research funding and to ensuring that a wide range of research results and outcomes are considered and valued as part of the assessment process. They will continue work to ensure that their strategies, policies, and guidance align with DORA.

<u>CGS Masters Allocations</u>: for the University of Regina for this competition: <u>http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/CGSAllocations-QuotasBESC_eng.asp</u> CIHR allocation – 3 NSERC allocation – 5 SSHRC allocation – 9

Transcripts (VERY IMPORTANT—PLEASE READ IN FULL):

Students are required to **upload** <u>ALL OFFICIAL and UP TO DATE undergraduate and graduate transcripts</u>, including transcripts from institutions where you may have received ANY transfer credits from. Up-to-date transcripts are defined as transcripts dated or issued in the <u>FALL SESSION</u> of THIS year of application (if currently registered), or after the last term completed (if not currently registered). If this is your first semester at the University of Regina, you must include transcripts from the University of Regina also to show your registration for this fall. Please know web transcripts or copies from your student account are not eligible</u>. It is also important to include one (1) copy of the legend from each transcript. Failure to do this will render an application ineligible in the competition. Students can apply for awards at up to 3 universities. The awards are not portable between institutions. This means students must hold the scholarship at the awarding university. Students can only apply to one Tri-Council agency. Students <u>MUST</u> apply for admission to their chosen program by the program deadline, in order to be considered.

<u>Creating a CCV</u>: Students are required to complete a Common CV (CCV) which they will be required to attach to their application. Please find CGS M instructions for creating a CCV here:

https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/CCV_CGSM-CVC_BESCM_eng.asp

CCV FAQ's: <u>https://ccv-cvc.ca/indexresearcherhelp-eng.frm</u>

CCV help: 613-995-4273 or email: webapp@nserc-crsng.gc.ca

Please contact us at grad.funding@uregina.ca and we can send you our CCV How to Cheat Sheet which will guide you step by step.

*Please use <u>grad.funding@uregina.ca</u> as the email address for all correspondence. **Please be clear in subject line** and include your name and ID.*

STUDENTS: Please ensure you have your Supervisor, Department Head, Associate Dean and other academic mentors proofread your application *well ahead of the deadline*. Each of them can provide you with feedback to

help make your application the best it can be. Also, please know that on the deadline day, the online application portal is VERY busy and students can get booted off the portal. So, to avoid not being able to submit in time, please submit WELL AHEAD of the deadline, as life happens. Please know late applications cannot be accepted under any circumstances as the portal locks down.

Tri Agency Contact Information: CIHR CGS Master's email: <u>cgsma@cihr-irsc.gc.ca</u> NSERC CGS Masters email: <u>schol@nserc-crsng.gc.ca</u> SSHRC CGS Masters email: <u>fellowships@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca</u>