

Aboriginal Student Recruitment Fund

Summary

The School of Graduate Studies offers special funding to recruit Aboriginal students in accordance with the recommendations of Memorial University's 2009 Report of the Presidential Task Force on Aboriginal Initiatives. Memorial University understands 'Aboriginal' as having First Nations, Inuit or Métis ancestry. Most of Memorial's Aboriginal students come from various areas of Newfoundland and Labrador, as well as other provinces across Canada.

This funding is aimed at supporting Aboriginal students and increasing the enrolment of Aboriginal students in graduate programs. SGS will offer additional fellowship funding to academic units recommending admission for Aboriginal graduate students. This funding will be for either masters or PhD programs, and will be outside departmental baseline budgets. This funding may be coupled with normal baseline fellowship monies to offer competitive support for highly qualified Aboriginal graduate students.

Funding levels

\$5,000/year, renewable for up to four years (for master's students, renewable for up to two years)

Eligibility

- Graduate students must self-identify Aboriginal status on their application for admission to graduate school;
- Provide documentation of Aboriginal ancestry(a status card or letter) no later than one month after the start of the first semester
- All graduate students funded through ASRF must be registered full-time, enrolled in a research-based graduate program and attain a minimum of 70% in the last 20 attempted courses.

To apply

Recommendations for the award may be made on the Program of Study form when recommending an application for entry to SGS (use code "ASRF").