



NSERC CGS-M SCHOLARSHIP
SSHRC CGS-M SCHOLARSHIP
CIHR CGS-M SCHOLARSHIP

School of Graduate Studies
Memorial University
November 2021

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the lands on which Memorial University's campuses are situated are in the traditional territories of diverse Indigenous groups, and we acknowledge with respect the diverse histories and cultures of the Beothuk, Mi'kmaq, Innu, and Inuit of this province.

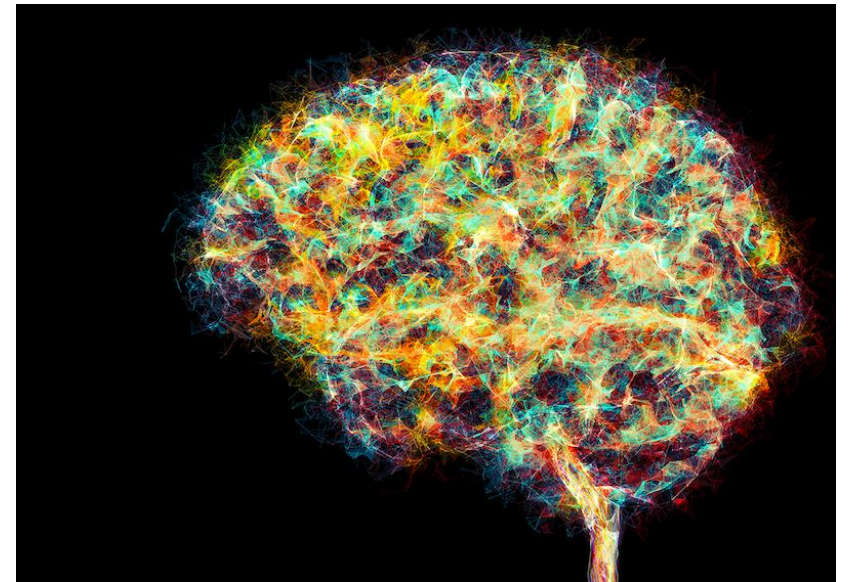
WELCOME

- Dr. Ann Dorward, Associate Professor of BioMedical Sciences
- Dr. Eric Vander Wal, Associate Professor of Biology
- Dr. Stephen Ellenbogen, Associate Professor, School of Social Work
- Carol Sullivan, BBA, MBA, Manager of Awards and Scholarships, School of Graduate Studies (SGS)
- Gail Lamkin, Scholarships Officer, School of Graduate Studies (SGS)
- Moderator: Lilia Forte, Special Projects Coordinator, School of Graduate Studies (SGS)

OVERVIEW: WHAT WILL BE DISCUSSED TODAY

- Brief Overview
- Eligibility
- Application components
- Award Criteria
- Submission Process
- Times/Submission deadlines
- Writing Workshop
- Questions with our expert guests

■**We will not discuss the mechanics of writing– that is the focus of the writing workshop



BRIEF OVERVIEW

The Tri-Agency:

CIHR—Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarships Awards; The intended outcome(s) must primarily improve or impact health and/or produce more effective health services and products and/or strengthen the Canadian health care system.

NSERC—Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarships; The intended objective(s) must advance knowledge in one or more of natural science or engineering disciplines.

SSHRC—Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships; intended outcome(s) must add to our understanding and knowledge of individuals, groups, and societies - what we think, how we live, and how we interact with each other and the world around us.

BRIEF OVERVIEW: CGS-M

Objective

“...to help develop research skills and assist in the training of highly qualified personnel by supporting students who demonstrate a high standard of achievement in undergraduate and early graduate studies.”

Value

\$17,500 for 12 months (non-renewable)

Memorial Quota

- NSERC=11
- SSHRC=16
- CIHR=5



ELIGIBILITY

Must be a Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident, or Protected Person*

Academic Standing: maintained 1st class average in last two years MUN GPA 3.5 or better

Intend to pursue full time grad studies and research in the following year

Completed (as of Dec 31, 2021), no more than 12 months of full-time studies in the master's program for which you are requesting funding

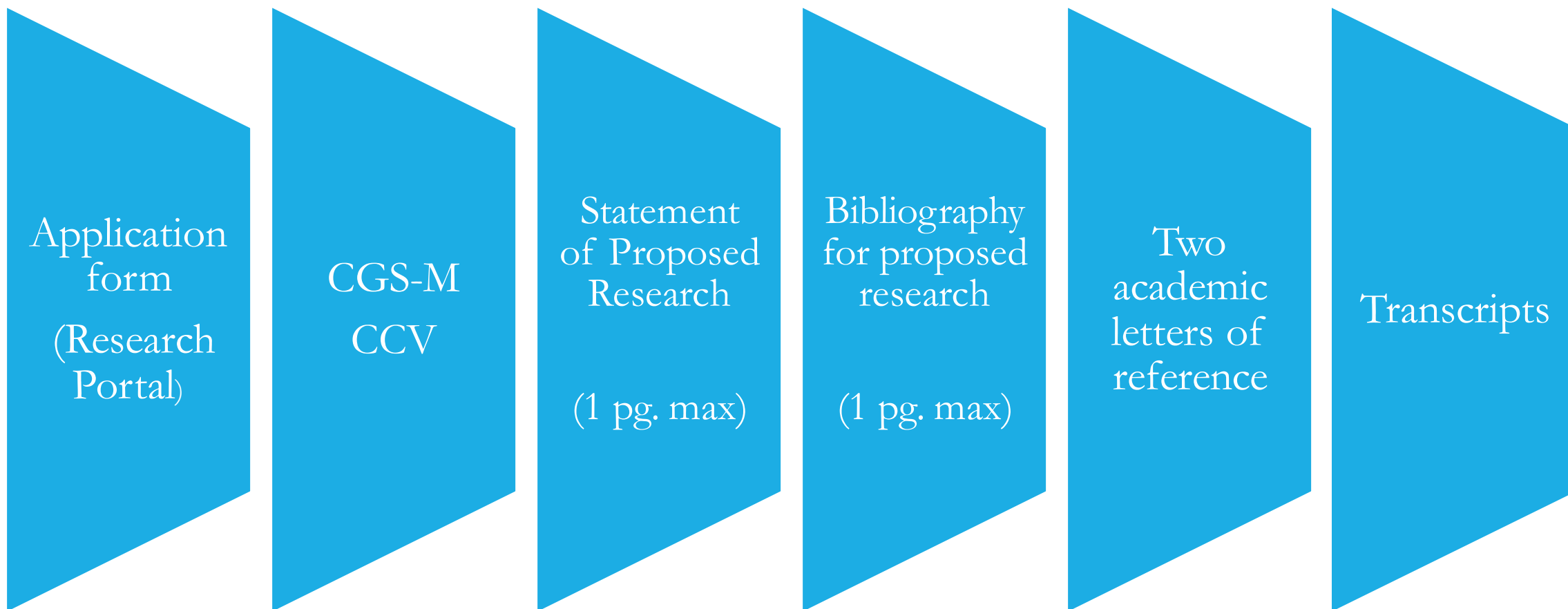
Only one Tri-Agency at a time/ one per year

ELIGIBILITY

It is important to remember that departmental or SGS base funding will be replaced by CGS-M yearly funding as well as a \$5,000 yearly Dean's Excellence Award for successful candidates.

You cannot hold MUN base funding in addition to the CGS-M award and the Dean's Excellence Award.

APPLICATION PACKAGE



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- Application form
- Summary of Proposal (1800 characters in length)
- If you select health as your field of research, you must provide a Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) personal identification number (PIN). It takes up to one full working day to process your CIHR PIN request.

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➤ **Statement of proposed research (1 page max):**

- Provide background information to position your proposed research within the context of current knowledge in the field.
- State the objectives and hypothesis and outline the experimental or theoretical approach to be taken (citing literature pertinent to the proposal) and the methods and procedures to be used.
- State the significance of the proposed research to a field or fields in the health sciences, natural sciences and/or engineering, or social sciences and/or humanities, as appropriate.
- Outline the objectives of your research, the context, methodology and contribution to the advancement of knowledge.

APPLICATION PACKAGE

- Bibliography and citations (1page max):

Format = same as discipline. bibliography should include citations for all works referenced in the research proposal.

- Canadian common CV (CCV) (online form)

- Two references

- Official Transcripts (undergrad and grad is applicable).

APPLICATION PACKAGE

- About the Official Transcripts:
 - Remember to scan both sides of Official transcript
 - Only include one copy of the legend per university as required.
 - If starting their master's program at Memorial this semester (Fall 2021), the applicants are required to upload an official MUN transcript to their application to confirm that they are registered at Memorial for the Fall semester.
 - Official MUN transcripts are \$10.00 and can be requested through self-service (Student menu > Academic Information > Request Official Transcript).
Requests are processed by order of requesting.
 - Other Universities request process for official transcripts will vary.
 - **Be sure to give yourself enough time to request and receive your official transcripts before the internal deadline!**

[For more information on the selection criteria, please click here.](#)

CGS-M AWARD CRITERIA

Academic
Excellence
(50%)

Research
Potential
(30%)

Personal
Characteristics
and
Interpersonal
Skills (20%)

CGS-M AWARD CRITERIA

➤ **Academic excellence 50%**

Examples: grades, awards, length of previous study, type of program and courses pursued, course load, relative academic standing at the institution

➤ **Research potential 30%**

Examples: quality and originality of contributions to research and development, relevant work experience and academic training, significance, feasibility, and merit of proposed research, judgement and ability to think critically, ability to apply skills & knowledge to research, initiative and autonomy, research experience and achievements relative to expectations of someone with the applicant's academic experience

➤ **Personal characteristics and interpersonal skills 20%**

Examples: work experience, leadership experience, project management including organizing conferences and meetings, ability or potential to communicate theoretical, technical or scientific concepts clearly and logically in written and oral formats, involvement in academic life, volunteerism/community outreach

SUBMISSION PROCESS

- All parts of the applications are submitted online (Research Portal);
- All required attachments must be uploaded;
- All letters of support must be submitted using the online portal system;
- All official transcripts must be uploaded.

TIMELINE/DEADLINES

December 1st
2021

- Complete applications due via portal (including official transcripts)

Starting April 1st
2022

- Results released

TIPS

- Start now
- Read *ALL* the instructions
- Get transcripts
- Contact letter writers
- Seek advice on Program of Study
- Proofread everything multiple times
- Get someone other than you to proof



IMPORTANT CONTACTS

- Program Officer (CIHR): support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca
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QUESTIONS FOR OUR EXPERTS?



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WRITING WORKSHOPS

Two online writing workshops will be held on November 18th (12:00-3:00pm; 6:00-9:00pm) through Webex.

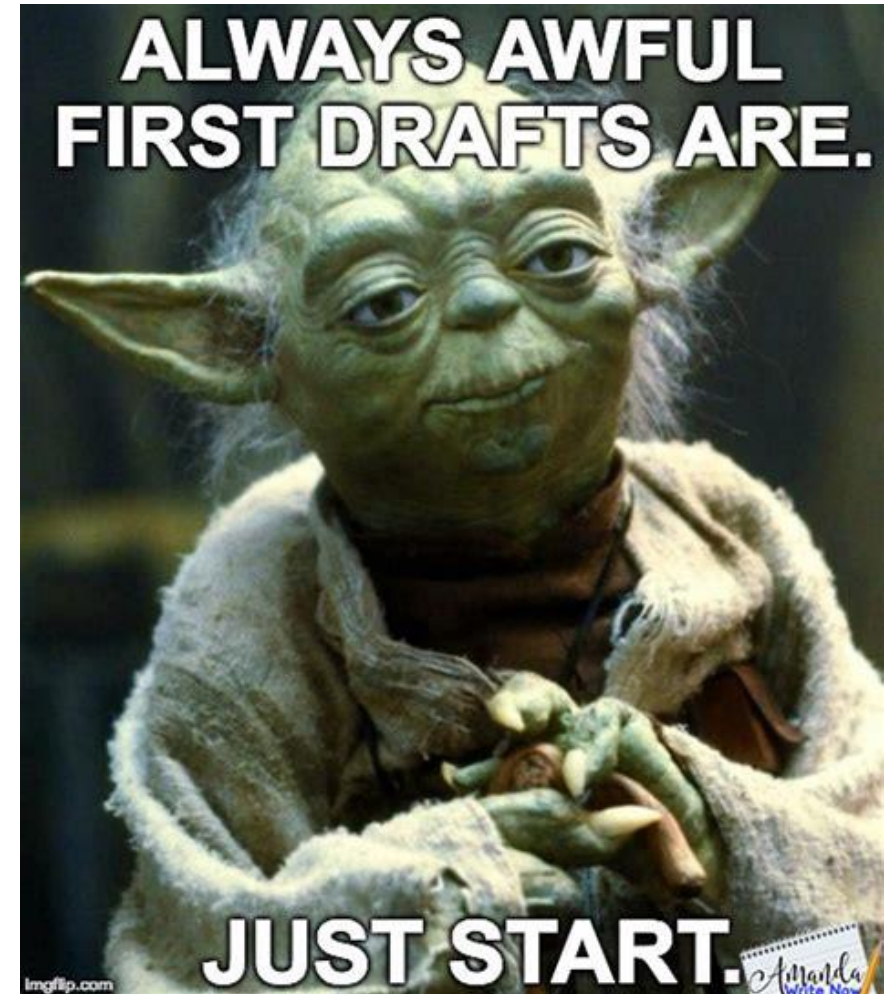
These workshops will cover the same material but participants are welcome to attend both.

Previous Tri-Council CGS-M recipients, as well as Writing Centre Tutor Jacinda Sinclair and Lilia Forte from SGS will facilitate and provide feedback.

These workshops will focus on:

- Writing resources for grant applications
- Examples of successful applications
- How to guides for writing different sections of your grant
- Review and editing tips to polish your piece
- Writing exercises
- Peer review

You can register here or through the [awards and scholarship page](#)



OTHER WORKSHOPS OR SESSIONS

- **Get a Head Start: Tips for the Canadian Common CV (CCV)**

Wednesday, November 17th, 11 am

For more information: https://www.mun.ca/edge/Workshops_Events/Workshops_Events_Cal/

- **For more information about the CCV: <https://ccv-cvc.ca>**

- **NSERC CGS M Q&A sessions.**

November 15 – November 19

Playlist - Scholarships & Fellowships program application tutorials:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL6ox0GB7vXYlhaAY7mEqwmMqYK9TGCp1E>

Thank you for joining us and all the best with your application preparation!!!

