

The Vanier CGS program aims to attract and retain world-class doctoral students by supporting students who demonstrate both leadership skills and a high standard of scholarly achievement in graduate studies in social sciences and humanities, natural sciences and engineering, and health.

Please note that the Vanier CGS competition is separate and distinct from the NSERC and SSHRC scholarship competitions. Award announcements for both the NSERC and SSHRC competitions will follow shortly. Eligible students who are interested in applying for the Vanier competition are asked to consult with their supervisor, or with Deborah Paes prior to submitting their application.

Award Overview:

Graduate Unit Deadline: September 30, 2013 - final day to submit applications to Deborah Paes, Forestry, ES1017A

Value/Duration: \$50,000 per year for three years

Level of study: To support PhD, or combined MA/PhD or MD/PhD

Required Legal Status: Domestic or International

Eligibility:

To be considered for a Vanier CGS, applicants must:

- be pursuing their **first** doctoral degree (or combined MA/PhD or MD/PhD) fulltime at the nominating university in the academic year immediately following the of release of results in March 2014;
- have completed no more than 20 months of doctoral studies as of May 1, 2014 ([see website](#));
- have achieved a first-class average (A-), in **each** of the last two years of full-time study or equivalent;
- have not already received a doctoral-level scholarship or fellowship from [CIHR](#), [SSHRC](#) or [NSERC](#) to undertake or complete a doctoral degree (or combined MA/PhD or MD/PhD); and
- be nominated by only one Canadian university, which has received a [Vanier CGS allocation](#)

Nominations:

Students wishing to apply for a Vanier CGS must do so through the Canadian university to which they are applying for doctoral studies. The Vanier CGS program strongly encourages candidates to pursue their studies beyond the university that granted their previous degree(s).

Application Process:

Please refer applicants to the Vanier website for [eligibility requirements](#), [nomination](#) and step-by step [application instructions](#); Please note the following:

- Candidates must 1) print and provide to Deborah Paes, Faculty of Forestry, ES1017A, a paper copy of their complete application including all original transcripts and 2) electronically submit the online application via ResearchNet, **by September 30, 2013.**
- Forestry can only access candidate online applications that have been completed and electronically submitted; applications still in progress by the candidate will not be evident or visible on the system
- Students should complete the “Identify Referee” task on ResearchNet well in advance as assessments must be completed and submitted to ResearchNet before students can complete the submission process
- The students’ proposed research project and doctoral program of study must be eligible within the mandate of the agency to which the nomination will be submitted. If in doubt, students are urged to seek written confirmation by the tri-council in advance of submitting their application. Complete guidelines on selecting the appropriate federal granting agency are available at www.science.gc.ca

Contact Info:

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