

## Owerko Centre Graduate Scholarship Award Description

### Description:

Owerko Centre Graduate Scholarship Awards are internal awards that provide stipend support to trainees currently pursuing graduate research. These awards are intended to support graduate students who do not currently hold any other competitive scholarship funding. The goal of these awards is to ensure that the Owerko Centre continues to build a diverse and inclusive training community of graduate students.

*\*Please note that Owerko Centre Graduate Scholarships may only be used for stipend support. These awards are intended to support trainees during full-time academic studies and research related to their degree. Any other employment and awards must be reported to the Owerko Centre promptly. Tuition and other fees for the Faculty of Graduate Studies are the responsibility of the student.*

**Award value:** \$10,000

### Eligibility:

- All applicants must have an Owerko Centre investigator as their primary supervisor
- Registered thesis-based graduate student (Masters, PhD) at UCalgary with a minimum of 12 months left in their program.
- May not hold other internal or external competitive scholarships at the time of receiving the award
- Applicants cannot have held a graduate tri-council award at any time
- Only one Owerko Centre Graduate Scholarship per trainee's level of study will be awarded

### Application requirements and instructions:

- Completed application form signed by their Owerko Centre member supervisor
- One 250 word (max) summary of the trainee's research program
- One 250 word (max) personal statement that describes experiences, interests, creative endeavors, achievements as well as any volunteer, service, or leadership activities.
- One 250 word (max) answer to the following statement: Please describe in a statement your journey to graduate education and your future goals, including any challenges or barriers you may have faced.
- 2-page version of the applicant's CV
- Combine all into a single PDF document and send to [owerko.centre@ucalgary.ca](mailto:owerko.centre@ucalgary.ca)

### Evaluation criteria:

Eligible applications will be reviewed by selected Owerko Center Executive Committee member(s) or members. Applications will be adjudicated based on the following criteria:

- Excellence of the candidate, including research excellence and originality;
- Consideration of the applicant's pathway and journey to graduate school, in addition to conventional academic achievement. These considerations include personal achievements and circumstances, such as demonstrated intellectual curiosity, creativity, talents, responsibilities to family and/or community, volunteer involvement, and geographical factors; and
- Alignment of the proposed program of study with the [mission, vision, values, and goals](#) of the Owerko Centre.

Please submit any questions to [Owerko.Centre@ucalgary.ca](mailto:Owerko.Centre@ucalgary.ca).