



# Graduate scholarships and awards

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2025



**GRADUATE FUNDING  
OPPORTUNITIES &  
SCHOLARSHIPS  
AT AU**



# What makes sense for you?

Types of support:

- Financial aid
- Sponsorship
- Bursaries
- Scholarships and awards
- Research-focused funding

Don't forget about AUGSA!

# 2024/2025

**\$887,847**

was awarded to AU's graduate students.

**\$415,000**

in Government of Alberta scholarships (Alberta Graduate Excellence Scholarships and Alberta Innovates Graduate Student Scholarship) were awarded to a total of 35 graduate students.

**Where to look:**

<https://www.athabascau.ca/graduate-studies/about/graduate-funding/index.html>



**RESEARCH  
OPPORTUNITIES  
AT AU**



# Research assistantships

Athabasca University researchers often hire research assistants to help further their academic research.

Duties of a research assistant may include:

- Conducting literature reviews
- Assisting with other activities such as:
  - developing research methodologies and related research instruments
  - collecting, organizing and recording data
  - computing statistics and data analysis
  - recruiting research participants
  - conducting interviews under established protocols
  - participating in research dissemination
  - so much more...

<https://www.athabascau.ca/research/funding-and-assistance/research-assistant-opportunities.html>

# Tri- Agency who?



Natural Sciences and Engineering  
Research Council of Canada

Conseil de recherches en sciences  
naturelles et en génie du Canada

Canada



Social Sciences and Humanities  
Research Council of Canada

Conseil de recherches en  
sciences humaines du Canada

Canada



Canadian Institutes  
of Health Research

Instituts de recherche  
en santé du Canada



# Canada Graduate Scholarships

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Allocations: 3 SSHRC; 2 NSERC; 1 CIHR

Deadline: December 1, 2025

Value: \$27,000 for 12 months

## Indigenous Scholars Awards and Supplements Pilot Initiative

- The Indigenous Scholars Awards and Supplements Pilot Initiative will provide financial support to meritorious Indigenous students who have applied to the CGS M.
  - The Indigenous Scholars Award is valued at \$27,000 over 12 months.
  - The Indigenous Scholars Supplement is valued at \$5,000 over 12 months.

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# Alberta Innovates Graduate Student Scholarship

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Alberta Innovates GSS supports academically superior graduate students who are receiving training and conducting research in areas that are strategically important to Alberta's economy.

Deadline: December 1, 2025

Value: Up to \$26,000 per year for up to 2 years

<https://www.athabascau.ca/graduate-studies/about/graduate-funding.html>



**READY TO DISSEMINATE?**





# Graduate Student Research Fund

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GSRF funding can support costs associated with meeting community protocols, as well as travel costs, research equipment and incentives to participate in the research.

Deadlines: Opens April 1 and September 1 (budget-dependent)

Value: up to \$1,000 to conduct research  
up to \$3,000 to disseminate research  
up to \$2,000 to publish research

<https://www.athabascau.ca/graduate-studies/about/graduate-funding.html>

# **AWARDS PORTAL**



# SAMS

## STUDENT AWARDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM:

Fully integrated

Single sign-on

Searchable awards database

Automatic matching

<https://www.athabascau.ca/support-services/financial-aid-and-awards/awards.html>

# Questions?

## FIND US

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## RESOURCES

**FGS graduate funding:** <https://www.athabascau.ca/graduate-studies/about/graduate-funding>

**Student awards portal:** <https://www.athabascau.ca/support-services/financial-aid-and-awards/awards.html>

**AUGSA:** <https://augsa.com/awards-and-bursaries>

**SFA:** <https://www.athabascau.ca/support-services/financial-aid-and-awards/index.html>

**Write Site:** <https://www.athabascau.ca/write-site/index.html>

**Research assistant opportunities:** <https://www.athabascau.ca/research/funding-and-assistance/research-assistant-opportunities.html>

**Nearpeer:** <https://nearpeer.net/app/welcome>