

St. Thomas More Indigenous Graduate Student Fellowship

Call for Applications

The Indigenous Graduate Student Fellowship at St. Thomas More College (STM-IGSF) provides an Indigenous graduate student with opportunities to develop teaching and research skills necessary for a successful academic career. The Indigenous Graduate Student Fellowship emphasizes the importance of community-engaged scholarship and the Teacher-Scholar model. The STM-IGS fellow will work with a mentoring faculty member at St. Thomas More College on opportunities for the fellow to integrate research with teaching.

The STM-IGS fellow is expected to participate in the intellectual life of St. Thomas More College and will be invited to engage with the broader community of the college. The fellow's duties may include, but are not limited to, publicly presenting on the research undertaken while holding the fellowship or participating in conferences hosted by the College.

Value of Award

Financial Terms of the Award: The Indigenous Graduate Student Fellowship is valued at \$18,000.00 per annum. This includes \$12,000 from September to April (\$1,500 per month), a summer supplement (\$4,000), and travel supplement (\$2,000).

- a. Fellows are eligible to apply for the travel supplement (\$2,000), which can be used to assist the costs associated with conference travel for the presentation of a research paper.
- b. Fellows are also eligible to apply for the summer supplement (\$1,000 per month May to August).

Duration of Award

The term of the Indigenous Graduate Student Fellowship is one year. Fellows in a PhD program are eligible to apply for a one-year renewal.

Application

Preference will be given to a graduate student whose area of research focuses on Indigenous issues or culture contributing to the distinctive areas of research of St. Thomas More College.

Eligibility Criteria:

a. An Indigenous student in a MA or PhD program nearing the completion of their program. PhD candidates will be given preference, although an exceptional MA student may be selected.



- b. Priority will be given to Indigenous graduate students whose traditional territory falls, at least in part, within Canada. This includes Canadian First Nations, Métis, or Inuit students.
- c. Applicants may or may not be University of Saskatchewan graduate students at the time of application; however, University of Saskatchewan students will be given preference.
- d. The applicant should identify a faculty member of St. Thomas More College (mentoring faculty member) prior to their application.

Application Deadline

The deadline for submitting a complete application package is **July 30, 2024**.

Application Package:

- a. Letter of Intent (two pages) outlining
 - research program,
 - teaching experience (if applicable), and
 - community engaged research (if applicable)
- b. Academic Transcripts
- c. Three Letters of Recommendation:
 - One by the applicant's MA or PhD supervisor
 - One by the identified faculty member of St. Thomas More College (the fellow's mentor)
 - One other academic reference

Application packages and inquiries can be sent to Laura Mitchell (<u>lmitchell@stmcollege.ca</u>).