QEII-GSST Application Instructions
How to complete and submit an application
(Recipients may not concurrently hold an OGS, QEII-GSST or a Tri-Council award)

APPLICATION FORM
QEII-GSST Application Form (PDF fillable format).
- Fill out all required fields.
- You can add a page to list all of your previous studies.

SCHOLARSHIPS Section
- Fill out the section “Scholarships” on the QEII-GSST Application Form.
- You may wish to attach a page or pages with a complete list of your scholarships/awards, prizes, and distinctions.

RESEARCH STATEMENT
- You are limited to two pages with two cm margins and 12-point font.
- Applicants must be pursuing research-based programs with a thesis or major research paper and are required to provide a solid outline of their research proposal.
- For example, how will you answer your research question(s) (your approach/methodology)? What are your guiding research questions? What are the objectives of your research project? How will the literature help you answer your research question(s)? What is your contribution to knowledge? Contextualize your research to fit your program and/or your supervisor’s research.
- Provide a work plan that sketches how and when you will pursue each major phase of your research.
- Bibliographies and references (if any) can be included on one (1) additional page.

RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS
- Please list all research contributions (your historical).
- Research contributions could be: books, monographs, book chapters, articles, conference proceedings, papers presented at scholarly meetings or conferences, articles in professional or trade journals, book reviews, published reviews of your work, research reports, policy papers, public lectures, patents, abstracts, posters, broadcast and text interviews, creative works, creative or artistic works (such as novels, videos, films, visual art works, sound recordings, exhibition catalogues), etc.
- Group contributions by category, list most recent contributions first. Categories should be divided with refereed contributions, non-refereed contributions, forthcoming contributions, submitted contributions and literary and artistic works. Please provide complete bibliographic details when applicable.
- Do not cluster a poster, a conference presentation and a journal article all relating to the same topic, list them separately.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (you are required to have two letters of recommendation)
Choose referees who are able to assess your skills in an academic setting, such as acquired knowledge, originality, ability at research, research potential, industriousness, judgment and oral and written skills. Ideally, your supervisor should be one of your referees.
- Ensure that your referees will give you an excellent recommendation.
- Provide them with your CV, your research statement, your transcripts, a sample of your writing (i.e. a well-received essay), a list of your accomplishments worthy of mention in their letter, etc.

ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF SIGNIFICANCE AND SPECIAL CONSIDERATION
You may wish to add the following if pertinent.
- Significant accomplishments could include teaching/research assistantships and other evidence of scholarly activities, involvement in the community or student organizations, volunteer work, demonstration of leadership roles, etc.
- Please use margins of two cm and 12-point font
- You may provide a short description of exceptional circumstances deemed to have had an effect on performance or productivity, including any delays in completing a degree, an absence from studies, etc.
- You are limited to 100 words to describe your special consideration.

TRANSCRIPTS
Up-to-date copy of ALL undergraduate and graduate studies must be included.
- Transcripts must be issued by the Registrar’s Office.
- Up-to-date transcripts include final grades for your last term of studies.
- For University of Ottawa transcripts only, you may submit a PDF copy of your transcript available via uoZone.
- If the transcript is in a language other than English or French, you must submit a certified translated version in French or English.
- A copy of the legend (often found at the back of the transcript) must be included except for Canadian transcripts.
- If a course or courses were taken in another university or if you participated in an exchange, the student must submit the transcript even if the marks appear on your home university. This does not apply to candidates admitted to a program at the University of Ottawa.

- If transcripts are not provided for all study listed in your QEII-GSST application, the selection committee(s) will have less information on which to base their assessment, which may put your application at a disadvantage.

Note: If one of the transcripts is not legible, yourQEII-GSST application will be considered incomplete and will not be considered for an award.

NOTICE OF COLLECTION, APPLICANT’S CONSENT AND APPLICANT’S DECLARATION
Please click here to download the form.
- Read carefully.
- If you agree Check “I Agree”.
- Sign and date the form.

If you do not agree, your QEII-GSST application will be rendered incomplete and will not be considered for a QEII-GSST.

Your QEII-GSST application with all supporting documents must be submitted to the Graduate Office and Postdoctoral Studies of the Faculty of the proposed studies you have indicated on your application form. Please consult Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies website to find out the deadline to apply for this scholarship.

Mandatory documents:
- QEII-GSST Application Form.
- Research Statement (two pages maximum).
- Complete transcripts (grading scales required for non-Canadian universities).
- Two letters of recommendation.
- Letter from the business, organization or individual who will be providing one third of the funds.
- Signed Notice of Collection, applicant’s consent and applicant’s declaration.

Optional documents:
- Bibliography and references (One page maximum).
- Research Contributions.
- Accomplishments.
- Special Circumstances (100 words maximum).

The deadline is firm. If there is one of the mandatory documents or part of a mandatory document missing by the deadline, your application will be rendered incomplete and will not be considered for a QEII-GSST.

If you have any questions, please contact the Graduate Programs Office in your Faculty or Institute.