

Affiliated Fellowships / Tri-Agency Selection Criteria

Science/Engineering & Health Sciences NSERC & Affiliated Fellowships

Applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria and weightings.

Academic Excellence

NSERC CGS/PGSM & Affiliated Fellowships master's applicants: **50%**
NSERC CGS/PGSD & Affiliated Fellowships doctoral applicants: **30%**

Indicators of Academic Excellence are:

- academic record,
- scholarships and awards held (competitiveness, amount, duration and prestige),
- duration of previous studies, and
- department ranking and comments.

Research Ability or Potential

NSERC CGS/PGSM & Affiliated Fellowships master's applicants: **30%**
NSERC CGS/PGSD & Affiliated Fellowships doctoral applicants: **50%**

Indicators of Research Ability or Potential are:

- quality of contributions to research and development,
- relevance of work experience and academic training to field of proposed research,
- significance, feasibility, and merit of proposed research, and justification for location of tenure,
- ability to think critically,
- ability to apply skills and knowledge,
- judgment and originality,
- initiative and autonomy,
- enthusiasm for research, and
- determination and ability to complete projects within an appropriate time period.

Communication, Interpersonal and Leadership Abilities

NSERC CGS/PGSM & Affiliated Fellowships master's applicants: **20%**
NSERC CGS/PGSD & Affiliated Fellowships doctoral applicants: **20%**

Indicators of Communication, Interpersonal and Leadership Abilities are:

- The ability or potential to communicate scientific concepts clearly and logically in written and oral formats. For example, this could include:
 - quality of the application's presentation,
 - participation in preparing publications (*e.g.* statement of contribution), and
 - awards for oral presentations, posters or papers.
- Professional and relevant extracurricular interactions and collaborations. For example, this could include:
 - mentoring,
 - teaching,
 - supervisory experience,
 - project management,
 - chairing committees,
 - organizing conferences and meetings, and
 - elected positions held.

Social Science/Humanities – Doctoral SSHRC & Affiliated Fellowships

SSHRC CGS Doctoral & Affiliated Fellowships Doctoral

Applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- past academic results, demonstrated by transcripts, awards and distinctions,
- the program of study and research and its potential contribution to the advancement of knowledge,
- relevant professional and academic experience, including research training, as evidenced by papers presented at conferences and the candidate's publication record,
- evaluations of two referees, and
- the departmental/institutional rankings of applicants.

There are no weightings prescribed by SSHRC for doctoral scholarship applications; however, the NSERC weightings for doctoral applications may be used as a guideline.

Social Science/Humanities – Master's SSHRC & Affiliated Fellowships

SSHRC CGS Master's & Affiliated Fellowships Master's

Applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria and weightings.

Academic Excellence: 60%

Academic excellence—as demonstrated by academic transcripts, awards and distinctions.

Research Potential: 30%

The following characteristics are demonstrated in the description of program of study and by work experience, research contributions, letters of appraisal, and, if applicable, the departmental appraisal.

- quality of analytical skills
- ability to think critically
- ability to apply skills and knowledge
- judgment
- originality
- initiative and autonomy
- determination and ability to complete projects within an appropriate period of time

Communication Skills: 10%

Oral and written communication skills. As demonstrated in the description of the program of study and, if relevant, by work experience, community involvement and other extracurricular activities, as well as by letters of appraisal, the quality of presentation of the application and, if applicable, the departmental appraisal.