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PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS FUNDING 2026-27 GUIDELINES



APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 27, 2026

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OVERVIEW OF THE FUNDING PROGRAM

Goal: To provide financial assistance and recognize academic performance of graduate students in the College of Medicine at the University Saskatchewan.

The "Pathways to Success" funding program is specifically designed for graduate students at the College of Medicine who face financial need, providing financial support to help them excel in their academic and professional endeavors. This program aims to enhance students' research opportunities, facilitate their participation in conferences and workshops, and aid in the development of essential skills that contribute to their future careers. By addressing financial barriers, "Pathways to Success" enables students to fully engage in their studies, conduct meaningful research, and contribute to the medical community.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Length and Value of Awards

- One-time award amount of \$5,000.
- Pathways to Success Funding are awarded by monthly payments (5 months).

Eligibility

- College of Medicine graduate students (MSc., MD/Ph.D. or Ph.D.) are eligible to apply if:
 - They are of full-time status and in good standing for the duration of the award
 - They are in one of the following departments: Anatomy, Physiology, and Pharmacology (APP), Biochemistry, Microbiology & Immunology (BMI), Community Health and Epidemiology (CHEP), Health Sciences (HSC), or Biological Psychiatry (BioPsych).
 - They have not been previously awarded the Pathways to Success Funding
- College of Medicine graduate students are not eligible if they are entering the program – must be enrolled

Funding

- Applicants can submit one application for funding per academic year if previous applications are unsuccessful. Intake for applications will occur on the following date:
 - February 9th, 2026
 - Please note: All applications will be due by 4pm on February 27th, 2026.
- Award decisions will be sent to successful applicants by March 16th, 2026.
- Signed award letters will be due to ovdr.grad@usask.ca by March 23rd, 2026.
- Successful applicants will receive their funding beginning on April 1st, 2026.
- Funding will end on August 31st, 2026
- The number of awards will be based on annual budget.

- Applicants can receive funding one time only throughout their graduate program.
- Award conditions:
 - If a student graduates or discontinues their program of study, OVDR must be notified, and funding will be terminated.
 - If a student goes on a leave of absence, OVDR must be notified, and funding may be paused or terminated.

Application Instructions

To be considered for the Pathways to Success Funding program:

- Each applicant is required to complete and submit the [‘Pathways to Success – Student Application’](#) survey by 4pm on February 27th, 2026.

Confidentiality Statement

Applications submitted to the Office of the Vice Dean Research (OVDR) for graduate student funding programs, including Pathways to Success, are treated as confidential.

Contact

For questions about eligibility, guidelines, or application process please contact ovdr.grad@usask.ca