2023 Guidelines
Health Sciences Tuition Award Program

Application Deadline: November 17, 2023 at 4:30 pm

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Purpose

This award was established to provide financial support to graduate students in the Health Sciences Graduate Program who are classified as ineligible for regular stipend/scholarship support due to engagement in professional employment (>20 hours per week) or training activities that preclude a full-time focus on their graduate studies. The specific intent of this program is to support those training for or working within healthcare fields including post-graduate medical residents, nurses, physical therapists, social workers, etc. Please note, however, that financial need is a criterion for selection.

Amount and Duration

The tuition awards are valued at 50% of domestic graduate tuition (currently 50% of $4,932) to be paid in one installment (Winter 2024 term). Priority will be given to those students whose supervisors are willing to match this award, thereby providing a full tuition award.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must be in good standing within the Health Sciences Graduate Program and maintain an in-program GPA of at least 80%. Students are eligible to apply if they will be within the first 24 months of their master's program or 48 months of a doctoral program in the academic year the Tuition Award will be awarded. Students may apply to the program each year they are eligible.

Note: Students within the Clinical Investigator Program (CIP) are ineligible for this program.

Application Process

Applications are due November 17, 2023 at 4:30pm.

Applications must consist of a single PDF file, emailed to ovdr.grad@usask.ca.

The application package must include:
1. One (1) page cover letter written by the applicant describing the nature of their employment situation and its impact on their graduate training. **Annual salary and source(s) must be included**.
2. A Completed Canadian Common CV (CCV; Academic Format)

   The CCV should include a summary of research achievements including publications, presentations, awards, and contributions to leadership and community engagement. Applicants can build their CCV by accessing **this site.** Applicants can submit the draft of their CCV to the SSHRC, and it will not be received by SSHRC. After submission, the history folder can be accessed and that version of the CCV can be submitted with the application.

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Applicants can find step by step instructions to help them login and create a CCV on the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) website **here.** Note, that a Common CV, not a SSHRC CV, must be submitted as part of the application (see right).

3. A letter of support from the applicant's graduate program supervisor confirming the nature of the applicant's external professional/training commitments, and their impact on these commitments on the student's progress in program. This letter should also indicate whether or not the supervisor will provide matching funds for this award.

Selection Procedure

Awards will be adjudicated by all faculty members of the Health Sciences Program Committee.

All eligible students are encouraged to apply. Ranking of proposals will be based upon these criteria:
- Financial situation
- Academic excellence as reflected by GPA and research productivity
- Leadership and community engagement
- Availability of supervisor match

Contact

For questions about eligibility, the application process, or the guidelines please contact the OVDR at ovdr.grad@usask.ca. Please ensure that you contact our office with questions no later than 3 business days prior to the application deadline so that we can properly assist you.

Applications received after the deadline or incomplete will not be considered.