Honours Summer Research Awards (HSRA) – 2021

Deadline for Student & Supervisor to submit to Dept/School: <u>February 22, 2021</u> Deadline for Departments/Schools to submit to RGS: <u>February 26, 2021</u>

Acadia's HSRA funding program is intended to enable senior undergraduate students to engage in research for their Honours thesis during the summer months (prior to the final academic year).

In support of Acadia's commitment to advance **equity**, **diversity** and **inclusion**, a number of the HSRA awards will be allocated to under-represented or under-served groups, including but not limited to Black, Indigenous and People of Colour, members of the 2SLGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and other equity-deserving groups. All applicants will be contacted soon after the application submission due date with a link to a form to voluntarily and confidentially self-ID. Acadia is also committed to equity in the distribution of awards among the three Faculties.

HSRA funds (<u>up to \$5400 per student</u>) support salary (minimum wage plus 4% vacation pay = \$13.62/hr) for up to 12 weeks at 33 hours per week (=\$450 per week). Awards for less than 12 weeks will be prorated. This internal HSRA funding program will separately cover the Mandatory Employer-Related Costs (EI, CPP, WCB).

At the time of application (Feb 2021), eligible applicants must:

- Have completed two or three years of full-time university study
- Be registered in an Honours program at Acadia with thesis submission planned for 2022
- Have a competitive Program GPA for their discipline, normally of at least 3.5

How to Apply

The 2021 HSRA <u>application form</u> is available from the Research and Graduate Studies website: <u>https://www2.acadiau.ca/research/undergraduate.html</u>

Students should note the deadline dates as the form requires an endorsement by your Supervisor or a Professor familiar with your work and abilities. The application must be completed as a Word .doc using the form provided. Hand-written applications will not be accepted.

Submission of HSRA Application

The student's supervisor must submit the completed and signed application to the Department/School Administrator by Monday, February 22, 2021. Departments/Schools are responsible for preparing a PACE for each applicant and electronically sending these and the HSRA applications to Research & Graduate Studies (<u>researchoffice@acadiau.ca</u>) by Friday, February 26, 2021. Late or incomplete applications will <u>not</u> be forwarded to the adjudication committee. **Notice of awards will be communicated to applicants by late-March.**