Postgraduate scholarships (PGS and CGS D)

- Program overview
- Eligibility criteria
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**Value and duration**

- PGS D: $21,000 per year for three years
- CGS D: $35,000 per year for three years

**Important dates**

- Verify internal application deadline with institution
- Application deadline: October 19 (direct applicants)
- Announcement of awards: April

**Location of tenure**

- PGS D: Canadian institution or abroad (if previous degree completed in Canada)
- CGS D: must be at a Canadian institution

**How to apply**

- NSERC online system

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**Program overview**
Eligibility criteria

- Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada
- Not have already held a doctoral award from one of the federal granting agencies
- Intend to pursue full-time graduate studies and research at the doctoral level in an eligible program
- By December 31 have completed no more than 24 months of doctoral studies (36 months if direct-entry students and must currently be registered in doctoral program)
Selection criteria

50% Research ability and potential

50% Relevant experiences and achievements obtained within and beyond academia
How to apply

Through a Canadian institution
*(quota system in place)*

- Currently registered (including if on leave)
- Have been registered anytime in 2020

Directly to NSERC
*(October 19 deadline)*

- Currently registered at a foreign institution
- Not registered at a Canadian institution at any time in 2020

Verify the internal deadline!
Submit application electronically by institution deadline

Internal selection committees review applications

Institution forwards selected applications electronically to NSERC

Institution informs students of results for the internal selection process

What happens at your institution?
What happens at NSERC?

NSERC staff verify eligibility → Members review and score applications → Final ranked list produced → Top-ranked applicants offered CGS D, next tier offered PGS D → Results announced in April
| Selection committees                | IMPORTANT: The research subject code you select in your application determines the selection committee. |
### Application statistics

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- **University Applications**
- **Direct Applications**

*Note: Direct Applications are not applicable.*
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