# Academic Reference Letter

**To be completed by a Faculty Member**

**Ontario Graduate Scholarship-Indigenous for First Nation, Inuit, and Metis Students**

**2023-2024 Application**

This award is intended to recognize and acknowledge the academic achievement and exceptional promise of an Indigenous graduate student or students at McMaster University. Consideration is also given to Indigenous scholars who have demonstrated mentorship within community settings. [More information](https://gs.mcmaster.ca/current-students/scholarships/ontario-graduate-scholarship-for-indigenous-students-ogs-i/) about the award eligibility, criteria, intent, and value is available through the School of Graduate Studies.

**Instructions:** Your reference letter (maximum 1 page on organizational letterhead) for the candidate may include their demonstration of: exceptional promise in community leadership, mentorship to other Indigenous students, mentorship within First Nation, Inuit, or Métis communities, leadership to advance Indigenous education, either inside or outside of a university setting, high academic achievement. This letter should be attached after this cover page.

Save completed reference letter package as **Student Last Name\_Academic Reference\_2023** and upload it directly by using the [MacDrive upload link for the Ontario Graduate Scholarship-Indigenous reference letters.](https://macdrive.mcmaster.ca/u/d/fbf37790cdae4b1ab076/)

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**Name of Candidate**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Position/Department/Institution of Academic Referee:**

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**Signature of Academic Referee**  **Date**