

Department of Research and Innovation: Student Research, Innovation and Scholarship Grant

1.0 Objective

The objective of the Student Research, Innovation and Scholarship grant is to foster a research mindset among Georgian College students and grow the culture of inquiry within the student body.

2.0 Description

The Student Research, Innovation and Scholarship grants are available to current Georgian College students to support well-defined, focused research projects that align with the applicant's field of study. Funding can be used for independent project activity, team projects, or student activity that supports a faculty member's research, innovation and/or scholarship work. Grants of up to \$1,000 can be used to compensate for the time and materials required to conduct research, innovation and scholarship activities. Up to five grants will be awarded for the winter semester.

3.0 Eligibility

Students enrolled in any Georgian College program are eligible. Projects **MUST** be relevant to the student's field of study. The project must be completed before graduation and within a six month time frame. Applicants must provide a faculty reference to confirm their project aligns with their chosen field of study.

Assignments or projects related to course work and that receive a grade are ineligible. Students currently participating in a co-op work term are also ineligible.

4.0 Use of grant funding

Grants can be up to \$1,000 for six months, while enrolled as a student. Eligible expenses include:

- 1) Student time:
 - Please note, students in their academic semester can apply for a maximum of 20 hours per week. A rate of \$16.00 per hour should be used for calculations (salary + fringe).
- 2) Materials and supplies:
 - Provide a description and an estimate of costs. Original receipts will be required for reimbursement of expenses.
- 3) Travel:
 - Provide a description and an estimate of costs. Documentation indicating the origin and destination is required for reimbursement, along with verification of the number of kilometers travelled (via Google map). The reimbursement rate is \$0.40/km as per Georgian College's travel policy.

**Grant funding will be provided upon documented project completion. All expense claims must be submitted within 45 days as per Georgian College policy.

5.0 Application and Key Dates

Information sessions will be held to describe the grant, application, and review process:

- Barrie campus:
 - **Thursday, February 7, 2019 at 12:00pm – Room N201**
 - **Tuesday, February 12th, 2019 at 12:00pm – Room N201**
- Orillia campus:
 - **Thursday, February 21st, 2019 at 12:00pm – Room A101**

Round 1:

- Applications are due **Tuesday, February 12th, 2019 at 4:00pm**
- Funding announcements will be made **on Friday, February 22nd, 2019**
- Final reports are due **2 weeks after project completion**

Round 2:

- Applications are due **Tuesday, February 26th, 2019 at 4:00pm**
- Funding announcements will be made **on Friday, March 8th, 2019**
- Final reports are due **2 weeks after project completion**

6.0 Selection criteria

Applications are evaluated on the following criteria:

- 1) Clarity of Goals (20%)
 - Goals are well-defined, measureable with tangible outcomes; and are achievable within the timeline
- 2) Rationale (20%)
 - Rationale is well stated, supported with evidence, and aligns with the project goals
- 3) Work Plan (20%)
 - Work plan is well documented, clear, and feasible
- 4) Deliverables (20%)
 - Quality and appropriateness of the plans
 - Scope of Knowledge Dissemination plan within and beyond Georgian College's research community. Please note, Research, Innovation and Scholarship Day is April 10, 2019
- 5) Additional Considerations (20%)
 - Relation to your field of study
 - Creativity or innovation potential
 - The potential to apply knowledge
 - Ability of the applicant to complete project

7.0 Reporting

Final reports providing the impacts of the research are **required within 2 weeks of the project completion**. The reporting template will be provided by the Department of Research and Innovation.

8.0 How to apply

Email the Research and Innovation department for the application package:
ResearchandInnovation@GeorgianCollege.ca.

9.0 Submission Details

See Section 5.0 for application deadlines.

Fill out the application form and email it with subject line: **2019 Student RIS grant application**.

Email application to the attention of:

Dr. Mira Ray
Director, Research and Innovation
Georgian College, Barrie Campus
ResearchandInnovation@GeorgianCollege.ca