Alberta Award for the Study of Canadian Human Rights and Multiculturalism
Value – $10,000 (Masters Level) or $15,000 (Doctoral Level)

In recognition of Alberta's centennial and the contributions and experiences of our diverse population, the Minister of Alberta Community Development established the Alberta Award for the Study of Canadian Human Rights and Multiculturalism.

To encourage graduate studies that will create value for Albertans by promoting informed thinking about Canadian human rights, cultural diversity, and multiculturalism. To support the pursuit of studies in Canadian human rights, cultural diversity, and multiculturalism, and building capacity to undertake human rights or multicultural work in Canada.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicant must be:

- a Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident or Protected Person (visa students are not eligible),
- currently enrolled as a full-time graduate student (Master's or Doctoral level) at an Alberta public post-secondary institution,
- currently enrolled in a program of study that supports the purpose of the scholarship, and
- planning to do research that is within a Canadian context and will ultimately benefit Albertans.

Note: The scholarship is only open to students pursuing graduate studies.

Selection Process

Recipients will be selected on the basis of the applicant's information as provided on the application form, post-secondary transcript, the essay, and curriculum vitae.

Application Process

Applicant must submit the following:

- a completed application form,
- an official post-secondary transcript,
- an essay, and
- a curriculum vitae.

The essay is the most important component of the application and has the greatest impact on the selection process. Please feel free to consult your academic advisor.

The award will be issued in March after Alberta Student Aid confirms the recipient's full-time enrolment.

Additional Information

Two (2) awards are available each year: Master's level award is $10,000 and Doctoral level award is $15,000.

Alberta Student Number (ASN)

Your Alberta Student Number is on your Alberta Transcript for High School Achievement.

If you do not know your ASN, or do not have an ASN:

- Visit **learnerregistry.ae.alberta.ca** for instructions.
- Call toll-free in Alberta at 310-0000 to have a Request for ASN form mailed to you. Due to privacy issues, ASN's will not be given over the phone.

Deadline and How to Apply

- **Application Deadline:** January 15, 2021
- **Submit application to:** Alberta Student Aid

  Alberta Student Aid
  PO Box 28000 Station Main
  Edmonton AB T5J 4R4

- **Payment:** March

Contact: Alberta Student Aid Service Centre at 1-855-606-2096
Visit: **studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships**

Advanced Education is collecting the personal information on this form under the authority of section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP Act), as being directly related to and necessary to determine your eligibility for a scholarship under the *Alberta Heritage Scholarship Act* and to administer scholarships including research, statistical analysis and program evaluation. The use and disclosure of your personal information is managed in accordance with the FOIP Act.

If you have any questions about the collection, use or disclosure of this information, call the Alberta Student Aid Service Centre toll free at 1-855-606-2096 from anywhere in North America. You can also mail your questions to Alberta Student Aid, PO Box 28000 Station Main, Edmonton AB T5J 4R4.

Personal, Citizenship and Residency Information

Last Name *(current legal name)*

First Name *(current legal name)*   Middle Initial

Apartment or Box Number

Street Address (add direction, e.g. S, NW, SE, if applicable)

City/Town

Prov/State   Country   Postal/Zip Code

Mobile Number (format: 999-999-9999)

Telephone Number (format: 999-999-9999)

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

☐ X   Choose X if you do not identify as male or female, or choose to self-identify as X.

Previous Last Name *(if applicable)*

Email Address (mandatory)

IIndigenous Status: ☐ Status Indian/First Nations
☐ Non-Status Indian/First Nations
☐ Métis
☐ Inuit
☐ Not applicable

Providing personal information on Indigenous students will help measure the effectiveness of student financial assistance programs in relation to Indigenous students and to research programs and services to improve student success rates. If you wish to declare your Indigenous heritage, please check the box that applies to you. **NOTE: This is mandatory for awards which require Indigenous status as part of the eligibility, voluntary otherwise.**

Social Insurance Number

Birthdate   Day   Month   Year

Alberta Student Number (mandatory)

Citizenship Status: (check one)

☐ Canadian

☐ Permanent Resident

☐ Protected Person*

☐ VISA (International Student)

*If you are a Protected Person, including Convention Refugee, you must submit:

- A copy of your Social Insurance Number card **AND**
- A copy of **one** of the following:
  - Notice of Decision, or
  - Verification of Status Document (VOS)

The documentation must be valid on your Program of Study Start Date.

Alberta Residency:

Did you or one of your parents or legal guardian live in Alberta for at least 12 consecutive months immediately prior to commencing post-secondary studies? (Do not include time attending post-secondary studies or vacations.)

☐ Yes   ☐ No

If no, was your spouse/partner an Alberta resident immediately prior to you commencing post-secondary studies?

☐ Yes   ☐ No

For Office Use Only   App ID

Current Post-Secondary Institution Enrolment Information

Post-Secondary Institution Name

Student ID

Address

City/Town

Prov/State

Country

Postal/Zip Code

Program of Study

Level of Study: (check one)

☐ Master Level

☐ Ph.D Level

☐ Undergraduate

☐ Professional Program (e.g. medicine, veterinary medicine, optometry, etc.)

Program of Study Start Date

Month Year

Anticipated Date of Completion

Month Year

Program Length

☐ Years ☐ Months

Year of Program

Expected Credential (e.g. upgrading, transfer, degree, diploma, certificate, other)

Alberta Student Number (mandatory)

Additional Information

Master / Ph. D Level Information

Thesis based? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, name of Thesis/Project Title

Academic Transcripts

List the institutions providing transcripts (include your surname if it is different on the transcript).

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Essay Question

The essay is the most important component of the application. Please address the following points in your essay:

1. What are the questions (up to three) you want to explore in your study? Why are they important to you?

2. How will your studies create value for Albertans in the areas of human rights, diversity or multiculturalism?

3. How do you plan to integrate the academic and professional literature about the topic of your study with your own experiences and perspectives?

4. If your study involves human subjects, how many will be tested/interviewed, etc.

5. What is the likely impact of your research project in Alberta?

6. How do you propose to study the issues and what methodology will you be using to study these issues?

The essay should be no more than 1,200 words (citations not included in the word count), double spaced, no more than six lines per inch, with a minimum font size of 10. Condensed type is not acceptable.

Declaration of Applicant

I have read and understand the instructions, and declare that:

- all information provided in this application, including any supplemental information required to establish my eligibility (the "Application"), is true and complete and I understand that the information is subject to review and audit.

- I have read and understood the eligibility requirements and obligations of the scholarship and/or award as stated in the scholarship and/or award application and requirements documents.

- I will immediately notify Alberta Scholarships – Alberta Student Aid, in writing if I withdraw from studies or of any changes to my name, address, academic status or study period, or to any other information contained in the Application in accordance with the instructions relating to changes of information found on the Alberta Student Aid website, studentaid.alberta.ca.

Disclosure of Information

I understand that Advanced Education may disclose and exchange my personal information pertaining to my high school and post-secondary academic records, academic progress, and enrolment status with:

- Alberta Education to verify my Alberta Student Number, name, date of birth, and gender solely to confirm identification for the purpose of the scholarship and/or award application.

- Any of the following: provincial and federal government departments; the educational institution(s) named in the Application; boards; and any third party or third party organizations involved in the selection of the recipient.

I understand and agree:

- to provide all information requested by Alberta Student Aid which, in Alberta Student Aid's sole discretion, is required to verify any statements made in this Application.

- if I receive a scholarship my name, award, and city/town may be released publicly to promote the program. My name, the name of the scholarship and the scholarship amount may also be published on the Government of Alberta Grant Disclosure Portal. However, my consent to the publication of this personal information is not a criterion for eligibility, and if I do not want to be identified, I will contact Alberta Student Aid and request that it not be disclosed.

Signature of Applicant	Today's Date			Alberta Student Number (mandatory)
X SIGN HERE	Day	Month	Year	

**Please review your application to make sure you have completed all the required fields and that the information is accurate.
Incorrect or incomplete information will delay processing.
Your application and all supporting documentation must be received by the application deadline.**