

The MAPS Committee Fall 2020 Workshop Series

How to Apply for Graduate Funding

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Funding Sources are categorized by 3 "Families"

Social



Health



Natural Sciences



Fonds de Recherche du Québec (FRQ):

Fonds de recherche du Québec Société et culture (FRQSC) <http://www.frqsc.gouv.qc.ca/en/>

Fonds de recherche du Québec Santé (FRQS) <http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/>

Fonds de recherche du Québec Nature et technologies (FRQNT) <http://www.frqnt.gouv.qc.ca/en/>

Eligibility: Quebec University enrollment OR RAMQ Card/proof OR physical presence in Quebec; GPA A- (3.7) or equivalent; No more than 3 full-time terms (1 year) in Masters as of May 1, 2021; Program begins between May 1st, 2021 and January 15th, 2022; Research program is a master's program with minimum 18 credits (or 40% of program credits) dedicated to research training and thesis.

Canada Graduate Scholarships - Masters (CGS-M): http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/students-etudiants/pg-cs/cgsm-bescm_eng.asp

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)

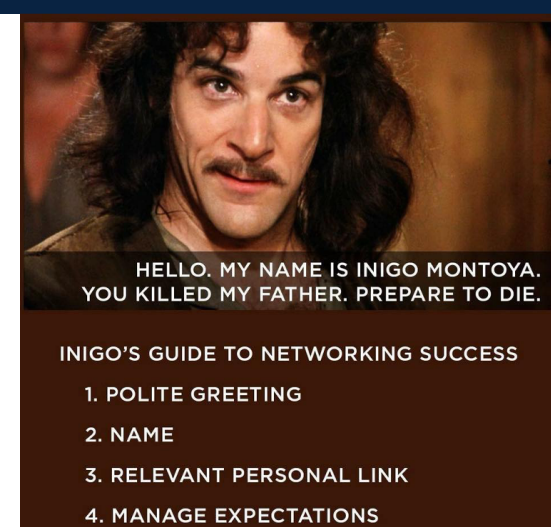
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)

Eligibility: Canadian citizen or permanent resident; First-class average in each of the last 2 years of full-time study (3.7 GPA); 0 - 12 months of full-time studies in masters program by December 31, 2020; Be enrolled in, have applied for, or will apply for full-time admission to a graduate program in Canada with CGS-M allocation.

Canadian Common CV (CCV): <https://ccv-cvc.ca/indexresearcher-eng.frn>

The Canadian Common CV (CCV) is a web-based application that provides researchers with a single, common approach to gathering CV information required by a network of federal, provincial and not-for-profit research funding organizations. This is used in "most" of the Masters funding application portals.

Reference letters: Ask for reference letters from people who KNOW you like an instructor for more than one class, a graduate student you've worked with (on behalf of a lab director) - someone who can speak to your abilities! Contact potential referees AT LEAST 4 weeks before the deadline and give them the information you would like them to convey. Try the Inigo Montoya template ...



READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE WEBSITE: Reach out to Concordia or the funding agencies directly if you have questions!

Tips for a great research proposal: <https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/students/research-tracking/proposals>

1. Follow the instructions!
2. Break down your proposal into point form before writing your first draft.
3. Know your audience.
4. Make an impact in the first few sentences.
5. Have a clear title.
6. Emphasize multidisciplinary aspects of the proposal, if applicable.
7. Show that your research is feasible.
8. Clearly indicate how your research or scholarship will make a "contribution to knowledge" or address an important question in your field.
9. Get the proposal reviewed and commented on by others.
10. Remember that nothing is set in stone.