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## 2019-2020 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN WATER RESOURCES OVERVIEW

1. The Canadian Water Resources Association (CWRA) annually offers five scholarships. The following scholarships are available to graduate students whose program of study focuses on applied, natural, or social science aspects of water resources.

- **Dillon Consulting Scholarship - \$5,000**  
This premier scholarship will be awarded to the highest ranked of all applicants. Funding is provided by Dillon Consulting Limited on an annual basis.
- **Harker/Cameron - Women in Water Scholarship - \$2,000**  
Awarded to the highest ranked female applicant whom has not already been awarded a higher scholarship. This scholarship is presented to recognize the ongoing legacy of Jennifer Harker and Valerie Cameron.
- **Rick Ross Student Scholarship - \$2,000**  
Awarded to the highest ranked of all applicants whom has not already been awarded a higher scholarship. This scholarship is presented to recognize the ongoing legacy of Rick Ross.
- **Ken Thomson Scholarship - \$2,000**  
Awarded to the highest ranked of all applicants whom has not already been awarded a higher scholarship. This scholarship is presented to honour the legacy of the late Ken Thomson.
- **CWRA Memorial Scholarship - \$1,500**  
Awarded to the highest ranked of all applicants whom has not already been awarded a higher scholarship. This scholarship represents a tribute to CWRA Members by their colleagues' donations.

All applicants will receive a one-year membership with CWRA.

2. The scholarships are open to Canadian citizens or permanent residents, attending a Canadian university or college, who are enrolled in full-time graduate studies in any department in both fall and winter terms of the 2019-2020 academic year.
3. The CWRA Scholarship Committee will accept no more than one application from any department in a Canadian university or college (multiple applications from each institution are allowed). Applicants must provide a statement from the Dean/Chair/Director of the department verifying that the application is the one being submitted from that department for the CWRA scholarships. This statement must include confirmation of the applicant's full-time registration in the program in the fall and winter terms of the 2019-2020 academic year.



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4. These scholarships are awarded primarily on the basis of academic excellence and project relevance to water resources management and development. When applicants are equal on the basis of these criteria, selection will be based on encouraging diverse geographic reach, discipline, and career stage representation. Equality and diversity will also be valued.
5. Before starting an application, applicants should contact their Scholarship Liaison Officer on campus, as some departments will have their own internal adjudication process in order to select one applicant to endorse. In this case, the department or institution will be responsible for submitting the full application package using CWRA's online submission portal on behalf of the endorsed applicant. Institutions/departments without an internal adjudication process may simply provide an endorsement letter to the first/only applicant who requests one. In this case, it is acceptable for the applicant to submit his/her application using the CWRA portal.
6. Applicants are responsible to have the following information, submitted in either French or English, either directly to the department (as per the institutions internal process) or as a single attachment when submitting the application through the online submission portal accessible from the CWRA Scholarships website at: [www.cwra.org/en/scholarships](http://www.cwra.org/en/scholarships)
  - Completed Application Form (available at the CWRA Scholarships website above).
  - Proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.
  - A statement from the Dean/Chair/Director of the department which verifies that the applicant is the only one being submitted from that program for the CWRA scholarships. This statement must also include confirmation of the applicant's full-time registration in the program in the fall and winter terms of the 2019-2020 academic year. This endorsement is not a letter of reference.
  - Official course transcripts at the undergraduate and graduate level.
  - Two letters of reference.
7. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all the material is submitted to the Scholarship Committee as described. Where it is college or university policy not to provide official course transcripts directly to the student, this should be noted, and arrangements made to have the transcripts forwarded directly to the Scholarship Chair or Scholarship Liaison Officer.
8. Applications will be accepted until **January 31, 2020**. A formal awards presentation will be held at the CWRA 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference at Kenora, Ontario on June 1-4, 2020. Applicants are encouraged to consider submitting an abstract for the conference. Details can be found at: <https://conference.cwra.org/>
9. Questions should be sent to the Scholarship Chair via email to: [scholarships@cwra.org](mailto:scholarships@cwra.org)



## **2019-2020 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN WATER RESOURCES EVALUATION CRITERIA**

As outlined in the information document, the CWRA Scholarship Committee will accept one application from any department of a Canadian university or college (please note that multiple applications from each institution are allowed). It is the responsibility of the Dean/Chair/Director of the department to select one applicant, using criteria established by the department and/or institution. Some departments arrange their own internal submissions and evaluation process to select one applicant to endorse. Please check with your department regarding their own internal deadlines for this scholarship application. In this case, it is up to the institution or department to submit the full application package using CWRA's online submission portal on behalf of the endorsed applicant. Other departments within an institution may simply provide an endorsement letter to the first/only applicant that requests one. In this case, it is acceptable for the applicant to submit their full application package directly to CWRA using the online submission portal. In an effort to assist in the department level evaluation process, we have provided a general guideline below, consistent with the CWRA's evaluation process.

1. Project Presentation	30%
2. Project Relevance <sup>1</sup>	30%
3. Project Innovation	10%
4. Academic Performance <sup>2</sup>	20%
5. Letters of Reference	10%
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	100%

<sup>1</sup>Project relevance refers to alignment with CWRA's mission statement to promote effective water management.

<sup>2</sup>The following letter-to-numeric conversion approximation can be used to evaluate academic performance.

A+	20
A to A+	17-19
B+ to A	14-16
B to B+	11-13
C+ to B	8-10
C to C+	5-7



**2019-2020 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN WATER RESOURCES APPLICATION FORM**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_
2. Email \_\_\_\_\_
3. Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_
5. Citizenship or Permanent Residency (proof to be submitted with this Application Form)
  - 5.1 Canadian Citizen (Birth Certificate)  
(Citizenship Certificate)
  - 5.2 Permanent Resident
6. University/College \_\_\_\_\_
7. Department \_\_\_\_\_
8. Master's Candidate                      Ph.D. Candidate
9. Applicants must provide a statement from the Dean/Chair/Director of the department which verifies that the applicant is the one being submitted from that department for the CWRA scholarships. This statement must also include confirmation of the applicant's full-time registration in the program in the fall and winter terms of the 2019-2020 academic year. Please refer to the Scholarship Overview.
10. Applicants must provide official course transcripts at the undergraduate and graduate level.
11. Letters of Reference:

**NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF REFEREES:**

1. _____	2. _____
_____	_____
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12. How did you learn about the CWRA Scholarship?

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13. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all material is sent to the Scholarship Committee as described.

14. Applications will be accepted until **January 31, 2020** and should be submitted as a single PDF document through the online submission portal accessible from the CWRA Scholarship website at: [www.cwra.org/en/scholarships](http://www.cwra.org/en/scholarships)

15. Questions should be sent via email to: [scholarships@cwra.org](mailto:scholarships@cwra.org)

### **Please check to ensure you have provided the following:**

Completed Application Form.

Proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.

A statement from the Dean/Chair/Director of the department which verifies that the applicant is the one being submitted from that department for the CWRA scholarships. This statement must also include confirmation of the applicant's full-time registration in the program in the fall and winter terms of the 2019-2020 academic year. The endorsement is not a letter of reference.

Official course transcripts at the undergraduate and graduate level.

Two letters of references.

<b>Research Project Title:</b>	
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**Project Description:**

The applicant should outline his/her research project and its relevance to sustainable water resources. Discuss the project research methods, type of data and analysis, as well as the expected outcomes. The project description should be reader-friendly to non-specialists and contain as little jargon as possible.

**References:**

The applicant may use the space provided to include references for their Project Description only.