UR EXCELLENCE ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP TERMS OF REFERENCE APRIL 2025

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ELIGIBILITY:

Qualifications: Holders of these awards are required to be <u>a fully-qualified</u>, entering (be in their first semester) graduate student in their first Master's degree program, in any discipline. Students must have previously completed an undergraduate degree from the University of Regina. Students must have a minimum of a first class average (equivalent to a minimum of 80% at the University of Regina) when they enter their program. An incomplete and/or failing grade from the previous semester's work will render the student ineligible for support. Failure to continue to be fully eligible in each semester while holding this scholarship, will require the scholarship to be discontinued.

Citizenship: Awardees can be a Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident, Landed Immigrant or International, U of R undergraduate student.

Required: Grad Thrive Plus GRST 801 (previously 800AA) must be completed by the end of the first semester in which a student begins their program in order to be eligible. Failure to complete this by the end of their first semester will require the scholarship to be discontinued.

Registered Full-Time: Students are required to be registered full-time in each and every semester (*including the spring/summer semester*) in which the funding is to be received and accordingly, are required to register and remain in no fewer than 6 credit hours each semester while holding the award. All awardees are required to be registered full-time by the **5th** day of the first month (January, May, or September) of the semesters in which the award is to be paid, in order to meet payroll deadlines.

Non-renewable: This award is not renewable and students can only hold this award one time in their graduate studies.

Other Awards: Students who are currently holding major awards such as national scholarships, i.e. NSERC, SSHRC or CIHR or equivalent, are <u>NOT</u> eligible for UR Excellence funds. Students are also only allowed to hold one FGSR entrance award.

RATES OF SUPPORT:

10 UR Excellence Scholarships will be awarded each year. Each scholarship is valued at \$10,000 which will be paid out over 2 consecutive semesters (\$5,000 per semester).

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APPLICATION & PROCEDURES:

Applications are due electronically to FGSR by February 28 of each year.

Students must submitted applications and unofficial transcripts.

Students reference letters must be submitted to grad.funding@uregina.ca.

NOTIFICATION & PAYMENTS:

FGSR will manage the final review, awarding, notification and payments of all UR Excellence Scholarships. The successful awardees will be paid out directly to their bank account each semester while holding the award.

All FGSR funding is subject to annual budgetary approval and up to the discretion of the Dean of FGSR.