Testimonials from Library Award Recipients

“Upon entering the University, I was reluctant to use the University of Regina’s library databases to find papers, presentations, and analyses. Moving into my last year of University, I have found out that library services are essential for any successful research and academic writings… in the absence of appropriate skills required in searching for the right information, the internet can become a useless tool for a researcher. The University of Regina library services has equipped me with this unique skill required of any academician.”

Bonnie Marko, 2021 recipient

“The library staff are always happy to assist me in finding the right books and articles, as well as helping me get a book I need through interlibrary loan. They also helped me in properly citing this paper as I was using a citation format that was unfamiliar to me. Each resource that was provided to me by the library and the assistance that the librarians provided allowed me to write my essay... I am very proud of the final result of this essay (and, of course, the grade it received) and I could not have done without the Archer Library’s resources and staff.”

Idella Maeland, 2020 recipient

“I gained invaluable skills researching from online, primary, secondary, and archival research. I am also more knowledgeable in how to cite and reference multiple, complex sources that fall under ambiguous categories of type. I improved my ability to connect multiple threads of research from contexts arching over hundreds of years to offer full insight into an artifact. I strengthened my confidence and familiarity in maneuvering around the various services and resources Archer Library offers.”

Jessica Leeper, 2019 recipient

“I was afraid of not finding enough information at first but quickly realized that the Library’s resources are very helpful in finding all the necessary information...(and) by opening up to the Library and the resources it has, I feel more comfortable approaching research projects and starting them early.”

Saadia Burki, 2018 recipient

“The amazing help, and resources provided by the Archer Library gave me both the material and the courage I needed to complete one of the best works I have produced in my University career... I could not have done it without the library or its resources, and I feel right at home whenever I venture back into those aisles full of great books.”

Tea Gerbeza, 2017 recipient

“I feel that due to the knowledge and assistance I received from the Archer Library, I have increased my research efficiency and I have learned to narrow the focus of my enquiry to hone in on the content of my thesis idea. Without the support of librarians and the immense amount of material that Archer Library is able to supply, I would never have been able to achieve this grade (82%) in such a demanding course.”

Cary Kotylak, 2016 recipient
Dr. John Archer Library Award
Application Checklist

• Apply online in January using the Student Awards Management System (SAMS)
• Application deadline is February 1, 2022
• SAMS will not verify the completeness of your application.
• Include these 3 documents in your application:

1. Submit a 1-2 page Archer Library reflective essay.

2. Provide a signed and dated memo from the professor who graded your research project that you mention in your reflective essay. If the instructor is not available then contact an administrative assistant from your course’s department for help.

3. Include a copy of your graded research project.

Archer Library staff will not provide assistance with the application or writing your reflective essay. Contact Michael Shires with general questions about the award (email Michael.Shires@uregina.ca).