



2023 GEOSCIENCE BC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION GUIDE

Geoscience BC annually awards **up to ten \$5,000** scholarships to Masters (MSc) or Doctorate (PhD) students working on BC-based geoscience projects.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants must have **registered and started** in a Masters (MSc) or Doctorate (PhD) program in earth science, geoscience or applied geoscience.

Applicants must be working on a British Columbia-focused thesis project that advances knowledge, informs responsible development, encourages investment or stimulates innovation through geoscience research. This can include studies relating to mineral exploration or mining, natural gas, geothermal, and carbon storage. Water-focused research topics will also be accepted, provided they relate to the development of one of the topics identified above. Questions regarding topic eligibility should be directed to Geoscience BC before applying.

MSc students may receive the Geoscience BC scholarship only once during their program. Successful PhD students may apply for a second year of scholarship funding (\$5,000 CAD) provided they can demonstrate that they have made significant progress on their project.

APPLICATION DEADLINE is May 8th, 2023, at 4pm PST

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Submit the following items via email to Virginie Pochard-Linage: pochardlinage@geosciencebc.com

1. a completed 2023 Geoscience BC Scholarship Application Form; and,
2. a completed 2023 Geoscience BC Scholarship Reviewer Form; and,
3. a resumé detailing your education and relevant work and volunteer experience (2 pg maximum, PDF).

The following two items should be submitted via email **from the originator** to Virginie Pochard-Linage: pochardlinage@geosciencebc.com

1. a signed reference letter from a professor commenting on your academic qualifications, research ability, potential contributions to geoscience or any progress made to date;
2. a signed reference letter from a work supervisor (or if no previous work experience, a different professor from above), commenting on your work experience, geoscience skill set, contributions to geoscience, or any progress made to date.

CONDITIONS OF FUNDING:

- Successful applicants are required to acknowledge Geoscience BC's support in **all publications and/or presentations resulting from their project work**.
- Successful applicants are required to produce a paper that will be published in one of Geoscience BC's 2023 Summary of Activities publications (submission deadline is mid-October 2023). This paper will also be published on the Geoscience BC website.
- Successful applicants are required to present a talk or poster at a relevant technical conference during the tenure of the award. Conferences with strong industry attendance are preferred (e.g. AME Mineral Exploration Roundup 2024 or GeoConvention 2024). The poster/presentation will also be published on the Geoscience BC website.
- Successful applicants are required to submit a digital copy of their thesis to Geoscience BC upon completion of their studies.
- Geoscience BC reserves the right to publish a short summary on the student and their project, with an accompanying photograph. Pictures must be a minimum of 1,500 pixels on the shortest axis. This ensures they can be used at a good size in our print publications.
- Geoscience BC will highlight scholarship winners and their projects on social media and elsewhere as part of its ongoing work to promote the value of public geoscience.
- **NEW:** Successful applicants may **be required to participate in a Geoscience BC sponsor's event.**

EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION:

Geoscience BC celebrates diversity, equity and inclusiveness, and acknowledges that discriminatory barriers and biases exist. It supports processes that exclude discrimination based on race, creed, colour, national origin, political or religious affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, age, family status, & disability.

GBC encourages staff, volunteers and contractors to consider reviewing the following brief online learning module developed by the Government of Canada, NSERC, SSHRC & CIHR: <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/lms/e/bias/>.

To further improve its practices, GBC is in the process (March 2023) of establishing an Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation Advisory Council, which will play an important role in guiding Geoscience BC's approach on matters related to:

- Guiding Geoscience BC's role in reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples;
- Developing key performance indicators to measure Geoscience BC's progress towards reconciliation;
- Integrating Indigenous needs, principles and Traditional Knowledge into Geoscience BC research and planning;
- Being a safe place to share and test ideas that progress Indigenous reconciliation;
- Enhancing Indigenous voices in Geoscience BC research and governance;
- Developing Indigenous engagement principles to guide Geoscience BC 's engagement approach and advise Geoscience BC's contracted researchers 'on the ground';
- Understanding data sovereignty for Indigenous communities and responsible use of Geoscience BC data by end users;



- Identifying ways Geoscience BC can help build lasting geoscience-related capacity in Indigenous communities; and
- Considering Geoscience BC's geographically limited scope and potential to expand beyond BC's provincial borders with Indigenous leadership guidance and support.

REVIEW PROCESS:

Applications will be screened by Geoscience BC staff to ensure eligibility, and all eligible applications are then reviewed by a panel of geoscientists representing industry, academia and government. Preference will be given to applicants whose projects are deemed to have the greatest potential benefit to geoscience in BC and whose research and career interests are primarily directed towards the same.

All applicants will be notified, and winners announced **no later than June 30, 2023.**

Any related questions can be directed to Virginie Pochard-Linage: pochardlinage@geosciencebc.com.
