Arbour Foundation Scholarship

Programs

The Arbour Scholarship is intended to deserving students who need financial assistance at the Master’s and doctoral level to promote economic growth in Business Administration, Engineering and Computer Science. Priority will be given to graduate students who hold awards that do not exceed $10,000 to match the mission of the Foundation in granting scholarships to deserving students in financial need. Applicants whose scholarships and awards are valued more than $10,000 (May 1st of last year until April 30th of this year) will not be considered for this competition.

Graduate students enrolled in a Master’s degree or a doctoral degree in the following fields of study are eligible to apply:

- Engineering (M.A.Sc./M.Eng./Ph.D.)
- Computer Science (M.Ap.Comp.Sc./M.Eng./M.Comp.Sc./M.A.Sc./Ph.D.)
- Business Administration (M.B.A./M.Sc./Ph.D.)

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<th>Value</th>
<th>Master's: $10,000</th>
<th>Ph.D. $17,000</th>
<th>MBA $13,000</th>
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Deadline

**June 3rd, 2020**

Criteria

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<th>Master's</th>
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<td>University performance</td>
<td>50%</td>
<td>45%</td>
<td>30%</td>
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<td>Research ability / analytical mind</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>Professional Experience</td>
<td>n/a</td>
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<td>Social Implication/leadership/entrepreneurship</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>Financial Need</td>
<td>20%</td>
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Please note that:
- The Foundation reserves the right to favor students who show an interest in staying in Québec after their studies;
- The Foundation also reserves the right to favor students with significant financial needs.

### Master's and Ph.D.:
1. Students must have completed at least two full-time university semesters at a Quebec university in the last 12 months ** prior to completing an application. These two semesters may have been completed in another program of study than the one for which the scholarship is requested.
2. Students must be registered full-time in the year following their scholarship application to be admissible ***.
3. Students must have a university average greater than or equal to 75%.
4. As of May 1st of this year, students must not have completed more than three (3) semesters in their Master's and no more than nine (9) semesters in their Ph.D. level when applying.

### MBA:
1. Students must be a permanent resident or Canadian citizens.
2. Students must be registered full-time in their program of study ***.
3. Students must have an overall university average greater than or equal to 75% (during their last completed university studies).
4. As of May 1st of this year, students must not have completed more than two (2) semesters in their current MBA program while filling in their application.

*Please note that these eligibility criteria are specifically for Concordia students and are not currently posted on the foundation’s website.

** In the event that the university has granted a student study leave, this authorized period is not taken into account in the calculation. Thus, a student who has been on leave of absence in the last year is eligible if he has been enrolled for two terms in the 12 months preceding his leave.

*** If there are any authorized leaves during the scholarship period, universities are allowed to defer the payment to the return quarter, when the student registers again. The following table details 3 scenarios and the possibilities in each of these cases.

International students are not eligible for the MBA Scholarship competition. Several conditions apply for all students:

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<th>Students following a linear path in Quebec (no interruption of studies):</th>
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<td>Ex: Students who plan to start their Master's degree or doctorate in the fall, can apply for a scholarship during their final year of their current degree. --&gt; That is to say, continuing your Master's studies right after the completion of your bachelors (in a Quebec university).</td>
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<th>Students having interrupted studies for more than 12 months:</th>
<th>Eligible only after having completed two full-time semesters when applying.</th>
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<td>Ex: Students who plan to start their Master's or Ph.D. in the fall term may apply for a scholarship the following year. --&gt; That is to say, starting a Master's or a Ph.D. following an interruption of full-time studies for more than 12 months.</td>
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Foreign student arriving in Quebec
Eligible only after having completed two full-time semesters when applying.

Ex: Students who plan to start their M.Sc. or PhD in the fall can apply for the Foundation’s competition the following year.

Note: A student with a Study Visa who has already completed two university semesters in Quebec before the start of their Master’s or Ph.D. (as part of a previous diploma or a propaedeutic, for example) will be eligible, from the beginning of their studies, to apply for this competition. In this case only, the foreign student who plans to start their Master’s or PhD in the fall term can apply for the Foundation’s competition of the same year even before starting their studies.

How to Apply
Applicants must electronically submit their application form along with the below-mentioned documents as one PDF document to sgs.graduate.awards@concordia.ca

Master’s and PhD:
1. Proof of Canadian citizenship, permanent residency or study visa;
2. All official university transcripts (undergraduate and graduate);
3. First letter of reference from an academic respondent;
4. Second letter of reference from a non-academic respondent (without family ties to the candidate) and which testifies to the candidate’s professional and social involvement, leadership or volunteer involvement;
5. List of your publications (if applicable);
6. An up-to-date Curriculum Vitae.

MBA:
1. Proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent residency
2. All official university transcripts (undergraduate and graduate);
3. A letter of reference from the last employer;
4. Professional performance reports (if applicable);
5. An up-to-date Curriculum Vitae.

Post Award Information
Only applications submitted by universities (School of Graduate Studies) are retained by the Foundation. The Selection Committee will forward three Master’s applications, two MBA applications and one doctoral application to the Foundation for consideration by July 17th, 2020, and notify all applicants who participated in the contest the outcome of this screening. If candidates are selected by the Fondation Arbour, they will be invited to an interview between August 10th and 30th. At the meeting, candidates will be required to submit the original documents in their file for review. The documents will be given back to the applicant at the end of the interview. Scholarship recipients will be notified by mid-September.

To renew your candidacy, please fill out this renewal application form. Fondation Arbour scholarship recipients at the Master’s or doctoral level only, who are seeking, for a scholarship renewal the following year. These students will again be interviewed by the Foundation.