

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Concordia Stand-Out Graduate Research Award

Value: \$1,000

Deadline September 14, 2023 (4:00 PM EST)

Description

The Graduate Awards Office is now accepting applications for the **Concordia Stand-Out Graduate Research Award**. Current graduate students in all disciplines at both Master and Doctoral levels are welcome to apply.

The School of Graduate Studies is offering two Concordia Stand-Out Graduate Research Awards; one falling in the “Fine Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences” category and the other in the “Engineering, Medical Sciences and Natural Sciences” category.

This annual competition is meant to award exceptional research projects that have been released to the public in the thirteen (13) months prior to the *Relève étoile* deadline date of **September 7, 2023**, and recognize the ability of the graduate researchers to convey the importance of their investigation to the general public.

Winners will be featured on Concordia’s website. Also, should an applicant be successful in the *Relève étoile* competition, the recipient will receive an additional top-up of \$500, independent of the Stand-out award competition.

Projects considered

- Scholarly articles (in a journal with an editorial review board);
- Book or book chapter;
- Patent;
- A creation, exhibition or performance stemming from research carried out at Concordia University;

*Conference presentations alone will NOT be considered.

Eligibility

- Students currently enrolled at Concordia University at the time of the application;
- Students whose projects have been released to the public within thirteen (13) months of the *Relève étoile* competition deadline (articles that are only accepted or submitted for reviews are not eligible);
- Students must have applied to the *Relève étoile*, presented by the three *Fonds de recherche du Québec* to recognize student researchers in training; [Relève étoile Awards](#)
- Articles published on journals electronically are eligible (eligibility will be determined based on the electronic publication date).



For publications with several authors, the following rules apply:

- If several students collaborated on a project in the same capacity and the published article explicitly states that the authors all equally contributed to the work, the students will share the award;

One application per project per competition is allowed. Students may receive the award only once.

Evaluation criteria

- Demonstrate the project's contribution to the advancement of knowledge and originality in their field of study. If the project is based on multidisciplinary research, the applicant must describe the added value of the multidisciplinary aspect;
- Demonstrate the ability to explain the subject matter in plain language to a general audience. Demonstrate that the research activities are made known to society at large in such a way that they can be understood by non-specialists, thereby improving the public's understanding of science.

Evaluation process

All applications will be assessed on program criteria by an evaluation committee assembled by SGS.

Application

Completed applications must be emailed to cecilia.kramar@concordia.ca

Material to be submitted

- [Completed application form](#)
- [Recommendation form](#) completed by the thesis supervisor
- The project (in case of an article), or documentation of the performance
- Proof of submission to *Relève étoile*



CONCORDIA STAND-OUT GRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD

Instructions: Please complete the below application and send it to the Graduate Awards Office at cecilia.kramar@concordia.ca

Last Name		First Name		Student ID	
Faculty		Program		Academic Level	
E-mail					
Supervisor					

Title of Research Project

Description of Research (500 words maximum)

Style

- Profiles are written for a general audience. Please avoid jargon. Explain technical terms in plain English or French.

Content

- The introduction should demonstrate the importance of the research by tying it to real-life problems and situations. Use statistics where relevant.
- Flesh out the research and why is it important
- Finally, the conclusion should describe how the research will be applied.

Identification

Student's Signature:	Date:
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**CONCORDIA STAND-OUT GRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD
REFEREE EVALUATION FORM**

Instructions: Applicant should have provided you a completed application package and this form to you electronically or in person. You are asked to fill in this form, sign it and send it electronically to cecilia.kramar@concordia.ca.

Name of applicant:

Name of referee:

Relationship to applicant	Supervisor		Committee member		Professor		Other :
How long have you known the applicant:			years		months		

Please give us your appraisal of the applicant relative to others you have known in a similar capacity by marking the appropriate boxes in the chart below:

	Exceptional	Above average	Average	Below average	Unable to determine
General Academic Ability					
Quality of Work/Research					
Communication Skills					

Comment on the project submitted by the applicant in the space below

Identification and signature of the referee

Referee's Name:	Supervisor's Name (if different from referee):
Email Address:	Email Address:
Internal Mailing Address:	Internal Mailing Address:
Student's Signature:	Referee's Signature: