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CANADA 150 FUND
GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

BCU Foundation is committed to fostering the development of future generations of scholars and young professionals who will flourish in their careers, make meaningful and lasting contributions to the development of their Ukrainian Canadian community, and continue the tradition of excellence set by Ukrainians in Canada.

In 2017 BCU Foundation launched the Canada 150 Fund in commemoration of Canada's 150th anniversary of Confederation. The Fund provides an annual scholarship for Ukrainian Canadian graduate students and young scholars pursuing a graduate degree, including Master's, MBA, PhD, or post-doctoral research at a recognized North American institution.

Fields of study:
Science, engineering, technology, business, finance, and other disciplines.

Value of award:
The Canada 150 Fund scholarship will be awarded annually to a single applicant in the amount of $10,000.
The BCU Foundation reserves the right to award two scholarships in the amount of $5,000 each to separate applicants or to refrain from making an award in any given year.

Evaluation criteria:
Each application will be evaluated on the academic qualification of the candidate, the course of study or the quality of the research proposal, and the candidate's involvement in and contribution to the Ukrainian Canadian community.
The Canada 150 Fund scholarship cannot be applied to research or study already completed.

Eligibility:
To be eligible an applicant must:

1. Be a Canadian citizen, a landed immigrant of Ukrainian descent, or a protected person under subsection 95(2) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (Canada).

2. Have obtained a Bachelor's degree with high scholastic achievement from a recognized North American university or college.

3. Provide evidence of official acceptance to the graduate school program at a North American post-secondary institution.

4. Be registered and remain enrolled in an eligible program on a full-time basis. *An eligible program is defined as a full-time program of study of two or three semesters leading to a graduate degree. A full-time student is one who is in at least 60% of a full course load (40% for students with a permanent disability) or as defined by their institution.*

5. Show evidence of previous research productivity as demonstrated by authorship of refereed publications or conference presentations, if applicable.

Application package:

1. Completed application form: https://bcufoundation.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Canada150_2024_Application-FINAL.pdf
2. Academic CV
3. Transcripts of all post-secondary studies
4. Two letters of reference: one from an academic referee, principally concerning academic achievements, and one from a non-academic referee officially representing a Ukrainian Canadian community organization. The letters of reference must be signed on letterhead and directly emailed to BCU Foundation, clearly indicating the name of the student and contact information of the referee.
5. Proof of acceptance from an academic institution.
6. Proof of Canadian citizenship, landed immigrant or refugee status.

Application deadline: March 31, 2024, 9:00 pm EST.

Note: Incomplete applications will not be adjudicated.

Applications and letters of reference should be submitted electronically to: events@bcufoundation.com

For further information, please contact events@bcufoundation.com.