3423 - CITIZENS OF THE WORLD COMMITMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Donor(s)

• Fonds citoyennes et citoyens du monde de l'Université Laval

Submission Deadline

January 15th, 2027

Respondent Submission Deadline

January 20th, 2027

Please note: It is your responsibility to ensure that your respondent who endorses your application receives the link, has sufficient time to proceed and submits before the deadline.

Objective

Recognize and promote civic engagement, innovation and leadership among university students who stand out for their exceptional involvement, competence, influence and who are inspiring models for members of the university community.

Amounts

• Several scholarships of $20,000 (For Master's students, a payment of $5,000 per semester is provided, up to a maximum of four semesters.)
• Several scholarships of $30,000 (For PhD students, a payment of $5,000 per semester is provided, up to a maximum of six semesters.)

Frequency

Offered every year

Reserved for

International students

Target clientele

• Master's level: Only **research master's** programs are eligible for this competition
• Doctoral level: All PhDs

*Professional master's degrees, bachelor's degrees, certificates, postdoctorates, D.E.S.S., and microprograms are **not** eligible.*

Eligibility criteria

• Upon submitting the application, have submitted a **new application for admission** to a regular 2nd or 3rd cycle study program (research master's or doctorate) at Université Laval for the **winter**, **summer** or **fall semester** of 2027. To access the form, the admission request must have been processed and the admission fees must have been paid.
• Be exceptionally engaged in one or more areas of activity.
• Maintain **full-time student status** at Université Laval throughout the study program for which the scholarship was awarded (fall and winter semesters).

• Provide all the documents required in the form; applications with a missing, non-compliant, or not meeting the specified requirements document will not be considered.
• Hold a **valid study permit**:

1. You must be studying in Canada and have a valid study permit to be eligible for the scholarship payments. If you do not yet have a study permit at the time of application, please indicate this in the comments.
2. If you need to make an initial application for temporary **immigration documents** for studies, a follow-up with a Regulated Immigration Consultant (from Université Laval) is **required**. You will need to demonstrate that the process is completed in a timely manner.

Selection criteria

• Commitment and involvement: volunteer activities, time offered to an organization / project / association, recent, long-term and/or recurring commitment, altruism, potential to continue the commitment, etc.
• Dimension of global citizen: charisma, influence, big-picture thinking, openness to the world, etc.
• Leadership: leadership qualities, initiative, perseverance, (scientific) research potential, motivation with one's group, sense of responsibility and commitment, inspiring model for one's peers, etc.
• Academic performance & Quality of the application

Eligibility for RENEWAL

These scholarships are **renewable** each year for the official duration of the initial study program. To stay eligible for payments, recipients will need to follow the conditions listed in the **RECIPIENT'S GUIDE**, following this document.

Comments

• The **results** will be sent by email in early March. All candidates who applied will receive a response.

• It is possible to apply for this scholarship even if you haven't yet received an offer from Université Laval in response to your **admission request**. However, if your application is selected and you are given a scholarship offer (in early March), you will have 15 days to:

- Accept the admission offer from Université Laval

- Pay the required deposit for your tuition fees

- Accept our scholarship offer

• Since **administrative delays** are to be expected for the processing of any application for admission by the Registrar's Office, the BBAF cannot guarantee that you will have access to the scholarship submission form in the required time.

• When it comes time to send out scholarship offers, applications without an **admission offer** from UL or on the **waiting list** won't be considered.

• Students enrolled in **joint supervision programs** may be eligible for this scholarship program, subject to certain conditions.

• Any support request may take a few days to process. Therefore, by contacting us just before the deadline, we cannot guarantee that the necessary assistance will be provided to you within the required timeframe. Don't wait until the last moment to apply!

For extra information, you can check out the **RECIPIENTS' GUIDE** at the bottom of this document.

Application Submission

You must complete the online form. Documents submitted by email will not be considered.

IDENTIFICATION / SUBMISSION: To submit your application, you will need to authenticate yourself using the personal identification information that you received, or will receive, from the Office of the Registrar when creating your admission file for Université Laval. **NOTE:** If your application for admission has already been submitted to the Registrar's Office (over 48h), and you have access to the scholarship application form but your admission does not appear in the drop-down menu options, please notify us by email as soon as possible, and well before the submission deadline to: engagement@bbaf.ulaval.ca

RESPONDENT: In the appropriate section of the online form, you will need to identify the name of a person who will act as sponsor. Your sponsor can be a teacher, employer, supervisor, coach, etc. Family members, friends or roommates of the candidate are **not** allowed to be. This person must be familiar with your involvement, your achievements as a committed citizen and your background to be able to testify to them. As a measure of confidentiality, your respondent will automatically receive a secure link to complete their online section. Please make sure to correctly indicate their email address in the field provided. Applications without a recommendation after the deadline will be rejected. You will be notified by an automated email when your sponsor has submitted their form and your application will be considered complete.

TRANSCRIPT: Please scan your transcript and save as a single PDF file. To be considered, the transcript must be in French or English (or translated into one of these two languages), must include a **numerical average** for the program or year, and be of sufficient visual quality to allow reading. CAPSULE versions are only accepted for transcripts issued by Université Laval.

- For admission to a master's degree: Provide your complete "bachelor" level statement (all years).
- For doctoral admission: Provide your complete "master's" level statement (all years).

Use of artificial intelligence

AI can be used as a writing aid (to summarize, correct, shorten) or as a structural support (organizing and presenting response elements), but it should never generate ideas or arguments. Candidates remain fully responsible for the content and accuracy of the information they submit.

Contact

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engagement@bbaf.ulaval.ca

Bursary managed by: Student Awards and Financial Aid Office (Bureau des bourses et de l'aide financière - BBAF)

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For additional information to the scholarship sheet

ACTION REQUIRED

Immigration steps: Our team of Regulated Immigration Consultants for foreign students (from Université Laval) is available to help you throughout the process of applying for your **temporary immigration documents**, and this, at no cost. This follow-up is **mandatory** for recipients, who will need to show that their steps are carried out in a timely manner. It is therefore up to them to contact one of the consultants as soon as they accept the scholarship offer by writing to: immigration@monde.ulaval.ca

RENEWAL and PAYMENTS

These scholarships can be **renewed every year** for the official duration of the initial study program, as long as the conditions below are met. Recipients will receive an email in the winter of each eligible year with a link to the online renewal form, which they must fill out and submit before the specified deadline. The contact details of a respondent will be required for information verification, but that person won't have a form to fill out.

To remain **eligible for this scholarship's payments**, recipients must:

- Provide proof of ongoing involvement (excluding paid or credited activities) over the past 12 months (in the renewal form);
- Keep a full-time student status at Université Laval in the same program (**same degree**) for which the scholarship was awarded (fall and winter terms);
- Always maintain a minimum program average of 2.67 out of 4.33;
- Commit to participating in recognition activities related to the program (ceremony, testimonial, thank-you letter, etc.).

Payment: This scholarship will be paid by direct deposit or check, after the withdrawal deadline with a refund for the fall, winter, and summer sessions where recipients are enrolled full-time, as long as they meet the other eligibility criteria of the program. It **isn't necessarily paid** before the **tuition payment deadline**, and it **isn't applied toward paying those fees**. So, each recipient is responsible for paying them on time according to the school's requirements to avoid extra charges. **NOTE**: New recipients who started in the winter session will receive their first payment in May.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Deferral: It is possible to request from BBAF a **deferral of the scholarship offer** until the **fall 2027 session** (for initial admissions in winter 2027), or until the **winter 2028 session** (for initial admissions in summer or fall 2027). To do this, please write to: engagement@bbaf.ulaval.ca. The recipients are then responsible for taking the necessary steps with the University and making sure they can start their program in the targeted semester. You need to have accepted the initial scholarship offer (and met the associated conditions) before you can request such a deferral.

Thank you to the donor: At the beginning of January following the award of the scholarship, recipients will receive instructions on how to write a **thank-you note to their assigned donor**; the winter term payment will be **conditional** on the proper receipt of this note.

Preparatory schooling: If preparatory schooling is required, recipients are still eligible for the payments of this scholarship. However, the scholarship will not be increased and will last no longer than the scheduled duration of the program.

These scholarships can be **combined** with any other scholarship programs, including the Volet Excellence of the Citizen and World Citizen Scholarships.

Change of legal status: If a scholarship recipient becomes a permanent resident, they still remain eligible to receive the scholarship.

Student Involvement Recognition Policy: If your extracurricular involvement meets the eligibility criteria, it could earn you 3 university credits, a certificate letter, and a note on your transcript**.** Check out the policy on the Student Services Directorate website to learn more and submit your recognition request.