



Merit scholarship program for foreign students (PBEEE) – Université Laval

English form

Donor:

- Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur (MES)
- Fonds de recherche du Québec – Nature et technologies (FRQNT)

Application deadline

June 16, 2025

Warning: Don't wait until last minute to apply! Any request for assistance may take a few days. Therefore, if you contact us close to deadline date, we might not be able to help you within the required timeframe

Objective

These scholarships are offered by Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur (MES) to foster international research activities in Québec universities, attract the best international students, and promote Québec universities abroad.

Amount

• Multiple \$25,000 scholarships (The scholarship amount is \$25,000 per year, for a period of up to three years (nine semesters), with the option of an extension for up to 12 additional months. In addition to the scholarship, MEES will waive the supplemental tuition fees applicable to international students and offer government-sponsored health insurance for all recipients of scholarships through this program.).

Frequency

Offered every year

Eligible applicants

- International students

Who it's for

• Doctoral level

- All PhDs

Eligibility criteria

IMPORTANT: To apply, applicants must have been enrolled in a doctoral program **for a maximum of nine full-time semesters or fewer before May 1, 2026 (all doctoral programs combined)**. All doctoral semesters completed before the scholarship becomes effective (corresponding to the first payment), whether funded or not, are deducted from the eligibility period.

Candidates admitted to the doctoral program after undergraduate studies, and those who are fast-tracking to the doctoral program without having submitted a dissertation, must apply for the doctoral competition to obtain a scholarship during their third, fourth, and fifth years of graduate studies (between the seventh and fifteenth semesters). In this case, applicants may first apply for a **Master's scholarship (VM)** to obtain a scholarship during the first six graduate semesters (the student must have submitted an application for admission to the doctoral program or be a Université Laval student to be eligible).



In addition to the eligibility criteria listed on the [FRQNT website](#), Université Laval has the following requirements:

- **Minimum GPA of 4/4.33*** for the last master's degree program, completed or not. *A certification clearly stating the program GPA from the issuing institution will be required in addition to your transcripts;*
- Applicants must already be registered **or or must have submitted an application for admission in** a doctoral program at University Laval when applying for the scholarship;
- Students must have **at least two (2) scientific articles accepted by or published in a peer-reviewed journal**. For students in a research-creation program, your application file must contain at least two (2) artistic achievements (e.g: recitals, novel, concert, etc.)

* To find out the minimum in your institution's notation, please see the document: "[Conversion de moyenne](#)".

Additional information: <https://frq.gouv.qc.ca/programme/bourses-dexcellence-pour-etudiants-etrangers-pbeee-2025-2026/>

Comments

Please note that information on this scholarship is subject to change. You will find detailed information on the [FRQ website](#) once the application period opens.

To guide you in the preparation of your application (quality of the text, description of the project, quality of the letters of recommendation, etc.), consult the FRQNT document [Building on Excellence](#).

* For ULaval transcripts, Capsule copies are accepted only for the preselection step. FRQNT will only accept official transcripts for the final selection.

Submitting your application

You must complete the online form. Please note that documents sent by email will not be considered. Any document submitted in a language other than French or English must be accompanied by a certified translation. Please consult the list of [Required Documents](#) before submitting your application.

IDENTIFICATION/SUBMISSION: In order to submit your application you must authenticate your identity using the personal identification information sent to you by the UL Registrar's Office when creating your admission package. A delay of 48 to 72 hours might be necessary before you can connect. We suggest that you submit your application for a doctoral program before June 9, 2025 to avoid technical problems.

Note: Please contact us as soon as possible at pbeee@bbaf.ulaval.ca if you already have applied to Laval University but does not succeed to submit your application for this scholarship.

REFEREE:

Your referees will also need to submit their recommendation before the deadline.

Contact

Student Awards and Financial Aid Office (BBAF)
Pavillon Alphonse-Desjardins
2325 rue de l'Université, Room 2546
Québec City, Québec G1V 0A6
Phone: 418-656-3332
1-877-785-2825
Fax: 418-656-7775
pbeee@bbaf.ulaval.ca



Names of scholarship winners may be shared with the donor as well as certain institutions, for administrative purposes. To opt out, please contact the student awards office at info@bbaf.ulaval.ca.

Managed by:

Student Awards and Financial Aid Office (BBAF)