

# NSERC

## Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA) - Summer 2013

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NSERC (Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada) sponsors a program of awards to outstanding undergraduate students. These awards are meant to encourage undergraduate students to undertake graduate studies and pursue a research career in the natural sciences and engineering. The purpose of the award is to supplement the salary of a summer student who is working on an individual research project, designed in conjunction with a faculty member who holds an NSERC Research Grant. Faculty of Agriculture awards will be held in the summer of 2013. Students must work full-time (16 weeks) in research and development in the natural sciences and engineering during tenure of the award.

Application information and a list of eligible research supervisors are available at <http://www.dal.ca/faculty/agriculture/research/usra.html>.

**Completed applications, including transcripts, are to be returned to the Research Office by Friday, February 22, 2013.**

### Faculty of Agriculture Awards

<b>Number of Awards:</b>	Three * Additional awards are available for Aboriginal students who meet the eligibility requirements.
<b>Value of USRA:</b>	Minimum of \$5,625.00 (\$4,500 from NSERC award supplemented by a minimum of 25% of its value by the research supervisor).
<b>Eligibility Requirements:</b>	<div><div>a</div><div>Canadian citizen or permanent resident.</div><div>b</div><div>Registered in a bachelor's degree program (at the time of application) in the natural sciences or engineering.</div><div>c</div><div>Must have completed all the course requirements of at least the <b>first year</b> of university study (or two academic terms) of your bachelor's degree. Students graduating in May are eligible to hold an award.</div><div>d</div><div>Minimum cumulative average of B<sup>-</sup> (70%).</div></div>
<b>Faculty of Agriculture students may apply for USRA awards through other eligible Faculties at Dalhousie or at other Canadian universities. Contact the Faculty/university where you are interested in working to ask about their application process and deadlines.</b>	

**NSERC also offers Undergraduate Student Research Awards in Industry.** These awards provide undergraduate students with the opportunity to gain research and development experience in an industrial setting. A list of the industrial organizations eligible to participate in this program is available from NSERC ([www.nserc.ca](http://www.nserc.ca)). The value of these awards and the eligibility criteria for the industrial awards are similar to those listed above.

**Awards approved for Dalhousie may not be transferred to another institution.**