

**BMO FINANCIAL GROUP GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP IN AGRICULTURE**

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BMO Financial Group created the *BMO Financial Group Graduate Scholarship in Agriculture* to support the attraction and retention of top graduate students to the Faculty of Agriculture, Dalhousie University. This scholarship will be instrumental in the development of the next generation of researchers in agriculture. This scholarship will provide one or more award(s) per year to a top student(s). The number of awards and the amount (up to \$25,000) of each scholarship will be at the discretion of the Graduate Studies Committee.

This award is intended to attract outstanding students into a program of studies leading to a graduate degree (MSc or PhD) at the Faculty of Agriculture, Dalhousie University. The recipient will have shown academic and research excellence.

Students must have applied for, or intend to apply for full-time admission to an eligible graduate program. Recipients of this scholarship must begin full-time graduate academic study at Dalhousie in the academic year for which it has been awarded.

An admission GPA of at least 3.70 is required for eligibility.

The award must be taken up within the first year of the degree program.

The scholarship may be renewable at the discretion of Graduate Studies Committee.

Candidates who hold other scholarships of any kind, including scholarships internal and external to Dalhousie University, will receive the BMO Financial Group Graduate Scholarship as a "top-up award" to their other scholarship, the total not exceeding \$25,000 per academic year or \$8,333 per term.

The award is tenable only at the Faculty of Agriculture, Dalhousie University.

Fees are not waived and must be paid out of the award.

Incomplete applications will not be processed.

Application and annual renewal request deadline: March 30<sup>th</sup>

Application and renewal request form can be found at <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/agriculture/programs/graduate-studies/financial-support.html>

**DOCUMENTATION TO ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION**

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Applicants are required to submit:

Transcripts; unofficial transcripts will be accepted for reviewing purposes, however official transcripts will be required upon acceptance of the award.

Two statement documents. These two statements together may NOT exceed a total of TWO typewritten pages.

- A signed statement of their career development to date and of their future career aspirations
- A research proposal

Three academic letters of reference, one of which must be from the proposed academic supervisor. Letters of support should comment on the following:

- Academic excellence, as demonstrated by past academic results, transcripts, awards and distinctions
- Research Potential, as demonstrated by the applicant's research history, quality and originality of past research contributions, interest in discovery, judgement and ability to think critically, independence, and overall achievement relative to their peers
- The proposed research, its potential contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the field, and any anticipated outcomes.
- Personal characteristics and interpersonal skills, as demonstrated by the applicant's past professional and relevant extracurricular interactions, leadership experiences, and collaborations

The Graduate Studies Office will provide the Selection Committee with a copy of the applicants' transcripts and letters of reference as submitted with their admission documentation.

**APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO:**

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Graduate Studies Office  
Faculty of Agriculture, Dalhousie University  
62 Cumming Drive  
Truro, Nova Scotia  
Canada, B2N 5E3

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MUST BE WORD-PROCESSED OR TYPEWRITTEN  
APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup>

NAME:	
STUDENT NUMBER:	
CURRENT LOCAL MAILING ADDRESS:	
E-MAIL:	
COUNTRY OF BIRTH:	
CITIZENSHIP: <input type="checkbox"/> CANADIAN CITIZEN <input type="checkbox"/> PERMANENT RESIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	
HOME PROVINCE:	COUNTRY:

ACADEMIC RECORD (INCLUDING CURRENT DALHOUSIE GRADUATE PROGRAM):			
UNIVERSITY	DEGREE	DISCIPLINE	MONTH/YEAR OF (EXPECTED) COMPLETION

SCHOLARSHIPS CURRENTLY/PREVIOUSLY HELD:		
SCHOLARSHIP NAME	DATES HELD (D/M/Y)	UNIVERSITY/ORGANISATION

OTHER AWARDS CONFERRED OR ACHIEVEMENTS RECOGNISED:		
TITLE	DATES RECEIVED (D/M/Y)	UNIVERSITY/ORGANISATION

ACADEMIC PROGRAM FOR WHICH SCHOLARSHIP IS REQUESTED:		
PROGRAM:	DEPARTMENT:	PROGRAM START DATE (M/Y):

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS (CHECK BOXES TO INDICATE INCLUSION OF ATTACHMENT):
<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSCRIPTS.
<input type="checkbox"/> A SIGNED, ONE PAGE STATEMENT OF THEIR CAREER DEVELOPMENT TO DATE, THEIR FUTURE CAREER ASPIRATIONS AND THE RELEVANCE OF THEIR PROGRAM OF STUDIES TO THOSE ASPIRATIONS.
<input type="checkbox"/> LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM PROPOSED SUPERVISOR, TWO ACADEMIC LETTERS OF REFERENCE.
<input type="checkbox"/> A SIGNED ONE PAGE RESEARCH PROPOSAL IF APPLYING FOR A THESIS PROGRAM.

NAME OF APPLICANT	SIGNATURE	DATE
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