

School for the Study of Canada International Student Travel Prize



Terms

“School for the Study of Canada International Student Travel Prize” will be awarded annually to an international undergraduate or graduate student with strong academic achievement and a demonstrated interest in the field of Canadian Studies, for travel to a significant heritage site or region of Canada of personal interest. The funds are held as an endowed gift with the intention to support Trent international students to see other parts of Canada or Ontario.

In 2023-2024, the prize will have maximum funding of \$1200 available, and may be awarded to 1 or 2 students, depending on the scope and merit of the applications received. The purpose of the award is to fund a student's expenses and travel to a Canadian site or cultural event of their choice. In exceptional circumstances, more funds may be made available.

Preference will be given to international students majoring in, or having been enrolled in undergraduate or graduate courses offered by the School for the Study of Canada / Ecole d'Etudes Canadiennes (hereafter referred to as SSC/EEC/EEC), though any international students at Trent are encouraged to apply. The SSC/EEC will work with the Trent International Program for the promotion of this opportunity.

Application Procedures:

1)

Each applicant submits a brief written statement (not more than 750 words) outlining how they would like to use the prize.

The statement should indicate a) their personal interest in the site or event they would like to travel to, b) the nature and duration of their interest in the site or event, c) what they seek to gain/learn from the adventure, and d) a preliminary budget for their travels. The budget should include such items as: travel (mileage, rail, bus, air), per diem food expenses, accommodation, and admission or registration expenses. The prize seeks to encourage intellectual and personal development and allow Trent international students an opportunity to explore the Canadian landscape and cultures.

2)

Each applicant must provide the names and contact information of two references, normally from Trent faculty. These references will be asked to reflect on: a) the student's academic performance, b) the referee's understanding of the student's interest in the site or event, c) any personal qualities

which particularly recommend the student for the prize, d) the student's potential as a spokesperson/representative of the SSC/EEC, the Trent International Program, and the university.

3)

The SSC/EEC prize committee will also have access to the student's full Trent transcript.

Responsibilities:

The prize winner will be responsible for two blog posts (their form to be determined by student and a SSC/EEC faculty member) while on their trip. The blog entries will be posted on the SSC/EEC website and may also be used in other university promotions (such as Trent International)

The prize winner will also be invited to deliver a brief presentation about the trip to students and the community in September as part of the School's welcome back celebrations. If this is not feasible, a reflection paper on their experience could be submitted, that would also be shared with the donors who created the prize. All recipients are required to write a letter of appreciation to the donors.

Travel expenses and arrangements related to the prize will be coordinated through the Undergraduate Office of the School for the Study of Canada.

Applications to be submitted to the School for the Study of Canada Undergraduate office electronically to canadianstudies@trentu.ca by no later than November 1 of a given year. Decisions are normally announced in December.

For more information, please contact the School at 705 748 1817 or canadianstudies@trentu.ca.

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Terms and Conditions

1. Should air travel be required, the School for the Study of Canada (SSC/EEC) Awards Committee will purchase one roundtrip economy ticket to the appropriate destination, up to the maximum of the funds awarded. The winner is responsible for travel insurance and for the selection and booking of all subsequent transportation, hotels, etc. In the event that travel insurance is not purchased, the winner is financially responsible for all fees associated with rebooking of tickets, rescheduling, etc. Students are expected to submit proof of travel (receipts, boarding passes, etc), following completion of their trip.
2. The School for the Study of Canada International Student Travel Prize is not responsible for any expenses or cash award beyond those stipulated at the time the prize is awarded. Any additional expenses are the responsibility of the prize winner.
3. Before the prize can be awarded, the winner must sign and date the attached waiver, outlining the risks and indemnifying Trent from any liability for any losses incurred during the trip.
4. The winner agrees to make all reasonable efforts to fulfill all "Responsibilities" (Blog entries, presentation/reflection paper) outlined under the award's terms.
5. Funds must be used in the calendar year in which they are awarded.
6. Priority will be given to student currently majoring or having majored or been registered in courses or programs offered at the undergraduate or graduate level in the SSC/EEC, though applications will be accepted from all current Trent International Students. The SSC/EEC will work with the Trent International Program for the promotion of this opportunity.

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**INFORMED CONSENT WAIVER, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS
ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**



SCHOOL FOR THE STUDY OF CANADA
ÉCOLE D'ÉTUDES CANADIENNES

**BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL WAIVE CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE OR
CLAIM COMPENSATION FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT.**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

Participant's Initials: _____

TO: THE GOVERNORS OF TRENT UNIVERSITY

NAME OF PARTICIPANT: _____

EMAIL and/or ADDRESS OF PARTICIPANT: _____

EVENT: School for the Study of Canada / Ecole d'Etudes Canadiennes International Student Travel Prize

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I am aware that participating in activities **School for the Study of Canada / Ecole d'Etudes Canadiennes International Student Travel Prize** has inherent risks, including but not limited to:

-any manner of injury, including death, resulting from use, misuse, non-use and failure of any equipment, including vehicles

-environmental hazards (allergies, illness, interaction with wildlife, exposure to hazardous substances etc)

- natural hazards resulting in death, injury or property damage (weather, terrain, fire etc).

-negligence or criminal acts of others

-theft, vandalism, or loss of personal or intellectual property

-unplanned costs incurred due to missed travel connections, etc.

-any manner of injury, including death, resulting from services sourced through third party carrier or service provider (rail, bus, air, accommodation, restaurant, etc).

I freely and fully assume all responsibility for all such risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss, pertaining to the **School for the Study of Canada / Ecole d'Etudes Canadiennes International Student Travel Prize**.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of Trent University allowing my participation in activities involved in the School for the Study of Canada International Travel Prize, I agree as follows:

1. TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that I have or may have in the future against Trent University, its governors, officers, employees, students, agents, volunteers and independent contractors (all of whom are hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Releasees");
2. TO RELEASE THE RELEASEES from any liability for any loss, damage, injury or expense that I may suffer, or that my next of kin may suffer as a result of my participation in **the School for the Study of Canada / Ecole d'Etudes Canadiennes International Student Travel Prize** including, but not limited to, negligence, breach of contract, or breach of any statutory or other duty of care, including failure on the part of the releasees to take reasonable steps to safeguard or protect me from the risks, dangers and hazards of participating in the activities referred to above.

DUTY OF CARE: It is my responsibility to abide by the laws of the country and to ensure adequate medical, personal health, dental and accident insurance coverage, as well as protection of my personal possessions.

_____(initial)

3. TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES from any and all liability for any damage to the property of, or personal injury to, any third party, resulting from my participation in the activities of **the School for the Study of Canada / Ecole d'Etudes Canadiennes International Student Travel Prize** and
4. This agreement shall be effective and binding upon my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, assigns and representatives in the event of my death or incapacity.

In entering into this Agreement, I am not relying upon any oral or written representations or statements made by the Releasees other than what is set forth in this Agreement.

This information is collected under the authority of the Trent University Act, Section 18 (3) (c) and will be used to collect your information for contact purposes. Questions or concerns about the collection or use of this information may be directed to Sherry Gosselin, Office of the President, 705 748-1347.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I AM WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE, WHICH I OR MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNS MAY HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS

_____ SIGNATURE OF PARENT /
GUARDIAN RELATION TO MINOR

(for students under 18 years of age)

This agreement must be completed in full, signed, dated, and witnessed and paragraph 2 must be initialed before the participant may participate in the School for the Study of Canada / Ecole d'Etudes Canadiennes International Travel Prize.