

Prix du CORIM – Foreign Relations

Objective

The Prix du CORIM – Foreign Relations (Prix du CORIM) is a scholarship of 20 000 \$ offered to a doctoral student wishing to realize a research project related to the field of international relations. This research project must last at least four (4) months and take place outside of Canada.

Eligibility Criteria

The candidate must be:

- A Canadian citizen or a permanent resident
- Attending a full-time doctoral program in one of the four universities of Montreal:
 - Concordia University
 - McGill University
 - Université de Montréal
 - Université du Québec à Montréal

Selection Procedure

The scholarship will be attributed at the end of a pre-selection process conducted by each university, which are required to submit one (1) application to the CORIM's Board.

CORIM's Board will appoint a committee responsible for making a recommendation to all Board members regarding the final selection.

Each candidate will be interviewed, in addition to the consideration of their complete application file.

Selection Criteria

- Research potential of the applicant
- Academic excellence
- Academic and professional experience
- Communications skills
- Global quality of the application

Required documents

To qualify, applicants to the scholarship must submit the following documents:

- The application form completed and signed
- Their academic curriculum vitae
- A description of the research project (maximum 3 pages)
- All official transcripts of 1st, 2nd and 3rd cycles
- Letters of recommendation:
 1. One letter from the research director covering the nature and the significance of the research project
 2. One letter from a supervisor in the foreign institution where the candidate intends to do his research. The resources of the host institution offered to the candidate's research activities should be indicated
 3. Two letters from referees who must base their recommendation on the academic and professional excellence, research potential and skills of the candidate

Evaluation of applications

The following grid will be used:

Research potential of the applicant demonstrated by the research experience, interest in discovery and innovation, the research's quality and its contribution to knowledge advancement in the field of international relations.	35%
Academic excellence seen in transcripts as well as scholarships, honors and awards received.	20%
Academic and professional experience shown by publications and activities related to international relations in areas such as academics, volunteer work and civic, political, social, cultural and professional action.	20%
Communication skills expressed by scholar curriculum and work experience, commitment to the community and other relevant extra-curricular activities, as well as letters of recommendation and quality of the application.	10%
Quality of the application	10%
Letters of recommendation	5%

Roles and Responsibilities

1. Student :

Once chosen, the applicant must:

- Remain affiliated to the university for the internship's duration;
- Share his research results with the CORIM and report the costs related to the project.

2. Universities :

- Proceed to the pre-selection of one (1) finalist according to eligibility and CORIM's selection criteria.

3. CORIM:

As the donor, the CORIM is accountable for:

- Follow up with universities and obtain the final applications
- Invite pre-selected candidates at a meeting with a committee made up of CORIM Board members, select the recipient and communicate the decision to the universities
- Ensure the payment of the scholarship
- Organize a meeting between the recipient and the CORIM Board to communicate results of the research project
- Communicate the results of the research project through the CORIM communication platforms
- Receive and approve the internship report (including the expense report)

Deadlines

The chosen application must be sent to the CORIM before October 31st 2018. The CORIM's Board members will be making the final decision in November 2018. Finally, the award ceremony will be taking place during the CORIM general assembly in the following month.