



THE UNIVERSITY OF
WINNIPEG

Faculty of
Graduate Studies

Summer 2020 Indigenous Summer Scholars Program Research Project Proposal Form

Program Start Date: May 04, 2020

Program End Date: August 4, 2020

The **Indigenous Summer Scholars program (ISSP)** is a response to the strategic direction of Indigenization set by the University of Winnipeg in 2016. Central to this strategic direction is welcoming the transformation of the academy with the inclusion of Indigenous students and faculty members, and Indigenous ways of knowing and Indigenous knowledge.

Research projects for ISSP do not require an Indigenous focus to be eligible for this program. Under the management of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Scholars will participate in a paid summer program, through which they will be matched with University of Winnipeg faculty members and contribute to their ongoing research projects. Each Researcher or research team will host student(s), to whom they will award a \$5,000 stipend. The student will be immersed in the research team and mentored directly by an assigned faculty member. It is expected that the student will have specific roles and responsibilities, as assigned by the Researcher in the context of the research of the team. Researchers will be asked to participate in a program orientation before the beginning of the program.

The ISSP is a **12-week** research training program that engages Indigenous undergraduate students (or recent graduates) in a variety of scholarly, collaborative, and community-based research projects. During the **first week** of the program, Scholars will participate in a series of workshops to build their academic and research skills. Of central importance will be a workshop in research methodologies, including Indigenous research methodologies. Other workshops will include topics such as academic writing, community engagement, collaborative team-building, proposal writing, and graduate-school application. During this first week, Scholars will be offered housing in order to facilitate their full participation in workshops and in social and cultural activities, such as a welcoming feast and sharing circles. Researchers are also welcome to take part in the orientation, social, and cultural activities.

In weeks **two to twelve**, Summer Scholars will participate with their research teams and Researchers. An ISSP Colloquium concludes the program; all Scholars will be asked to make a presentation about the research project with which they were engaged. In addition to their faculty Researchers, a current University of Winnipeg Indigenous graduate student will act as a mentor to the Scholars. The Graduate Student Mentor will be available to talk to Scholars about their experiences, challenges, successes, and questions. If you would like to host an ISSP Scholar, please complete and return the following form via email to the Faculty of Graduate Studies before **December 15, 2019**.

Please submit questions and completed applications via email to:

Dylan Armitage (d.armitage@uwinnipeg.ca)
Graduate Studies Awards, Training, and Communications Officer
Faculty of Graduate Studies, 1RC023C (Richardson Science Complex)
515 Portage Avenue,
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2E9

Overview of the type of participation the Scholar is expected to undertake

By signing this form, you agree to reserve a \$5,000 stipend for a Summer Scholar in this program.

*If you are interested in one of the \$5,000 stipends from the Faculty of Graduate Studies please indicate so in the "Project Title and Description" section and sign this form.**

Faculty Signature

Date (YYYYMMDD)

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Note: If you would like a specific student to participate on your research project, please nominate that student by completing the *Summer 2020 Indigenous Summer Scholars Program Student Application/Nomination* form and request the student complete their portion of the application.

***Note:** There are only a small number of stipends available from the Faculty of Graduate Studies. You can only apply to receive a stipend if you do not have research funding available to support a student through ISSP.