The Canadian Centre for German & European Studies



Le Centre canadien d'études allemandes et européennes

Canadian Centre for German and European Studies: 2011-12 Graduate Student Funding Opportunities

The Canadian Centre for German and European Studies is pleased to offer funding to individual York Graduate Students pursuing studies in the area of German and European Studies. This support takes the form of a variety of awards, prizes. scholarships and bursaries which have been made possible thanks to the generosity of the Centre's corporate supporters and individual donors

Applications for any of the following funding opportunities should be submitted in hard copy format to the Centre's Office on the 7th Floor of the York Research Tower by the end of the business day identified as the application deadline.

AWARDS, PRIZES, SCHOLARSHIPS and BURSARIES

BMW CANADA AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Through the generosity of BMW Canada Inc., The Canadian Centre for German and European Studies / Le Centre Canadien d'études allemandes et européennes has established the annual **BMW Canada Award for Excellence**.

Candidates must be pursuing the Graduate Diploma in German and European Studies at York University, and must have completed at least one year towards the Graduate Diploma at the time of application.

Candidates will be judged on their cumulative achievements according to the following criteria:

- Academic performance based on grades and faculty recommendations;
- Record of research on Germany, Europe, and/or relations between Canada and Germany or Canada and Europe;
- Involvement in Centre activities;
- Financial need.

The recipient will be selected by a committee of Centre faculty, headed and appointed by Dr. Christina Kraenzle, CCGES Director. The President of BMW Canada or his designate will be invited to participate in the committee's work in an advisory capacity.

The winner will receive a prize of up to \$2500.00 and her/his name will appear on a plaque in the Centre.

Documents Required:

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- A letter of application, outlining the reasons the candidate wishes to be considered and speaking specifically to the criteria listed above;
- A complete *curriculum vitae* that includes a description of publications, presentations, and ongoing research relevant to the Award;
- Copies of relevant papers and publications;
- Transcripts of all post-secondary marks;
- Letters of recommendation from two faculty members, at least one of whom must have taught or supervised the candidate during her/his graduate study at York University;
- Documentation of financial need (a tabulation of income/resources on the one hand, and expenses/obligations on the other hand, that shows a need of at least \$2500.00).

VERNON OLIVER STONG GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN GERMAN & EUROPEAN STUDIES

When Vernon Oliver Stong (who was born in the brick farmhouse on the York campus) died in 2005, he provided an endowment to establish a scholarship in his name, the terms of which are:

This scholarship is available to students who are pursuing the Graduate Diploma in German and European Studies who have a achieved a minimum grade point average of B+. Should a suitable graduate recipient not be found, the scholarship will be awarded to qualified undergraduate students.

The endowment resides in two funds – one which has been matched by Ontario provincial funds through the Ontario Trust for Student Support (OTSS) and one which has not.

The OTSS version requires that a student meet one of the following three criteria: 1. The student has lived in Ontario for at least 12 consecutive months before beginning her/his studies;

2. The student's spouse lived in Ontario for at least 12 consecutive months before the student began studying and the spouse was not a full-time student during this period;

3. The student's parents etc. lived in Ontario or at least 12 consecutive months before the student began her/his current studies.

Value: **\$5000.00 (five awards are available in 2011-12; three for OTSS-eligible students and two for students who are not OTSS-eligible)**

Documents Required:

- Cover letter (stipulating whether student is eligible for OTSS version)
- Curriculum Vitae
- Documentation of Financial Need (a tabulation of income/resources on the one hand, and expenses/obligations on the other hand, that show a need)

Please note: For students applying for the OTSS version, there is an online form from York that will need to be completed later.

In considering applications, CCGES will attempt to award funds so that the greatest number of students benefits the most.

GERLING – GCAN INSURANCE COMPANY AWARD

The Gerling-GCAN Insurance Company Award will be offered annually to a Graduate Diploma student or an affiliated student. An affiliated student is a student with an interest in German and European Studies pursuing a Graduate program at York but not a Graduate Diploma at the Centre. To be affiliated with the Centre, the graduate student must submit to the Director a letter of interest and a curriculum vitae. The recipient of the award must present a minimum "A" average in their course work and demonstrate financial need.

Amount: \$534.84 (two awards)

Documents Required:

- Cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- Documentation of Financial Need (a tabulation of income/resources on the one hand, and expenses/obligations on the other hand, that shows a need of at least \$534.84).

GREATER TORONTO AIRPORT AUTHORITY (GTAA) BURSARY

The Greater Toronto Airport Authority Bursary will be awarded to a student enrolled in the Graduate Diploma and/or to a student affiliated with the Centre, who is working on topics related to urban development and planning or environmental studies. The numbers and amounts of the bursaries to be awarded each year will be decided by a committee of faculty members appointed to York University's Faculty of Graduate Studies and affiliated with The Canadian Centre for German and European Studies.

To be eligible to apply for this award, a student must either be enrolled in the Centre's Graduate Diploma program or affiliated with the Centre. To be affiliated with the Centre, the graduate student must submit to the Director a letter of interest and a curriculum vitae.

Amount: **\$768.59 (one award)**

Documents Required:

- Cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- Documentation of Financial Need (a tabulation of income/resources on the one hand, and expenses/obligations on the other hand, that show a need of at least \$768.59)

HAZEL McCALLION SCHOLARSHIP (with key support from Siemens Canada)

The Hazel McCallion Scholarship honours Mayor McCallion of Mississauga. Recipient of the Officer's Cross of the Federal Republic of Germany, Mayor McCallion has unceasingly promoted the deepening and strengthening of commercial and cultural relations between Germany and Canada. A major contributor to the Hazel McCallion Scholarship Endowment Fund is Siemens Canada. The Scholarship will be awarded annually to one or more York University graduate students who are pursuing the Graduate Diploma in German and European Studies or who are affiliated with the Centre, and who present a minimum average of "A" in their graduate course work. The numbers and amounts of the scholarships to be awarded each year will be decided by a committee of faculty members appointed to York University's Faculty of Graduate Studies and affiliated with The Canadian Centre for German and European Studies.

To apply for this scholarship, students must be enrolled in the Graduate Diploma program or affiliated with the Centre. To be affiliated with the Centre, the graduate student must submit to the Director a letter of interest and a curriculum vitae.

Amount: \$800.00 (one award)

Documents Required:

- Cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- Documentation of Financial Need (a tabulation of income/resources on the one hand, and expenses/obligations on the other hand, that show a need of at least \$800.00)