



## SICS 2026-27: Assessment of Scholarship Nominations

Canadian post-secondary institutions are responsible for managing the selection and administration of scholarships under the Study in Canada Scholarships (SICS) in a manner that ensures transparency, fairness, and accountability.

Selection decisions are guided by the following assessment criteria, and take into account gender representation and geographic diversity, as highlighted by Global Affairs Canada.

<b>Missing Elements</b> <i>Areas where nomination does not meet stated award criteria.</i>	<b>Award Criteria</b> <i>Standards for Award Assessment</i>	<b>Commendable Elements</b> <i>Areas where nomination aligns with Queen's Strategic Interests in the stated criteria.</i>
<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Criterion #1: Accuracy - Supporting Documentation</b></p> <p>All documents meet the criteria as outlined on Queen's University's <a href="#">Global Affairs Canada Scholarship</a> website (verified and submitted via Home University office official through the Qualtrics form).</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Criterion #2: Letter of Intent</b></p> <p>The letter of intent from the candidate is specific to Queen's University and the selected program that student is being nominated to (or research project identified by student).</p> <p>Content will be evaluated on the quality of the submitted letter in explaining the following three points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the rationale for study/research in Canada;</li> <li>• the choice of Queen's University / specific program;</li> <li>• how the proposed program of study or research will relate to their future career.</li> </ul>	

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Criterion #3: Active Institutional Relationship</b></p> <p>Priority for both study and research will be given to nominations from confirmed exchange partners of Queen's University (both at the undergraduate and graduate level) to deepen collaborations between our institutions.</p> <p>Note: study is <b>not</b> open to nominees from institutions without an active exchange agreement that waives tuition.</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Criterion #4: Gender Inclusion</b></p> <p>Queen's will take into consideration the cohort composition to achieve equitable gender participation among participants.</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Criterion #5: Geographic Diversity</b></p> <p>Queen's will take into consideration the cohort composition to achieve a geographic diversity within participating institutions.</p>	

**Total Score:**