

## Call for Applications for the 2024-2025 UMGF Competition

M.Sc. and Ph.D. Students

Department of Soil Science

DEADLINE: MARCH 30, 2024

Prospective and current M.Sc. and Ph.D. students are encouraged to apply for the **2024-2025 Department of Soil Science University of Manitoba Graduate Fellowship Competition (UMGF)**.

The Fellowship is valued at \$14,000 per year for a maximum of 2 years for Master's students and \$18,000 per year for a maximum of 4 years for Ph.D. students. Master's fellowships will not extend beyond the first 24 months of the Master's program. Ph.D. fellowships will not extend beyond the first 48 months of the Ph.D. program.

New students must start their award by January 2024 at the latest. Although students must have a minimum admission GPA of 3.0 to be eligible, admission and in-program GPAs constitute a substantial component of the award assessment. All students regardless of citizenship are eligible to apply.

To hold a UMFG award, a student must apply for and, if offered, accept National Scholarships for which they are eligible, at every possible competition. Some of these National Awards include those offered by NSERC (Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council), SSHRC (Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council), and CIHR (Canadian Institutes for Health Research).

For details, please see the following:

[University of Manitoba Faculty of Graduate Studies Institutional Award Holder's Guide](#)

[University of Manitoba Graduate Fellowship \(UMGF\)](#)

Applicants will submit the following electronically to [Ekta.Badesha@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Ekta.Badesha@umanitoba.ca) by **March 30, 2024**:

- **Transcript** of grades from all university programs. University of Manitoba transcripts downloaded from Aurora are acceptable. Students from other universities who have not yet applied to the Faculty of Graduate Studies can provide a scanned copy of transcripts. Current students who have attended other universities can provide copies of their original transcripts used for their initial application for admission.
- Confirmation of Laboratory and Supervisor (prospective students only)
- **Letter of Intent** describing their educational goals, notional thesis topic area, the name of their thesis advisor, and the date when their program will start.
- **A resumé** indicating exceptional academic achievements and demonstration of leadership and experience, including evidence of research productivity.
- A 300- to 500-word **description** of their intended research.
- **Letters of reference** and Reference Form from two professional referees sent directly from the referee to [Ekta.Badesha@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Ekta.Badesha@umanitoba.ca).