

**THE C. THOMAS SHAY SCHOLARSHIP IN ANTHROPOLOGY
APPLICATION**

DEADLINE: March 1 , 2010

C. Thomas Shay received his MA and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in Anthropology with a minor in Botany. During his graduate work he was awarded a Fullbright Scholarship to study palynology and archaeology at the Danish National Museum. Both his later MA and Ph.D. research combined his interest in botany with his fascination for archaeology. After two years at Colorado State University, he joined the Department of Anthropology at the University of Manitoba in 1967. Until his retirement in 1993, he taught a wide range of anthropology and archaeology courses and supervised more than 25 MA students.

He is interested in ethnobotany, especially the past uses of plants and, together with his wife Jennifer, worked in Greece and in western Canada over a period of 20 years identifying seeds and charcoal from archaeological sites. This research resulted in nearly 50 professional papers, book chapters and reports. He also published a series of lesson plans for grade schools on the history and biology of corn.

In addition to his academic pursuits, Tom was active in civic and community affairs. For many years, he was an active member of the Manitoba Archaeological Society and the Association of Manitoba Archaeologists. He served on the Historic Sites Board of Manitoba for ten years, for a time as chair of the Board's archaeology and legislation committees. He was also active in the Manitoba Naturalists Society. As chair of the Society's Urban Environment Committee, he supervised the Naturally Clean Rivers Project which involved a series of popular brochures aimed at protecting the urban environment. In addition, he organized volunteers to clean up litter from the banks of Winnipeg streams. He represented the Society in radio and television broadcasts, and published several popular articles on environmental protection. In 1997, he was awarded the Prix Manitoba for Heritage Education and Communication.

Tom's research is aimed at trying to more fully understand the past relationships between humans and their natural environments. Only with a fuller understanding of the past, he believes, will we be able to better cope with the future.

In addition to his research and community affairs, Tom has a keen interest in music, theater and visual arts. He also enjoys outdoor activities.

On the occasion of his retirement, former students, friends and colleagues of Tom Shay established a scholarship in his honour, to be awarded annually to anthropology graduate students at the University of Manitoba. The scholarship is open to full-time graduate students in Anthropology, pursuing thesis research for their M.A. or Ph. D. degrees who have completed the majority of their course requirements. Their research is to be carried out within (or at least relevant to) the prairie and boreal forest regions of Manitoba and surrounding provinces and states. Although preference will be given to students wishing to undertake research in archaeology, the award is also open to students in physical and cultural anthropology. Selection is to be based not only on previous academic achievement, but also on the candidate's research proposal, publications, professional activities, community service, level of applicant (e.g. M.A. vs Ph.D.) and past awards. The award is

not automatically renewable. However previous award recipients are encouraged to re-apply. In their re-application they must state how the previous award advanced their research.

Tenable: University of Manitoba, Department of Anthropology

Deadline: **March 1, annually**

Application: Candidates must submit:

1. This application form
2. Two academic letters of reference.
3. A curriculum vitae that includes the following information:
 - a. educational background
 - b. relevant experience
 - c. publications
 - d. other professional activities
 - e. community service
4. A two-to-three page research proposal explaining how the thesis research will enhance our understanding of the cultures and/or ecological relationships of past and/or present
5. A copy of the most recent transcript.

If you are using human subjects as part of your research, you must contact the Committee on Research Involving Human Subjects.

Please forward these materials to the Head, Department of Anthropology, University of Manitoba.

Phone (204) 474 9361

SELECTION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD

Applicants will be advised in writing whether they have been successful. The decision of the awards Committee is final and not open to appeal.

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Please type your application and ensure that it is complete. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

PART I

Last name	First Name	Title
U of M Student Number	Status (e.g. 2nd year MA)	

TITLE OF PROPOSED RESEARCH

ABSTRACT OF PROPOSED RESEARCH

Please summarize your proposal in the space below and explain its contribution to the understanding of the cultures and/or ecological relationships of past and/or present peoples of the prairies and/or boreal forest of Manitoba and/or surrounding provinces and states.

THE RESEARCH PROPOSAL

Attach a two-to-three page proposal (plus reference list) that includes:

- 1) Objectives and their relationship to existing research and literature;
- 2) The theoretical/conceptual framework guiding the research and, where applicable, the research hypotheses;
- 3) (If appropriate) study area or group in terms of location, size, environment, etc. and a map;
- 4) Time period of interest.
- 5) Materials or data to be studied including sample sizes;
- 5) Methods of analysis
- 5) Current status of the research and a timetable for its completion;
- 8) Citations to the literature in your proposal and attach a list of references cited.
- 9) An explanation of how the thesis will enhance understanding of the cultures and/or ecological relationships of past and/or present peoples of the prairies and/or boreal forest of Manitoba and/or surrounding provinces and states.

PART II

VOLUNTEER WORK AND/OR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Please highlight your volunteer activities below and include dates:

PART III

SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS RECEIVED AND/OR APPLIED FOR IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS:

R - received

A - applied for

List most recent award first

<u>Name of Award</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>R/A</u>
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