



ALBERTA ASSOCIATION
ON GERONTOLOGY

Improving the Lives of Older Albertans

PROVINCIAL GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AWARD

The Alberta Association on Gerontology Board is proud to sponsor two prestigious awards, recognizing exceptional graduate students in Alberta with an interest in any aspect of aging. These awards aim to support the recipient's academic pursuits, including costs related to coursework, research, and participation in workshops or conferences.

GRACE MAIER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – MASTER'S

The Master's Graduate Student Scholarship is named in honor of Grace Maier, a distinguished leader in the field of gerontology in Alberta. Grace served as the Director of Specialized Geriatrics at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital, where she pioneered innovative programs designed to enhance outcomes for older adults. Her numerous contributions to the Alberta Association on Gerontology include serving as president and playing an active role in the AAG Futures Policy Forum Stakeholder Collaborative Committee. Grace was widely recognized for her leadership, dedication to patient advocacy, and commitment to improving the lives of older individuals in Alberta.

AAG GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP - PHD

One of the graduate awards will be awarded to an outstanding PhD student in the field of ageing and focusing their dissertation research in this area.

ELIGIBILITY:

Applicants must:

- be registered in a graduate degree program in an accredited post-secondary institution in Alberta.
- not be in the last term of their program.
- demonstrate an interest in any aspect of aging.
- agree to contribute an article for an edition of the *AAGmag* newsletter (e.g., a written summary of planned research).
- not have received a provincial award more than once in their degree program.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: (A complete application will consist of five parts – please submit as one PDF).

1. A two-page cover letter that includes a description of the applicant's current studies or research, relevant volunteer/work experience, future plans in gerontology (academic, research, practice), and a brief statement of how the award will be used to support the applicant's interest in gerontology.
2. A completed application form.
3. A copy of the applicant's curriculum vitae.
4. A copy of all post-secondary education transcripts (they do not need to be original).
5. A letter of reference on institutional letterhead from the student's supervisor. This letter should indicate the student's name in the header and must be submitted directly by the supervisor to AAG either by email or mail (see address below).

CRITERIA:

Applications will be evaluated based on academic excellence, as demonstrated through grades and educational achievements, as well as relevant work or volunteer experience. Additional factors include the applicant's current studies or research plans, their future commitment to the field of gerontology, and a clear explanation of how the award will support their ongoing interest in gerontology. Preference will be given to full-time students and current members of the Alberta Association on Gerontology.

SELECTION PROCESS:

The awards will be adjudicated/administered by the Alberta Association on Gerontology Board. Award recipients will be announced at the Annual General Meeting, AAGmag, and AAG website.

VALUE & DURATION:

One award of \$1,000 will be granted to one Master's graduate recipient, and an additional \$1,000 will be awarded to one PhD scholarship recipient. Both award recipients will also receive a complimentary one-year membership to the Alberta Association on Gerontology.

Application Deadline: Friday, April 11, 2025 @ 4:00 p.m.

Applications to be submitted (all parts submitted as one PDF) via email to info@albertaaging.ca.

