



## October Newsletter

### President's Message

Hello AU Graduate Students!

As the fall weather comes in and Thanksgiving approaches, it is a perfect time to reflect on the ongoing school year and the things we are thankful for. In my own reflection, I am thankful that I am able to complete a degree through AU that will fulfill my professional goals while I work and travel. Submitting an assignment while on a road trip in the Yukon last summer, or completing a learning blog after spending the day working with youth has made my AU experience unique and meaningful in many ways.

Registration for the Graduate Student Research Conference has been extended! Visit <https://augradconference.athabascau.ca> before October 3<sup>rd</sup> and come hear presentations on a variety of topics from faculty and students; the conference program is also now available on the website.

AUGSA has several academic and community engagement awards with a deadline approaching of October 15. Both the Outstanding Distinction Awards and Graduate Citizenship Award are open for application. More information can be found on the AUGSA website under Resources: Student Awards.

All the best,

Lindsay McNena

President, AUGSA

**AUGSA Faculty Representatives needed:** We still have space for a Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative. The position requires usually two online meetings a month and comes with an honorarium of up to \$250 per month. We have seven months left in this election year. Contact [ed@augsa.com](mailto:ed@augsa.com) for more information and an application form.

### [Student Lifeline – Free Counselling and Help Services for AU Students](#)

Student Lifeline is a 24-hour help service available to all AU graduate students. Student Lifeline provides a variety of counselling and support services, free of charge. Access Student Lifeline online or by telephone:

URL: <https://app.lifeworks.com>

Username: AUGSA

Password: wellness

Telephone: 1-877-418-1537

## 2018 Graduate Student Conference

*Imagine: Transforming Lives, Transforming Communities*

October 12-14, 2018

Join us at the 2018 [Graduate Student Conference](#) on Oct. 12-14, 2018

Featuring Keynote Speaker

Dr. Stefanie Ruel

Join your colleagues [register for the conference today!](#) Registrations close October 3!

## Faculty of Graduate Studies

### Funding Opportunities

Several external funding opportunities are available on the [FGS website](#)

Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship (Vanier CGS)

**Application Deadline: 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, October 9, 2018**

Value: \$50,000 per year for three years

If you wish to pursue a nomination from Athabasca University, please go to the following link for more information: <http://www.vanier.gc.ca/en/home-accueil.html>

### **Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarships-Doctoral Program (CGS D) and NSERC Postgraduate Scholarships-Doctoral Program (PGS D)**

Application Deadline: October 15, 2018

Value:

CGS D: \$35,000 a year (for two or three years) PGS D: \$21,000 a year (for two or three years)

### Internal Funding Opportunities

AU offers a number of graduate student awards.

Please visit the Student Awards Website for more details:

<http://registrar.athabascau.ca/studentawards/studawrds.php>

### Persons Case Scholarships

**Application Deadline: October 31, 2018**

Value: \$1,000 - \$5,000

For more information on this scholarship, visit the [Alberta Student Aid website.](#)

## Canadian Graduate Student Master's Awards (CGS-M)

**Application Deadline: November 1, 2018**

**Value: \$17,500 for 12 months, non-renewable**

Refer to the Tri-Agency Harmonization of the Canada Graduate Scholarships website to check on eligibility requirements and application procedures [NSERC – Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's Program](#)

More info on these funding opportunities can be found on the [FGS Funding Opportunities Page](#)

## FGS Webinars

### APA STYLE AND WHAT GRADUATE STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW

**Date: October 17, 2018**

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (MT)

Presented by: Linda McCloud-Bondoc

Mode of Delivery: Adobe Connect

View the [presentation abstract](#)

[Register for this presentation](#)