Description

Registered in 1994, the mandate of the University of Victoria Retirees Association (UVRA) is to further retirees’ social, intellectual, and cultural wellness, and to create opportunities to extend their relationship with the University of Victoria.

The UVRA office is co-located with the Institute on Aging and Lifelong Health. The two organizations share several goals, including hosting presentations on topics of mutual interest, improving the wellness of the older population, and supporting research regarding the needs and experiences of older individuals. The UVRA award reflects these joint aims and is intended to provide encouragement to graduate students at a crucial stage in their careers.

The UVic Retirees Association Award will be awarded to up to two outstanding graduate students whose research is focused on individuals 55 years of age and older.

Eligibility

a) Applicants must be full-time graduate students with a minimum GPA of 7.00.
b) Applicants must be conducting research focused on adults 55 years of age and older.
c) Both Master’s and Doctoral students are eligible to apply, but preference will be given to PhD students.
d) Students may be at any stage in their studies.
e) Students may be studying in any faculty, department, school/division or program at UVic.
f) Applicants must be formally affiliated with the Institute on Aging and Lifelong Health (IALH) by the application deadline. Applicants may apply to become an IALH Student Affiliate within the application submission period. For more information, contact IALHresearch@uvic.ca

Funding

One or two awards valued at $530 to $1060. The total amount to be awarded is $1060.
Conditions

The name, degree, year, and department of the successful applicant(s) will be made public through IALH communication channels (e.g., newsletters, website, social media platforms, etc.). The successful applicant(s) may be asked to present their proposed research project(s) at one or more events hosted by IALH during the 2020/2021 and/or 2021/2022 academic years. The successful applicant(s) may also be asked to present their research at the UVRA’s Annual General Meeting (which is usually held in June each year).

Selection of Recipient(s)

Applications will be reviewed by a three- to five-member Adjudication Committee. As part of the review process, the committee will consider the applicant’s summary of their project; particular emphasis will be placed on the intent (objectives) and anticipated impact(s) of the research project. The applicant’s research interests and previous work and volunteer experiences as they relate to individuals 55 years of age and older will also be considered.

Preference will be given to one or two students who have not received any other awards or whose total award funding (at the time of review) does not exceed $5,000.

Selection of the recipient(s) will be made by the Faculty of Graduate Studies Graduate Awards Committee upon recommendation of the Institute on Aging and Lifelong Health.

Application Process

Applications should include:

a) A completed application form
b) An up-to-date CV
c) A letter of support from your thesis chair/supervisor

Application Deadline:

Tuesday, September 8, 2020