



## **ROB AND TAMMY LIPSON RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP**

### TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### **What is the Rob and Tammy Lipson Research Scholarship?**

The Rob and Tammy Lipson Research Scholarship was established by Rob Lipson, Dean of the Faculty of Science (2010-2019) and his wife, Tammy Lipson. Through this scholarship they want to help more students gain international research experience.

#### **Who is eligible for an award?**

All Science students who have an international research experience opportunity are welcome to apply.

**Note to 2020 applicants:** *A requirement for international travel is waived and/or may be extended to March 2021. Research collaborations must still be international in scope (e.g. collaborator is outside of Canada) to qualify.*

Preference is given to academically outstanding undergraduate or graduate students who have demonstrated a commitment to knowledge translation through one of:

- a) A presentation at a departmental or research centre symposium or colloquium;
- b) Participation in a faculty/UVic presentation event, such as Honours Fest, Ideafest or JCURA; or
- c) A presentation at an external conference.

To be eligible for a Rob and Tammy Lipson Research Scholarship a student at the time of application must:

#### **Undergraduate Students**

- Be registered as a full-time student (12 units or higher) for a bachelor's degree in the Faculty of Science at the University of Victoria in the current Winter Session (September-April)
- Intend to continue in full-time undergraduate studies in the next Winter Session (September-April)
- Have a cumulative GPA of 6.0 or higher for all courses completed at the time of application

#### **Graduate Students:**

- Be registered as a full-time student (3.0 units or higher) for a master's degree or doctoral program

- Have a cumulative GPA of 7.0 or higher for all courses completed at the time of application

### **Value of awards**

One or more scholarships valued between \$2,000 and \$4,000 are awarded annually.

### **How are students selected for the award?**

Applications will be adjudicated by the Research Advisory Committee of the Faculty of Science. Students will be evaluated based on academic excellence (50%) and the strength of the collaborative research opportunity (50%). *Graduate students will be evaluated on the anticipated impact the opportunity will have on their research.*

Previous winners and new applicants will be assessed equally.

### **How and when do you apply?**

To apply for this award, students must complete and submit the following documents to the Office of the Dean of Science by email to **scieoff@uvic.ca** by **April 30<sup>th</sup>**. No handwritten applications will be accepted.

- 1) The Rob and Tammy Lipson Research Scholarship application form
- 2) Itemized list of travel and expenses related to presentation including documentation of other funding support (*optional for 2020 applications*)
- 3) Letter of support from UVic advisor and/or departmental Chair or Director
- 4) Letter of support from international research supervisors

The letters of support from the UVic and International research supervisors should outline the nature of their collaboration, provide a brief summary of the proposed research, and a statement about the level of financial support they are providing towards living and/or travel expenses. The intention of the award is that the UVic advisor will be engaged in the research; however, there may be circumstances where the advisor may be unable to provide financial support, or the department is providing the financial support. In these circumstances, a letter of support from the department Chair/Director will be accepted.

Students who held the award in the previous academic year must submit a new application to be considered for an additional award.

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## Application

## Part 1 - Student Applicant

(to be filled out by student – no handwritten applications will be accepted)

One or more scholarships valued between \$2,000 - \$4,000 are awarded annually to academically outstanding undergraduate or graduate students in the Faculty of Science:

- Who have an international research opportunity. The opportunity needs to be a research collaboration between UVic and an international academic, industry or government research entity;
- Who have been recommended by their Advisor and/or Department Chair; and
- Whose advisor/chair and international collaborator have both committed funding to the students' research opportunity.

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Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Given name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student #: V00 \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Program (e.g. BSc Chemistry): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of UVic Research advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

International Research Experience Opportunity:

Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Location (city, country): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of International Research Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to continue full-time studies in the next Winter Session?    Yes    No

If no, provide explanation:

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Documents to attach to this application:

- Itemized list of travel and expenses related to presentation including documentation of other funding support (*optional for 2020 applications*)
- Letter of support from the UVic Research Advisor
- Letter of support from the International Research Advisor

Description of the International Research Opportunity:

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Signature

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Date

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Print name



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Application

Part 2 – Administration

(to be filled out by Dean's Office)

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Given name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student #: V00\_\_\_\_\_

Dept: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of study at time of application: \_\_\_\_\_

Student registered in \_\_\_\_\_ units in the 12 month period (May-Apr) before the adjudication of the scholarship

Student has earned \_\_\_\_\_ units of course credits toward BSc / MSc / PhD at UVic

Student has demonstrated a commitment to knowledge translation (preferred): Y / N

If yes, through:

Presentation at a departmental or research centre symposium or colloquium

Participation in a faculty/UVic presentation event

Presentation at an external conference

Student intends to continue full-time studies in the following Winter Session: Y / N

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_