



**University  
of Victoria**

Social Sciences



**Edward Martin Memorial Field School Award  
GUIDELINES and APPLICATION  
2026**

**Program Objectives**

The Edward Martin Memorial Field School Award has been developed to enhance Indigenous students' access to the *Indigenous Knowledge, Science and Resource Management* (Geography 453: Koeve Field School) course taught by Chris Darimont and Jess Housty. The intent of this fund is to defray some of the costs of this course – typically offered as a field course – for self-identifying Indigenous students. Up to 6 awards covering full course tuition and potentially field course fees and/or travel and visiting student fees (for students beyond Uvic) will be granted.

**Eligibility Requirements**

- Enrollment in GEOG 453 field course (Koeve Field School: Indigenous knowledge, science, and resource management)
- Applicant self-identifies as Indigenous, with preference for applicants from the Heiltsuk or Wuikinuxv Nations, or other central coast nations.

**Evaluation Criteria and Process**

Applications are due with the field school application (February 26, 2026) and will be evaluated by the Course Instructors. Students will be notified of the outcome of their application by March 13, 2026. Funds will be applied directly to tuition and – if applicable – field school fees and visiting student fees. If available, travel grants for students traveling from afar will be awarded by cheque.

**Application Submission Dates**

Applications for this fund are to be submitted with the application to the GEOG 453 Field School application by February 26, 2026.

**Application Instructions**

Applicants must complete all sections on the application form below. Please submit your application by the deadline, February 26, 2026, ideally with your field school application, and using one of the following methods:

- by email to [geoginfo@uvic.ca](mailto:geoginfo@uvic.ca). Emailed applications should contain “Ed Martin Award” and your name in the file name (i.e., “Ed Martin Award – Sara Brown”).
- OR by mail to GEOG 453, Department of Geography, PO Box 3060 Stn CSC, Victoria, BC V8W 3R4.

**Contact Information**

Direct all inquiries related to this fund to Chris Darimont ([darimont@uvic.ca](mailto:darimont@uvic.ca))

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**Section 1: Applicant Information**

Student name	
Student number	V0
Email & Phone #	
School/Department/Major(s)	
Field course number & title	GEOG 453
Instructor(s)	Chris Darimont & Jess Housty
Field course dates	May 8th – May 14th, 2026
Field course fee (not including tuition)	\$1,500
Field course travel costs (those not included in Field course fee)	
Is this the first Field Course that you will take in your current undergraduate studies?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

**Section 2: Contribution of Field Course to Your Academic and Career Goals**

*Briefly respond to the following fields/questions. Point form is acceptable.*

What are your academic and career goals and how does this field course contribute towards these goals?

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Is there anything else we should know about the importance of this field course for you?

**QUESTIONS?:** Contact: Chris Darimont, Professor, Geography Department. [darimont@uvic.ca](mailto:darimont@uvic.ca). Jess Housty, Executive Director, QQS Projects Society. [jess.housty@gmail.com](mailto:jess.housty@gmail.com)