

## Association of Consulting Archaeologists Graduate Student Award 2023

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The goal of the Award is to provide funding for graduate students in Alberta, and worthy candidates from elsewhere, to conduct research using data developed by Alberta consulting archaeologists. For 2023, **at least one award in the amount of \$500 each will be issued.** This award is targeted towards students, at the Masters or Doctoral level, enrolled in graduate studies in an archaeology, anthropology, or related department at an accredited Alberta post-secondary institution. Consideration will also be granted to graduate students in similarly accredited programs elsewhere who have worked on data derived from archaeological consulting projects within Alberta and who have a letter of reference from a qualified permit holder in Alberta.

A potential recipient must be in the process of writing a Masters Thesis or Doctoral Dissertation that includes consideration of data gathered by consulting archaeologists on projects sanctioned under the Alberta *Historical Resources Act*. This data may include any of the following: an examination of artifacts collected under a Historic Resource Impact Assessment (HRIA) or Historic Resource Impact Mitigation (HRIM); a review of HRIA survey data; review or criticism of HRIA/HRIM methodologies; review or criticism of HRIA/HRIM conclusions; or any other data deemed appropriate by the committee charged with determining the recipient. Acceptable expenses include tangible costs related to Thesis or Dissertation research. Examples of these costs include (but are not limited to): travel costs, accommodations, field or laboratory equipment, archaeometric testing, and hourly salaries for qualified basic-level field and laboratory assistants at an appropriate consulting rate. The award value cannot be used to cover the salary of the qualified recipient or to cover any basic day-to-day expenses of the qualified recipient.

### **Application Process:**

Please submit the following documents to be considered for the ACA Graduate Award:

- 1) a research design of at least one page (excluding references and figures) detailing the purpose of the research and highlighting the use of data developed through consulting archaeology work in Alberta;
- 2) a one-page budget detailing the expenses of the proposed research, specify how the award funds will be used;
- 3) a professional CV, totaling no more than 3 pages, detailing their academic and professional qualifications. In particular the applicant should focus on their professional consulting experience.

Optional: Applicants will also have the option to submit letters of reference (maximum of two) from qualified professors who have worked with them on their graduate research or ACA members who employed them.

**March 24, 2023** is the deadline to submit application materials **by email** to:  
[admin@consultingarchaeologists.org](mailto:admin@consultingarchaeologists.org)

The award recipients will be announced by April 6, 2023. A one-page summary detailing how the award money was used is required from the successful applicant by December 31, 2023. For further details please contact the ACA at: [admin@consultingarchaeologists.org](mailto:admin@consultingarchaeologists.org)