



Department of Law & Legal Studies Graduate Student Travel and Research Bursary (GSTRB) Policy

The Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs (FGPA) supports students in financial need who have expenses related to research and travel. For a full list of criteria, please consult the website:

http://carleton.ca/geography/wp-content/uploads/GSTRB_Application.pdf

The overall bursary consists of contributions from the home faculty (Faculty of Public Affairs, FPA) and a departmental contribution that is funded and administered by FGPA. This policy sets out how the department allocates the departmental contribution to GSTRB bursaries.

1. When can I apply and how often am I eligible for funding?

- GSTRB applications are accepted on a rolling basis. There is no general deadline; however, you must submit the application at least one month before your travel starts. Please apply as soon as you have the conference confirmation and have made your travel arrangements.
- You are eligible to receive support for up to one conference (at which you present your research) per academic year (Sept 1st to Aug 31st).
- MA students are eligible for GSTRB support for one conference (with a paper presentation) over the course of their program.
- PhD students are eligible for GSTRB support for four conferences (with a paper presentation) over the course of their program.
- The preceding rules on the number of conferences for which GSTRB support can be granted are not applied retroactively.
- As per FGPA rules, students who have exceeded their time limit to completion and are on extensions are not eligible for GSTRB support.
- In order to apply for the GSTRB, you need to have a Thesis or MRP supervisor. In exceptional cases, students who do not currently have a supervisor can be considered; these students need to submit an explanation of their research trajectory and the reasons why they do not have a supervisor.

2. What amount of funding can I expect?

- While all graduate students are encouraged to attend talks and lectures and to present their work in progress, presenting at academic conferences is especially important for PhD students. The gradation in funding amounts reflects this need.
- The amounts in the table below are based on the current budget situation and an estimate of the number of GSTRB applications per year. If the ratio of available funds per application changes, the amounts in the table will be adjusted while keeping the proportions intact.
- The figures in the table are based on conference travel. The amounts for field research may be higher depending on the expenses, duration of the stay, and the availability of funds.

Table: Expected FGPA contribution to GSTRB applications as assigned by the department

	MA students	PhD students
Regional (Montreal, Toronto)	\$75	\$150
Domestic	\$150	\$300
International	\$300	\$600