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## **Supporting Black Leadership in the Nonprofit Sector: MPNL Award for Black Emerging Fundraising Professionals**

With the initiative and support of alumna Muthoni Kariuki and members of the Black Canadian Fundraisers' Collective, this Award was established in 2020 to promote Black leadership within the philanthropic and nonprofit sector and to make professional education more equitable and inclusive.

Given annually by the Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs on the recommendation of the Graduate Supervisor of the Master of Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership, the Award supports Black students entering or continuing in the MPNL program. Preference will be given to students who demonstrate their intention to pursue a career in professional fundraising.

If you are a Black student in the MPNL program (full-time or part-time) and wish to be considered for the Award in a given year, then please answer the following questions and send them as an attachment to [MPNL@carleton.ca](mailto:MPNL@carleton.ca) by **September 17th**. Your answers will help us understand what the Award would do for you and what you in turn hope to do for the sector.

Please limit each of your answers to no more than 250 words (750 words overall).

1. Have you been a recipient of this award in the past?
2. Please explain how your lived experience has informed your decision to undertake advanced study in philanthropy and nonprofit leadership.
3. What changes do you wish to see in the nonprofit and philanthropic sector and what will be required to achieve these?
4. Please describe how the MPNL program would help prepare you, as a Black professional, to pursue and realize those changes.