Awards, Grants, Travelling Fellowships & Visiting Professorships

AWARDS AND GRANTS BUILD A BETTER HEALTH CARE SYSTEM
The Royal College encourages excellence in specialty medicine by distributing $1 million a year in awards, grants, fellowships and visiting professorships. In this way, we support Fellows and other health professionals as they develop new knowledge and bring a higher level of expertise to their practice.

Funding for our awards and grants program comes from generous donors, general Royal College revenues and interest income from our Educational Fund.

Get involved; we encourage members of the Royal College to put their personal mark on our awards and grants program. Fellows may wish to nominate a colleague for a specific honour. Others may wish to seek funding to further their own education, build new skills or conduct important research.

More information about the Royal College Awards and Grants program can be found on our website www.royalcollege.ca/grants

Please note that criteria and deadlines are subject to change. Please consult website to confirm specific award details.

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Please note—the first $500 of a grant is exempt from income tax; grants in excess of $500 must be included in income in the year received. Please refer to Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Income Tax Folio S1-F2-C3: Scholarships, Research Grants and Other Education Assistance for an explanation of taxation of scholarships. Successful applicants in receipt of one or more grants/awards exceeding $500 within a calendar year will receive a T4A.
Personal Achievement Awards

The Royal College awards program honours individual contributions to specialty medicine and surgery in Canada and around the globe.

Royal College AMS Donald Richards Wilson Award for CanMEDS Integration

About
This award is given annually to a medical educator or an identified leader of a team, program, or department who has demonstrated excellence and innovation in integrating the CanMEDS roles into a Royal College or other health related training program.

Eligibility
No restrictions.

Value
$2,000 accompanied by an engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred.

Closing
Second Friday in September, annually.

Nominate
AMS Donald Richards Wilson Award

Royal College Dr. Thomas Dignan Indigenous Health Award

About
This award acknowledges and celebrates Canadian physicians or physicians-in-training who epitomize a zeal and devotion to Canadian Indigenous rights and the dogged pursuit of justice for Canada’s Indigenous people.

Eligibility
Open to Canadian physicians, residents or medical students.

Value
$1,000 accompanied by an engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred.

Closing
Second Friday in September, annually.

Nominate
Dr. Thomas Dignan Indigenous Health Award

Duncan Graham Award in Medical Education

About
This award is conferred upon an individual, in recognition of outstanding lifelong contribution to medical education.

Eligibility
No restrictions.

Value
$1,000 accompanied by an engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred.

Closing
Second Friday in September, annually.

Nominate
Duncan Graham Award
The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

Personal Achievement Awards

**International Residency Educator of the Year Award**

**About**
This award is conferred upon an international residency educator who has demonstrated a commitment to enhancing residency education as evidenced by innovation and impact beyond his/her program.

**Eligibility**
Post-Graduate educator outside Canada.

**Value**
Engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred, International Conference on Residency Education (ICRE) registration.

**Closing**
Early spring annually, see website for exact date.

**Nominate**
[International Residency Educator of the Year Award](#)

**International Resident Leadership Award**

**About**
This award is conferred upon an international resident who has demonstrated leadership in specialty education and encourages the development of future leaders in medicine.

**Eligibility**
Enrolled in a postgraduate training program outside of Canada.

**Value**
Engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred, International Resident Leadership Summit (IRLS) registration.

**Closing**
Early spring annually, see website for exact date.

**Nominate**
[International Resident Leadership Award](#)

**James H. Graham Award of Merit**

**About**
This award is conferred upon a person whose outstanding achievements reflect the aims and objectives of the Royal College.

**Eligibility**
No restrictions.

**Value**
Engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College Convocation at which the award is conferred.

**Closing**
Second Friday in September, annually.

**Nominate**
[James H. Graham Award of Merit](#)
Personal Achievement Awards

KJR Wightman Award for Scholarship in Ethics
About
The Royal College presents this award for scholarship in ethics for the best scholarly paper developed by a resident.
Eligibility
Resident in a Royal College accredited residency program.
Value
$1,000 monetary award along with a certificate.
Closing
Spring annually, see website for exact date.
Apply
KJR Wightman Award for Scholarship in Ethics

Kristin Sivertz Resident Leadership Award
About
This award is conferred upon a resident who has demonstrated leadership in Canadian specialty education and encourages the development of future leaders in medicine.
Eligibility
Resident enrolled in a Royal College accredited post-graduate program.
Value
Engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred, IRLS registration.
Closing
Early spring annually, see website for exact date.
Nominate
Kristin Sivertz Resident Leadership Award

Charles Peter W. Warren History of Medicine Essay Prize
About
This essay prize is awarded to a resident for the best scholarly essay pertaining to the history of specialty medicine, the history of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and/or the history of Post-Graduate Medical Education in Canada.
Eligibility
Residents in a Royal College accredited program or Fellows within two years of having completed training.
Value
$1,500 and mentorship for securing publication.
Closing
Second Friday in September, annually.
Apply
Peter Warren History of Medicine Essay Prize
Program Administrator Award for Innovation and Excellence

About This award is conferred upon a Residency Program Administrator (PA) who has demonstrated a commitment to enhancing residency education as evidenced by innovation and excellence beyond his/her program.

Eligibility Program administrators for Royal College accredited residency programs.

Value Engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred, PA conference registration.

Closing Early spring annually, see website for exact date.

Nominate Program Administrator Award for Innovation and Excellence

Program Director of the Year Award

About This award is conferred upon a program director who has demonstrated a commitment to enhancing residency education as evidenced by innovation and impact beyond his/her program.

Eligibility Current Program Directors for Royal College accredited residency programs.

Value Engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred, ICRE registration.

Closing Early spring annually, see website for exact date.

Nominate Program Director of the Year Award

Regional Mentor of the Year Award

About This award is conferred upon a person who has demonstrated excellent role model qualities or competencies of Leader, Scholar and Professional as described in the CanMeds Framework.

Eligibility Royal College Fellows.

Value Engraved memento, honored at a regional event.

Closing Late winter annually, see website for exact date.

Nominate Regional Mentor of the Year Award
The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

Personal Achievement Awards

**Regional Prix d’Excellence / Specialist of the Year**

**About**
This award is conferred upon a person who has made significant contributions in providing outstanding care to their patients and the community in which they practice.

**Eligibility**
Royal College Fellows.

**Value**
Engraved memento, honored at a regional event.

**Closing**
Late winter annually, see website for exact date.

**Nominate**
Regional Prix d’Excellence / Specialist of the Year

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**Teasdale-Corti Humanitarian Award**

**About**
This award acknowledges and celebrates Canadian physicians who, while providing health care or emergency medical services, go beyond the accepted norms of routine practice, which may include exposure to personal risk. The recipient’s actions will exemplify altruism and integrity, courage and perseverance in the alleviation of human suffering.

**Eligibility**
Open to Canadian physicians worldwide.

**Value**
Engraved memento, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the award is conferred, usually at Convocation.

**Closing**
Second Friday in September, annually.

**Nominate**
Teasdale-Corti Humanitarian Award

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**International Collaboration Award**

**About**
This award is presented to individuals (Fellows or non-Fellows) who have demonstrated leadership and excellence in advancing post-graduate medical education and residency training outside Canada, through but not limited to enacting, participating in, or promoting Royal College frameworks, programs and/or collaborations.

**Eligibility**
Open to medical educators or leaders of a team, program or department outside of Canada.

**Value**
Framed certificate presented at a Royal College event relevant to the recipient or at an event in the home country of the recipient.

**Closing**
Second Friday in September, annually.

**Nominate**
International Collaboration Award
The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

Professional Development Grants

Grants provide funding for research and professional development across a wide range of disciplines, health settings and environments.

**Regional Continuing Professional Development Activity Grant**

**About**
Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Activity grants are provided to physician organizations to assist in the development of accredited learning activities.

**Eligibility**
Regional or provincial physician organization. An organization may receive funding once every 2 fiscal years.

**Value**
$2,000.00 per event.

**Closing**
Accepted year-round, contingent on funding availability.

**Apply**
[Regional Continuing Professional Development Grant](#)

**Regional Professional Development Grant**

**About**
Supports self-learning activities that are prospectively planned by individual Fellows in collaboration with a mentor, supervisor or instructor. Can be developed as individual traineeships to learn a skill or expand an area of competence relevant to one’s scope of practice, or can support participation in formal courses.

**Eligibility**
Royal College Fellow residing in Canada. Fellows may receive funding once every five fiscal years.

**Value**
Up to $4,000.00.

**Closing**
Accepted year-round, contingent on funding availability.

**Apply**
[Regional Professional Development Grant](#)
Research Grants

**Medical Education Research Grant**

**About**
Supports high quality research in Canada that will advance the field of postgraduate medical education or continuing professional development.

**Eligibility**
Any individual, however a Fellow of the Royal College must contribute to the research project.

**Value**
Up to $25,000 per year to a maximum of $50,000 per project.

**Closing**
Late winter annually, see website for exact date.

**Apply**
[Medical Education Research Grant](#)

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**Robert Maudsley Fellowship for Studies in Medical Education**

**About**
This fellowship helps specialists acquire knowledge and skills in the field of medical education in order to develop educational programs, evaluation methods and medical education research.

**Eligibility**
Royal College Fellows.

**Value**
Up to $40,000 per year of study.

**Closing**
Second Friday in September, annually.

**Apply**
[Robert Maudsley Fellowship for Studies in Medical Education](#)
## Research Grants

### Royal College / AMS CanMEDS Research Development Grant

**About**  Supports research, development, and/or implementation of projects that enhance specialty education through the key CanMEDS including faculty development, course development and/or medical education research.

**Eligibility**  Any individual, however a Fellow of the Royal College must contribute to the research project.

**Value**  Up to $25,000.

**Closing**  Late winter annually, see website for exact date.

**Apply**  [Royal College / AMS CanMEDS Research Grant](#)

### Strategic Calls

**About**  Periodically, the Royal College issues strategic calls for proposals for research in specific topics in medical education.

**Eligibility**  Any individual, however a Fellow of the Royal College must contribute to the research project.

**Value**  Varies.

**Closing**  Varies, depending on timing of the call.

**Apply**  [Royal College Research Grant](#)
Detweiler Travelling Fellowship

About
This fellowship will enable the recipient to visit a medical centre in Canada (other than their own) or abroad, to study or gain experience in the use or application of new knowledge or techniques or to further the pursuit of a project relevant to clinical practice or research.

Eligibility
Royal College Fellows, and residents in their last year of training in a Royal College accredited program.

Value
Junior applicants will receive up to $21,000, Senior applicants will receive up to $10,500.

Closing
Second Friday in September, annually.

Apply
Detweiler Travelling Fellowship

Harry S. Morton Travelling Fellowship in Surgery

About
This fellowship provides funds for Canadian surgeons and surgical residents travelling to the UK and may be used to support surgery-related clinical, scientific, or medical education studies or research.

Eligibility
Royal College Fellows, and residents in their last year of training in a Royal College accredited program.

Value
Monetary award up to $50,000/year for two years.

Closing
Second Friday in September, annually.

Apply
Harry S. Morton Travelling Fellowship in Surgery
**Visiting Professorships**

Visiting Professorships help broaden knowledge and foster scientific dialogue in specialty medicine.

### Balfour Mount Visiting Professor in Palliative Medicine*

**About**

This professorship brings distinguished international lecturers in palliative care to health science faculties in Canada to engage in discussion about, and to lecture on, the physical, psycho-social and spiritual needs of patients requiring palliative care.

**Eligibility**

No restrictions.

**Value**

Honorarium, travel and expenses to hosting faculty.

**Closing**

Second Friday in September, biennially.

**Nominate**

[Balfour Mount Visiting Professor in Palliative Medicine](#) * offered biennially in odd years

### Harry S. Morton Lectureship in Surgery

**About**

The purpose of this lectureship is to advance and to promote study of and research in surgical training and the practice of surgery, by providing support for a nominated surgeon from the United Kingdom to travel to a Canadian centre.

**Eligibility**

Surgeons from the UK, nominated by a Canadian Faculty of Medicine or National Specialty Society.

**Value**

Monetary award up to $7,000 to cover expenses.

**Closing**

Second Friday in September, annually.

**Nominate**

[Harry S. Morton Lectureship in Surgery](#)

### Janes Visiting Professorship in Surgery *

**About**

The purpose of this visiting professorship is to stimulate and increase an interest in the latest developments in surgery and surgical techniques.

**Eligibility**

Preferably a Canadian surgeon.

**Value**

Travel and expenses, up to $7,000.00, to visit up to three Canadian medical schools.

**Closing**

Second Friday in September, biennially.

**Nominate**

[Janes Visiting Professorship in Surgery](#) * offered biennially in even years
The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

Visiting Professorships

John G. Wade Visiting Professorship in Patient Safety and Simulation—Based Medical Education

About  This award supports a distinguished educator to visit a Royal College accredited simulation centre in Canada, in order to promote the use of simulation in medical education, and its applications to improving patient safety.

Eligibility  No restrictions.

Value  $1,000 honorarium, plus travel and expenses up to $3,000.00.

Closing  September, annually. See website for exact date.

Nominate  John G. Wade Visiting Professorship in Patient Safety and Simulation

KJR Wightman Visiting Professorship in Medicine *

About  The visiting professor participates in undergraduate and postgraduate teaching and in discussions with peers, both in internal medicine and in the professor’s particular area of academic interest.

Eligibility  No restrictions.

Value  Travel and expenses up to $7,000.00.

Closing  Second Friday in September, biennially.

Apply  KJR Wightman Visiting Professorship in Medicine

* offered biennially in even years

McLaughlin-Gallie Visiting Professorship

About  The visiting professor participates in undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, and in the exchange of ideas with staff, researchers and undergraduate and postgraduate students. Themes for the VP are selected annually by the Awards Committee.

Eligibility  No restrictions.

Value  Travel and expenses up to $7,000.00.

Closing  June 30 annually.

Nominate  McLaughlin-Gallie Visiting Professorship
The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

Honorary Fellowship Award

One of the most prestigious awards offered by the Royal College to individuals not eligible for Fellowship.

Honorary Fellowship

About
Honorary Fellowship is one of the most prestigious awards that the Royal College can bestow. Since 1933, we have invited exceptional physicians, surgeons and lay persons who are not eligible for Fellowship to become Honorary Fellows.

Eligibility
Anyone not previously certified by the Royal College.

Value
Royal College Honorary Fellowship, certificate, travel and expenses to Royal College event at which the Fellowship is bestowed (usually Convocation).

Closing
November, annually. See website for exact date.

Nominate
Honorary Fellowship