

Queen Elizabeth Scholars (QES) 2024 - EOI

FACULTY EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - EOI Deadline June 30, 2023 (Full submission July 21, 2023)

The Queen Elizabeth Scholars program provides funding for a program of exchange of students in support of collaboration initiatives and academic diplomacy. Universities are limited to the submission of a single institutional application. For this funding cycle, Lakehead International and Research and Innovation are collaborating to develop a joint institutional proposal. Please note that the QES program is a highly competitive program with an anticipated funding of 6-7 projects across Canada.

Please note that we are soliciting ideas, not commitments, at this stage.

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The program aims to develop the next generation of innovative leaders and community builders by providing enriched academic, professional, and cross-cultural experiences and by facilitating lasting local and global community engagement. Projects must support at least one of three themes: 1) health, 2) education, and/or 3) social and economic development.

Funding of up to CAD 300,000 over five years is available to support student mobility - both inbound and outbound (with a priority on outbound numbers). The number of students funded depends on the length of stay of the desired opportunities (minimum of 2 months). Eligible activities include:

- **Outbound:** Study, research or internship support for **Canadian Citizens or permanent residents** (3rd/4th year undergrads, master's, and PhD students, must be under 35 years at the time of application).
- **Inbound:** Short-term study or research for graduate students only from an [eligible country](#).

NOTE 1: While QES guidelines support funding for international graduate students seeking degrees (long-term study), the Faculty of Graduate Studies is unable to guarantee tuition waivers, therefore this proposal will not include opportunities for long-term (graduate degree) study.

NOTE 2: The overall QES program must commit 70% of funding to outbound student projects for Canadian students. Therefore, successful EOIs must include an outbound component.

NOTE 3: All QES funded activities for outbound students must be for academic credit/recognition (includes co-curricular record). There is a mandatory community engagement component for all activities.

NOTE 4: Students must be able to communicate in at least one of the languages used by the partner organization/institution (If the host institution says English is OK, then that will be accepted).

We are seeking input from faculty members with international collaborations who would be interested in supporting student exchange through this program. We anticipate being able to support 2-3 collaborations through this proposal based on (a) meeting eligibility criteria

and program objectives, (b) level of support within Lakehead and from the partner institution(s), (c) departmental/institutional support for outbound (Lakehead) student participation, (d) our ability to construct a coherent plan around diverse proposals.

If you would like to submit an EOI for more than one international partner institution, please complete a separate EOI for each partner institution.

Interested faculty members are asked to complete this Google Form by June 30th, 2023: <https://forms.gle/aJWMjqQXqa6wchBz8>