Western – SGPS Doctoral Excellence Award for Tri-Agency Scholarship Recipients

What is the Western-SGPS Doctoral Excellence Award?
- An award, provided by SGPS, aimed to recruit and retain outstanding doctoral students, encourage our doctoral students to develop and submit highly competitive applications for Tri-Agency scholarships and reward excellence in doctoral studies.
- This award will start September 1, 2016.

Eligible Doctoral Tri-Agency Scholarship:
- Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship – CIHR
  - (also receives $10,000 from Research Development Services)
- Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship – NSERC
  - (also receives $10,000 from Research Development Services)
- Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship – SSHRC
  - (also receives $10,000 from Research Development Services)
- CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarship - Doctoral
- NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship - Doctoral
- NSERC Postgraduate Scholarship - Doctoral
- SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship - Doctoral
- SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship

New, Incoming Doctoral Students Who Win a Doctoral Tri-Agency Scholarship
- In the first year, Western will award each student with $15,000 when the start date of his/her eligible doctoral Tri-Agency scholarship is concurrent with the start date of his/her doctoral program at Western, this includes:
  - Direct-Entry Doctoral Students
  - Master’s to Doctoral Transfers

Current Western Doctoral Students who win a Doctoral Tri-Agency Scholarship
- Western will award each recipient with $10,000 for the duration of the doctoral Tri-Agency Scholarship and as long as the student is considered funding eligible at Western.

How will students receive the funds?
Once the doctoral Tri-Agency scholarship is activated for new, incoming doctoral students SGPS will automatically provide $3,333.33 per term for the first three terms for a total of $10,000 through Student Center account.

For continuing students SGPS will automatically provide $1,666.67 per term ($5,000 annually) through your Student Center account.

For both new and continuing students the graduate program is required to provide an additional $1,666.67 per term for a total of $5,000 per annum. The program funds can be in the form of a teaching assistantship or scholarship funds. However, the match must not include funds from the supervisor (i.e., research grant funds); although supplementing the match with additional (i.e., in excess of the $5,000 from the program) from the supervisor is also encouraged.

The SGPS Doctoral Excellence Award is limited to the normal duration of the student’s program.