

2013-2014 Nexen Scholars Going Public Award

In an effort to support the dissemination of research results produced by Nexen Scholars, we are pleased to announce a call for applications for the 2013-2014 Nexen Scholars Going Public Award. This award may be used to reimburse registration, lodging, transportation, and per diem expenses up to a maximum of \$2,000 (see Mount Royal University's Travel and Expense Policy 820-1 for acceptable expenses).

The 2013-2014 Nexen Scholars Going Public Award is available to all Nexen Scholars who are presenting:

- a. Findings resulting from data gathered for their original Nexen project **OR** findings resulting from a subsequent SoTL inquiry;
- b. At venues and to audiences beyond Mount Royal University, and;
- c. Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014 (during the 2013-2014 academic year).

To apply for the 2013-2014 Nexen Scholars Going Public Award, all Scholars should submit a letter of application (in the form of a doc or pdf file) that includes Part I, and either Part IIa or Part IIb, as outlined below.

Part I (All Scholars)

1. Name and cohort year
2. Department/Program and Faculty/Unit
3. Title and abstract of the poster, paper or presentation through which you are going public
4. Venue at which you are presenting the work
5. Copy of the email or letter confirming the acceptance of your presentation at the specified venue (or as soon as it is available)
6. Relevance of the presentation opportunity to the applicant's current or future research activities
7. Draft budget of expected expenses for which you hope to receive reimbursement (up to \$2000)

Part IIa (scholars who are presenting data from their original Nexen project)

8. a statement listing the venues where you have previously presented or published your findings and the stage of the analysis at each presentation, describing progression in data analysis and/or different slices of data tailored to different audiences
9. a statement describing the data and type of analysis being presented at the current venue, if not described in the abstract.

Scholars may receive up to two Going Public Awards for presenting their original Nexen project findings at various venues, and may apply for this award at any time during the academic year. Subsequent applications for presentation of the same project must show progression of analysis and/or include different slices of data, and will be reviewed in the competitive pool with the applications described below.

Part IIb (scholars who are presenting a subsequent SoTL inquiry)

8. a research proposal fully describing the inquiry and methodology;
9. a copy of the ethics clearance letter if appropriate;
10. a statement describing the data and type of analysis being presented at the current venue, if not described in the abstract.

Applications for subsequent projects will be awarded competitively, with at least 5 awards available in fall and 5 in winter. Deadlines for applications are **Aug 31** (for conferences Aug-Dec)* and **Feb 1** (for conferences Jan-July). Priority will be given to projects which have not been funded previously, that have a clearly described methodology, and are at an advanced stage of data analysis.

*** Deadline for applications for conferences August – December 2013 is October 1, 2013.**

The Dean (Faculty of Teaching and Learning) and the Director (Institute for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning) will review all applications until a review committee is established (by the end of December 2013).

In order to receive reimbursement for going public expenses, Scholars must submit the following to Anne Johnston, for review by the Director of the Institute for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning:

1. Completed MRU expense report that includes all costs and receipts for which you are requesting reimbursement;
2. A brief report (Word or pdf format) including:
 - a. Name and cohort year;
 - b. Reference or link to the presentation if available in a conference proceedings or elsewhere (e.g. personal website);

- c. Brief description of what was presented including methodology, data, analysis and findings, suitable for posting on the ISoTL website;
- d. Value of the presentation opportunity to the applicant's current or future research activities;
- e. Explanation of the impact you feel this presentation has had or will have on teaching and learning beyond Mount Royal University.

For additional information please contact the Institute for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning through Anne Johnston at ajohnston@mtroyal.ca.

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