



## **CSAP GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING Scholarship Program Information Package**

The Contaminated Sites Approved Professionals of British Columbia (“CSAP Society”) is supporting the next generation of Contaminated Sites Approved Professionals by offering up to three scholarships annually to science and engineering graduate students whose studies are relevant to the assessment and remediation of contaminated sites in British Columbia.

For background and information, applicants are directed to the following websites:

- [The Ministry of Environment and Parks, Site Remediation website](#)
- [CSAP Society website](#)

### **About the CSAP Society**

The CSAP Society is a self-regulating professional society mandated by the *BC Environmental Management Act*. Under the mandate, CSAP Society’s members, referred to as Approved Professionals, are credentialed to review application for environmental certification documents and make recommendations to the BC Ministry of Environment and Parks (“ENV”) that the certification documents be released. The CSAP Society also represents the best interest of government, industry, and public by providing advice on regulatory policy in BC. The CSAP Society is recognized as a leader and catalyst for innovative, value-driven approaches to improving land and water quality for the beneficial use of all.

### **Scholarship Details**

CSAP Society will award up to three (3) scholarships to each eligible applicant whose meets the eligibility criteria and application requirements listed below.

- Two scholarships are valued at \$5,000 each.
- One scholarship, the Mike Macfarlane Memorial Scholarship, is valued at \$7,000. The Mike Macfarlane Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of Mike Macfarlane, the former Director of the Land Remediation Section of ENV and is awarded for outstanding innovative and forward-thinking research relevant to contaminated sites in BC.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

1. Applicant must be enrolled in and have started a science or engineering program leading to a post graduate project or thesis.
2. Applicant must have a clearly defined research project (can be full thesis or a major project for

a coursework masters) and demonstrate the relevance of the research to the investigation and remediation of contaminated sites.

3. Applicant must be enrolled in a graduate degree program with an expected completion date being in the following calendar year and describe their research project in enough detail to determine its merits for scholarship award. Scholarships will be preferentially awarded to students beginning their work, not completing it.
4. Applicant must not have been a recipient of the CSAP Graduate Scholarships in Environmental Sciences and Engineering in the past.

## Application Requirements

An application for a scholarship will be considered if it meets the following requirements:

1. A completed application form.
2. Two letters of reference. One reference must be from the applicant's supervising academic professor and the second from a professional reference who is not related to the applicant who can verify the applicant's involvement in professional or community activities. Each reference letter must be submitted by the reference directly to the CSAP Society before the application deadline.
3. Official copies of the applicant's academic transcripts and/or academic achievements (e.g., other scholarships).

Applicants must complete the PDF forms available at the [CSAP website](#). Completed applications can be sent to the CSAP Society by:

- Email: [info@csapsociety.bc.ca](mailto:info@csapsociety.bc.ca)
- Mail: Attn: CSAP Scholarships  
613 - 744 West Hastings Street  
Vancouver, BC V6C 1A5

The application form with all supporting documents must be received by **March 31, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. PT**. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered or accepted.

CSAP Society will not return or destroy any of the documentation submitted. Each applicant should retain a copy of their application and documents for their records. CSAP Society is not responsible for lost applications.

## Selection Process and Notification

The applications will be reviewed by the scholarship selection panel comprising contaminated sites practitioners based on the following criteria:

1. Potential benefit of the applicant's academic project or thesis research to the process of understanding and managing contaminated sites. Ideally, this will also demonstrate your awareness of and/or involvement in contaminated sites work.
2. Other considerations such as references and academic achievements, as well as other achievements or awards demonstrating leadership, community involvement, and emerging

research area, etc.

3. For the Mike Macfarlane Memorial Scholarship, an additional consideration is the extent of innovation, relevance, and forward-thinking demonstrated by the applicant.

Once applications have been reviewed by the scholarship selection panel, considerations about balance across topic areas, degree types, etc. may be brought into the decision process; however, all applicants first will be evaluated on their own merits.

Scholarship recipients are selected by May 29, 2026. All applicants will be provided written notification whether selected or not. All correspondence relating to scholarship application will be sent via email to the email address included on the application.

Scholarship funds will be advanced contingent upon proof of graduate program registration and upon the award recipient providing their social insurance number ("SIN"). The SIN of each award recipient is required for income tax purposes. A recipient's failure to provide proof of their graduate program registration and their SIN within two weeks after notification of award of scholarship may result in the loss of the scholarship.

### **Expectations of Scholarship Recipients**

Scholarship recipients are expected to attend part of the CSAP Society's Spring Professional Development Workshop in June 2026 to receive their award. Over the course of the research, they may be invited to other public CSAP Society events to liaise with its members.

### **Terms and Conditions**

- 1) The CSAP Society reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify, amend, or cancel the scholarship program at any time without notice.
- 2) The CSAP Society retains full discretion to decide all questions regarding the awarding of scholarships and the administration of the terms and conditions of the scholarships.
- 3) Applicants must meet all the eligibility criteria. CSAP Society reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to determine whether an applicant meets the eligibility criteria.
- 4) By applying for a scholarship, the applicant:
  - a) agrees that they will have no claim against the CSAP Society on the basis of the failure to grant a scholarship, or the modification or revocation of a scholarship;
  - b) authorizes the CSAP Society and its employees, and those of its affiliates, the Technical Review Committee, and the scholarship selection panel and their respective employees to collect, use, and retain the applicant's personal information, including references, as provided on and with the application for the purposes of evaluating the application and for administering, maintaining and promoting the scholarship program, and announcing the recipients;

- c) grants to CSAP Society the right to use the information provided in the application, including name, likeness, city and province of residence, university name and any direct quotes made by the applicant in respect to the scholarship program for publicity and promotional purposes relating to the scholarship, in any and all media now known or hereafter devised, without further compensation;
  - d) acknowledges that CSAP Society may disclose information provided within the application to third-party agents and service providers in connection with any of the activities listed above; and
  - e) Acknowledges that CSAP Society will use the information provided in the application only for the identified purposes, and protect the information provided in the application in a manner that is consistent with CSAP Society's Privacy Policy.
- 5) All decisions taken by the scholarship selection panel are final and there is no provision for appeal. The likelihood of receiving a scholarship may be dependent on the number of applications.
  - 6) A scholarship may be withdrawn or rescinded if the recipient has provided incorrect, false or misleading information or withheld relevant information in the scholarship application or after receiving a scholarship. CSAP Society will have the right to require the recipient to repay amounts up to the total value of the scholarship.
  - 7) The scholarship payment will be a one-time payment paid in a single sum in the form of a cheque.
  - 8) All recipients must inform themselves as to the tax consequences of receiving a scholarship.
  - 9) Scholarship funds will be advanced contingent upon proof of graduate program registration and upon the award recipient providing their social insurance number ("SIN"). The SIN of each award recipient is required for income tax purposes. Any recipient's failure to provide proof of their graduate program registration and their SIN within two (2) weeks after notification of award of scholarship may result in the loss of the scholarship.
  - 10) This scholarship may be held concurrently with other awards and financial support.

Applicants can contact the CSAP Society for more information or to verify receipt of their application prior to the deadline by:

- Email: [info@csapsociety.bc.ca](mailto:info@csapsociety.bc.ca)
- Phone: 604-451-4555