



## Saskatchewan Indigenous Mentorship Network Program Mentee Scholarship

### TERMS OF REFERENCE

**Purpose:**

To provide an award to an Indigenous graduate student pursuing research in Indigenous health such as: public health and epidemiology, community-based wellness and healing, cultural safety and humility, clinical research with a focus on Indigenous patient populations, Indigenous patient-oriented research, Indigenous traditional medicines and healing, chronic or infectious diseases, history of Indigenous peoples and disease/illness and healing, research with vulnerable populations within the Indigenous populations, social determinants of health, or colonization/decolonization and the health and wellbeing of Indigenous peoples.

**Source and Amount of Funding:**

Up to \$100,000 from the College of Graduate and Post-Doctoral Studies (a commitment of \$20,000 per year for a five-year period). If there are no eligible candidates in any given year, unspent monies will not carry over to the next academic year for additional awards.

The 2017-2018 academic year will be the first in the five-year period.

**Tenability:**

The award will remain in existence for a period of five years.

**Fund Committee:**

As designated by the Saskatchewan Indigenous Mentorship Network Program's (SK-IMNP) Advisory Committee at the Annual General Meeting. The membership of this committee will be appointed at the beginning of each academic year by the SK-IMNP Advisory Committee, in consultation with the dean, College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

**Fund Committee Mandate:**

- To determine eligibility and selection criteria for the adjudication of the award.
- To report as necessary to the College of Graduate and Post-Doctoral Studies, the SK-IMNP Advisory Committee, and CIHR's Institute of Aboriginal People's Health on the activity of the fund.

**Number, and value of Awards:**

One annual award of \$20,000.

**Equity:**

At the date of this agreement, Indigenous persons—those of North American Aboriginal ancestry including First Nations (e.g.: status and non-status Indians), Inuit and Métis—are considered a disadvantaged group requiring special action under programs established by the university to meet education equity goals, as is stated in the university's mission statement and as permitted under current human rights legislation. If in the future the university determines that the disadvantaged position is no longer present, either generally or in specific disciplines, it reserves the right to alter the term to ensure compliance with legislation and current public policy.

Should federal or provincial legislation place the university in the position where it could no longer adhere to one or more terms of this agreement, the university has the right to alter the term(s) to ensure compliance with the legislation and current public policy.

In the event that circumstances make the specified use or administration of this fund no longer practical or desirable, the College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies is hereby authorized to make changes in the use of these funds to maintain, as much as is reasonably possible, its spirit and general intent.

Unless otherwise stated in these terms, any awards funded from this trust will be subject to the University of Saskatchewan *Awards Policies* of University Council.

The College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies recommends the establishment of an award based upon the above Terms



Dr. Trevor Crowe

Interim Dean, College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies



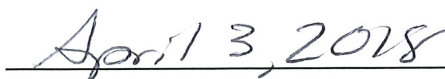
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Approved and accepted on behalf of the Board of Governors of the University of Saskatchewan.



Debra Pozega Osburn, Ph.D.

Vice President, University Relations



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