

2020 RSBO-NCOHR Student Research Awards (Vr 2: Revised Jan 10, 2020)

Applications are solicited for the RSBO-NCOHR Student Research Awards Competition in each of the categories listed below. These awards will be available for trainees outside Quebec to present their research at the RSBO (network for oral and bone research) annual research day in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, June 19-20, 2020. Award recipients will receive a Certificate of Achievement and CAD\$1,000 at the RSBO research day in Montreal. The award must be used towards the student's travel and/or conference expenses (travel, accommodation), and the student's supervisor is expected to confirm that (s)he will support any expenses over and above the amount of the award, if necessary.

The competition will support a total of 14 students from the seven dental schools in Canada located outside the province of Quebec. As such, the most highly ranked undergraduate and graduate students from each of the seven dental schools in Canada will be selected for the award.

Rules of the competition

Eligibility: Graduate and undergraduate students registered in a dental school and working in dental research (including research in dental hygiene, oral health, oral biology and craniofacial sciences) in Canada are eligible to apply. To be considered, the student's research may not be published or presented at any major scientific meeting prior to the deadline for submission of RSBO abstracts. Unlimited number of applications can be submitted in each category from the lab of a supervisor; however, if more than one application is submitted, only one student per category from the same lab can receive an award. All applicants and their lab's supervisors must be members of NCOHR at the time of submitting their abstracts to attend the RSBO meeting in Montreal. The applicants' supervisors will automatically become an associate member of the RSBO.

Categories: There are three categories in the RSBO-NCOHR Competition (Junior, Senior Basic Science and Senior Clinical/Pre-clinical Research). Applicants must indicate in which of these three categories they are eligible to compete at the time of submitting their applications.

Junior: Applicants must be currently enrolled in a D.D.S., D.M.D. or dental hygiene program. This competition will be limited to those candidates who have carried out their research as part of undergraduate or professional training (research undertaken as an undergraduate science student, as a dental student, or when pursuing an intercalated science degree while in training as a dental student). Individuals with formal research degree (Masters and/or PhD) are not eligible for this category.

Senior: Applicants must be enrolled in a post-dental, post-graduate, Masters, or PhD program or have performed the research submitted to the competition within three years of earning their PhD. Applicants for this category would have carried out research as part of a higher degree, either a Masters, Ph.D., or M.D. with previous laboratory experience, or as part of specialty training, and/or as part of a postdoctoral training. The Senior Category is divided into two sections: • Basic Science Research: involving laboratory or animal research. • Clinical/Pre-clinical Research: involving research on human subjects and/or epidemiologic studies.

Application Procedure

Applicants must compile the documentation listed below into a single PDF document and submit the application package electronically to Iona Worden-Driscoll at Iona.Worden-Driscoll@Dal.Ca

1. A completed application form (see attached).
2. A manuscript (5 pages; Double-spaced, Font 12pt, margins 2 cm) describing a research project that was completed by the student (it is understood that the work was done under the supervision of a faculty member). Title page, references and figures are not included in the 5-page limit.
3. An abstract in the format used by IADR. On the abstract, the student must be listed as first author and presenter. Co-authors should also be listed on the abstract and on the title page of the manuscript.
4. A letter from the supervisor verifying the submission as the student's work, clarifying the contribution of any co-authors and agreeing to provide additional travel expenses.
5. A letter from the Dean's or Faculty/School Office attesting to the student's status. This letter will be used to confirm the student's category in the competition.

Applications must be submitted no later than **Monday, February 17th, 2020**. No late applications will be accepted. All documentation must be included in a single PDF application file. Winners will be announced prior to the deadline for abstract submission to the Montreal meeting (May 4th, 2020).