

2026 USRA Eligibility Confirmation Form

Purpose: This form is to be completed by the student applicant to confirm they meet the minimum requirements set by NSERC/SSHRC/CIHR and the institution.

1. Applicant Information

Full Name

Student ID

Email Address

Current Department/Program

2. Mandatory Eligibility Criteria

Please check each box to confirm you meet the requirement.

Citizenship Status: I am a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or a Protected Person under subsection 95(2) of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (Canada) as of the application deadline.

Registration: I am currently registered in a bachelor's degree program at an eligible institution as of the application deadline.

Academic Standing: I have obtained a cumulative average of at least a **"B" (3.0 GPA at TMU)** over my previous years of study.

Degree Status: I have completed at least the first year of university study (two academic terms) and have not completed all my degree requirements by the application deadline.

I am not currently enrolled in an undergraduate professional degree program in the health sciences (e.g., MD, DDS, BScN) (**does not apply for CIHR USRAs**)

Graduate Studies: I am not currently registered nor have I been previously registered, at any time, in a graduate program (Master's or PhD) in the same field of study.

Award Limits: Including this award (if successful), I have not held more than three (3) USRAs (regardless of the Agency) throughout my undergraduate career.

3. Program Type and Self-Identification (Optional)

NSERC provides supplementary allocations for specific groups. Please indicate if you wish to be considered for these streams:

Award Stream:

NSERC (General)	
Indigenous Student Researcher (NSERC only)	
Black Student Researcher (NSERC)	
Black Student Researcher (CIHR)	
Black Student Researcher (SSHRC)	

4. Terms of Award

- Full-Time Commitment: I agree to work full-time (14 to 16 consecutive weeks) on the research project.
- Course Load: I understand I may take a maximum of two half-courses during the tenure of the award, provided my supervisor agrees.
- No Credit: I understand that I cannot receive academic credit (e.g., for a thesis or independent study course) for the work performed during the USRA term.

5. Applicant Signature

I certify that the information provided above is accurate. I understand that misrepresentation of my eligibility status may result in the withdrawal of my application or forfeiture of the award.

Signature

Date