2018 International Esri Young Scholars Award

Esri Canada is pleased to announce the 2018 International Esri Young Scholars Award program. The award is available to any candidate studying GIS at a Canadian university or college subject to the terms and conditions listed below.

- Applicants need to have used Esri technology to complete a project or conduct interesting research.
- Applicants must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate or graduate program at a college or university in Canada or have graduated within the last year.
- The successful candidate’s poster (see below under What to Submit) will be submitted to Esri for display at the User Conference in San Diego. All submissions must fully comply with U.S. Export laws and all other applicable laws.
- The successful candidate will be responsible for obtaining the necessary visas for their visit (if applicable).

Highlights of the Young Scholar program include:

- Airfare and living expenses (accommodations and per diem) for you to attend the annual Esri Education GIS Conference (July 7-10, 2018) and International Esri User Conference (UC, July 9-13, 2018) in San Diego, California.
- Complimentary registration for both conferences.
- Attending social events to meet other international Young Scholars.
- Displaying and presenting your work and interacting with other Young Scholar recipients at the UC Map Gallery Opening and Reception.
- Attending the Special Achievement in GIS (SAG) Award Ceremony to receive formal recognition for your award.
- Participating in the Facebook group for international Young Scholars.

Selection criteria

Submissions to Esri Canada will be reviewed within 3 weeks by a panel comprising academic and business members. Submissions will be judged based on content as well as poster design and presentation and paper organization and clarity.

What to submit

If you meet the terms and conditions and you would like to be considered for the award, you must submit the following no later than 5.00 pm Eastern Time Thursday, March 29, 2018:

- A poster that highlights the objectives, methods and results of your use of Esri technology and meets the following requirements. Additional guidelines for the poster are available at scholars.esri.ca.
  - Posters must be created only by the applicant (i.e. no group work).
  - Posters must be submitted in portable document format (PDF).
For quality printing, all maps and graphics must be high resolution, minimum 300 dpi.

- Orientation should be portrait for the display boards in San Diego and dimensions 24” x 36”.
- If you are a winner of a 2018 Esri Canada GIS Scholarship, you may use the same map poster that you submitted for the Esri Canada GIS Scholarship Program provided it complies with all stated requirements.

- A summary paper that explains your work. Additional guidelines for the paper are available at [scholars.esri.ca](http://scholars.esri.ca).
  - Papers should be between 800-1000 words.
  - Include maps and additional diagrams as and where appropriate to explain your research.

- A personal statement describing your experience with GIS and why you want to attend the Esri UC.
  - Statement should not be longer than 1 page, 12 pt font.

- An academic transcript. (Official transcripts are not required, however the transcript must show cumulative average or an equivalent indication of standing.)

- Full contact information. (Title, first and last name, email address, phone number, and mailing address.)

- Institution name and program of study.

Applications are to be submitted via the form available at [scholars.esri.ca](http://scholars.esri.ca).

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact us at [highered@esri.ca](mailto:highered@esri.ca).

We look forward to receiving your submission.

Best regards,

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