

FACULTY OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

SOCIAL INNOVATION AWARD

The **Faculty of Community Services Social Innovation Award** was established to support students that think boldly and act courageously who have a strong interest in working towards addressing a social issue.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION DEADLINES

September 30, 2015	Application forms and guidelines available to the Ryerson community.
October 23, 2015 at 4PM	Application deadline to the Faculty of Community Services.
Week of October 23, 2015	The Faculty of Community Services will review applications for eligibility and completeness.
Week of October 26 & November 2, 2015	The Faculty of Community Services Student Awards Committee will receive eligible applications for review and selection.
November 9, 2015	The Faculty of Community Services Dean's Office will notify the successful applicant and announce the recipient(s).
November 24, 2015	Award will be presented at the Faculty of Community Services Student Achievement and Awards Celebration.

VALUE

- \$1,000 to be used to further a student-driven social innovation activity
- Coaching with the John C. Eaton Chair in Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Networking links to related community organizations

ELIGIBILITY

The **Faculty of Community Services Social Innovation Award** is available for students enrolled in a Faculty of Community Services undergraduate program.

To be eligible students must:

- Be enrolled in a full-time or part-time undergraduate program within the Faculty of Community Services at the time of application and for the duration of the project.
- Be in clear academic standing.
- Receive approval and a commitment of mentorship or partnership by a faculty mentor.

Please note:

- Project must take place during the first two terms following the semester of application (i.e. the funding period for this grant is the Fall 2015 term to the end of Winter 2016).
- Applicants may be engaged in collaboration with other students in the project, however, the group will be required to designate the applicant as a team leader.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Students must:

- Be able to demonstrate a strong interest in working creatively towards a solution to a social issue that relates to the social sphere of their studies in the Faculty of Community Services.
- Have a tangible idea for a social innovation that they would like to explore further or advance an existing activity.
- Be able to identify one or more collaborative relationships in the community.
- Demonstrate how the project will contribute to the student's academic and professional development within their field of study.
- Present a budget plan for how the award funds would be used to support this activity.

APPLICATION / NOMINATION INFORMATION

- Students may be nominated or apply directly for this award.
- All forms must be on single-sided pages only and completed in full, including all required signatures.

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APPLICATION / NOMINATION INFORMATION (CONT'D)

A completed application must include:

- A 750 word statement that demonstrates how the project will meet the criteria and includes a description of the activity, an explanation of its innovative potential and their plans for dissemination.
- A detailed projected budget and timeline. Eligible expenses can include, but are not limited to, project costs, travel, training that supports project development, mentoring, organizational set up costs, or equipment. More details can be found on the following pages.
- Signed Ryerson University Photography/Film Consent form.

October 23, 2015 at 4:00PM is the submission deadline to the Faculty of Community Services Dean's Office, 99 Gerrard Street East, SHE-697 or by email to afinney@ryerson.ca.

SELECTION

The Faculty of Community Services Student Awards Committee will be advised by a sub-committee for this award that includes the John C. Eaton Chair and two faculty members interested in social innovation, at least one of whom is on the current Student Awards Selection Committee. The sub-committee will evaluate the applications together with all supporting documentation and recommend the award recipient for approval to the Student Awards Committee, who will make the final selection.

AWARD PRESENTATION

The award will be formally presented at the Faculty of Community Services Student Achievement Celebration and Awards Presentation on November 24, 2015 and the recipient will be required to present their idea at the following year's achievement celebration to report on their project.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact: Alison Finney, Community Relations Officer, Faculty of Community Services
Email: afinney@ryerson.ca | Phone: 416-979-5000, Ext. 7878

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STUDENT DETAILS

Is this a nomination? OR A student self-application?

Name of Student: _____ Student Number: _____

Name as it should appear on award materials: _____

Project Title: _____

Brief Description of Project: _____

Student's Current Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Ryerson E-mail: _____

Program: _____ Year: _____ Courses Completed: _____ CGPA: _____

STUDENT'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND COMMITMENT

Upon receiving funds from the Faculty of Community Services, I acknowledge that:

- I must report on the project on a regular basis with the Community Relations Officer, including progress related to the stated project objectives/outcomes, budget expense update and plans for the coming month.
- I will participate in the Faculty of Community Services Student Achievement Celebration scheduled in Fall 2016.
- All funds will be used for the purpose of this proposal.

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

FACULTY MENTOR AND SUPPORT LETTER INFORMATION

I acknowledge that the above student is in good standing and give my approval to this project. **I also commit to serving as the applicant's mentor for the duration of the project.**

Name of Faculty Member: _____ Program: _____

Ryerson Phone: _____ Ryerson E-mail: _____

Signature of Faculty Member: _____ Date: _____

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RYERSON UNIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHY / FILM CONSENT FORM

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I agree that all of my Photographs shall constitute the property of Ryerson University and I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the use of my photograph and my name or of any written copy. I release and forever discharge Ryerson University, its Board of Governors, agents, officers and employees from any and all claims and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of my Photographs. I waive any and all copyrights, intellectual property rights, privacy rights, moral rights and any other rights that I have in my Photographs. I acknowledge that I am not entitled to and shall not seek any compensation fees or royalties of any kind, arising in any way from my consent to the taking of my Photographs, irrespective of whether my Photographs are used or not, and that nothing contained herein shall entitle me to have any of my Photographs.

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Print name: _____ Date: _____

Ryerson e-mail: _____ Phone number: _____

Signature of Witness: _____

Print name: _____ Date: _____

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