

**GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE**

Report to Academic Council
at its meeting of January 17th, 2017

FOR INFORMATION

The following items for information were approved by the Graduate Studies Committee:

1. Updated Canada Graduate Scholarships - CGS-M internal guidelines

The Tri-Agency provides guidelines to universities for the administration of the Canada Graduate Scholarships. Included in these guidelines are annual quotas for each university. The CGS-M guidelines were updated to reflect the new university quotas of CGS Master's to be held at the university, of 1 CIHR, 2 SSHRC and 4 NSERC.

2. SSHRC Doctoral internal guidelines

This year the university received a SSHRC doctoral quota of 3 nominees. The Office of Graduate Studies developed a new set of internal guidelines modelled after the other competition guidelines which has proven to be a successful model in scholarship selection. The internal guidelines serve to provide information and clarification around the specific requirements of the SSHRC doctoral program and direction to Faculty and University Selection Committees.

3. Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) internal guidelines

Each year, the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development provides the university with the OGS and QEII-GSST revised guidelines for the next scholarship year. In response, the Office of Graduate Studies makes requisite revisions to the university's OGS Internal Guidelines that are used to administer the scholarships. Key changes this year include: changes to the ways in which GPAs are calculated and a provision for allocation of up to 2 OGS scholarships towards eligible Indigenous students.