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| DEADLINE  (for Department of Political Science, U of T) | * January 31, 2014 if applying through the Department of Political Science at U of T (please note:  deadlines vary by program and institution so if you are applying for OGS for other programs check with the program you are applying to for relevant dates) |
| ELIGIBILITY | * Be a Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident, or Protected Person. Foreign students who are studying in Ontario under a temporary resident visa (student study permit) are eligible for a set number of OGS awards. * Be registered or intend to register in an eligible program on a full time basis. * At minimum, meet the following OGS academic requirements of an A- (80%) average: If entering the first or second year of graduate studies at the time of application the student must have an overall average of at least A-, or the equivalent, on the last 20 one-term/semester courses, or the equivalent, completed; If the student is entering the third year of graduate studies at the time of application the student must have an overall average of at least A-, or the equivalent, on all graduate courses completed. * If master's or doctoral degree marks used for calculating an applicant's grade point average (GPA) are not available (for example, courses were graded on a pass-fail basis), then the university will use the most recently available undergraduate or graduate marks to calculate a student's GPA. * Be in good standing with the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP). Applicants who have defaulted on a Canada or Ontario Student Loan, or have failed to make satisfactory repayment on a loan overpayment, are ineligible. Students who have never applied for OSAP are in good standing. * (NEW) Not to exceed 6 years of government awards (e.g. OGS,   SSHRC) – (in the past the limit was 4 years) * (NEW) Students are now eligible to apply in any year of the PhD program – even beyond the funded co-hort (in the past students were not eligible to hold OGS after year 5) * (NEW) Can hold OGS along with large, non-government, external scholarship in excess of $10,000 |
| APPLICATION FORM | * Online application form is accessible through link below (please review detailed instructions via the OGS Info Guide link – also below) |
| SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (upload to online application) | * Plan of study (approx. 500 words) * Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions (unofficial or student issued copies are permitted) * List of previous awards/publications/conferences/research experience |
| REFERENCE LETTERS | * Two academic assessment forms (applicant will indicate email contact info when applying online and when application is submitted, referees will be invited to submit assessments electronically) |
| Who applies through our Graduate Office | * Applicants who are current/continuing graduate students and applicants who will be applying for admission to either our MA or PhD program next fall |
| Who does not apply  through our Graduate Office | * Any applicant who is not a continuing student or applicant to our graduate program * Current BA and MA students applying to graduate programs other than ours and who would like to be considered for OGS must apply for the award through each graduate program they interested in being considered for.  For instructions and deadlines, check directly with the graduate program you are applying to |
| All International students (both current/continuing and those anticipating admission) | * There will be a separate competition through SGS for international students * The deadline hasn’t yet been announced but we anticipate it will be sometime in January 2013 * International applicants will follow the same application procedures as noted above |
| Link to  application | * [OGS Online Application](https://secure.sgs.utoronto.ca/ogs/pages/ogs-applicantwp.aspx) * [OGS Info Guide](http://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/currentstudents/Pages/OGS-Application-Guide.aspx) |
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