



SGS Award Announcement

To: Graduate Coordinators; Graduate Administrators
From: Tara Lock, Graduate Awards Officer
CC: Joshua Barker, Dean, School of Graduate Studies and Vice-Provost, Graduate Research and Education; John Peever, Vice-Dean, Students; Laura Stathopoulos, Director, Graduate Awards and Financial Aid
Date: October 8, 2024
Re: **2025-26 Delta Kappa Gamma World Fellowships**

Please distribute this announcement to your unit's international (non-U.S.) women graduate students. This announcement is for internal purposes only and should not be posted on websites external to the University.

Award Overview

Student Deadline to SGS:	December 2, 2024 (no later than 4:30 PM)
Value/Duration:	\$4,000 USD for one year
Level of Study:	Master's or Doctoral
Required Legal Status:	International (Citizens and permanent residents of Canada and the United States are ineligible)
Results:	June 2025

Purpose

The mission of the [Delta Kappa Gamma Society International](#) is to promote the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. The World Fellowship Fund was established to provide opportunities for international women to pursue graduate studies in Canada and the United States.

Eligibility to Apply

Applicants must:

- Be currently registered full-time in a master's or doctoral program at the University of Toronto;
- Identify as a woman student;
- Have a valid [study permit](#) (Citizens and permanent residents of Canada or the United States are ineligible);
- Not be completing their degree requirements in 2025. Award holders must be registered full-time in their program throughout the 2025-26 academic year in order to receive and retain the funds; and
- Not currently be a member of [Delta Kappa Gamma Society International](#).

Preference is given to candidates who plan to return to and create an impact within their home countries.

Application Process

In order to submit the required materials, applicants must complete an [online submission form](#) by **4:30pm on Monday, December 2, 2024**.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their referees email the completed DKG Letter of Reference Form directly to graduate.awards@utoronto.ca by **Monday, November 25, 2024** (1 week earlier than the applicants' submission deadline).

Incomplete applications or late materials will not be considered.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the [SGS website](#) for further details on eligibility, application instructions and requirements.

Application Package

Applicants must retain all of their hardcopy application materials (including transcripts) until June, as the originals may be requested by the DKG Toronto World Fellowships Committee or the DKG International World Fellowships Committee.

Each applicant must upload to the [online submission form](#) each of the following components as a PDF file using the file naming convention "APPLICANT LAST NAME, first initial - DKG2025-component name". E.g., Student, S – DKG2025-studypermit:

1. [PDF application form](#) (9 pages, including signature page);
2. [Status of Degree Work](#) page, which must be completed by the U of T graduate unit;
3. Copy of a valid [study permit](#);
4. Scans of original or certified/validated copies of up-to-date official transcripts from all previous post-secondary studies;
5. University of Toronto official e-transcript showing all grades obtained to date;
6. A professional resume or curriculum vitae (500 word maximum, size 12 font) may be included, but is not required.

Please review the Application Requirements section on the [SGS website](#) for further details on eligibility, application instructions and requirements.

References

[DKG Letter of Reference Forms](#) must be kept confidential from applicants and cannot be uploaded to the applicants' online submission form.

Applicants are responsible for sending the [DKG Letter of Reference Form](#) to each of their three (3) referees and ensuring that their referees email the completed form directly to graduate.awards@utoronto.ca with the subject title "DKG 2025 APPLICANT LAST NAME, first initial – Referee Last Name" by **Monday, November 25, 2024** (which is 1 week earlier than the applicants' submission deadline).

The referees may also attach a letter, but only the [DKG Letter of Reference Form](#) is required.

Status of Degree Work page

The [Status of Degree Work](#) page (page 10 within the [PDF application form](#)) must be completed by each applicant's U of T graduate unit and included within the application package above. Applicants must ask their [Graduate Administrator](#) to complete this page **well in advance** of the applicants' submission deadline, so that the applicant can include the completed page within their application package.

Transcripts

The DKG Society International requires official transcripts covering the entire period of study at universities and other post-secondary institutions. In exceptional cases when it is not possible for the applicant to obtain an official

international transcript by the applicants' submission deadline, a certified/validated scan of an up-to-date unofficial transcript can be accepted, provided that the institution's grading legend is included and the student's and institution's names are visible.

Official e-transcripts may require any encryption to be removed before combining with any files. Applicants may use freely available software such as their internet browser (e.g., Chrome) or Adobe Acrobat to "print to PDF" in order to create an unencrypted "copy" of the file.

Results

All complete and eligible applications from the University of Toronto are reviewed by the DKG Toronto World Fellowships Committee, which selects the top ten (10) applications. SGS' Graduate Awards Office will notify all applicants via their U of T email address of the university's competition results in late-February.

The top ten (10) Toronto applications are forwarded to the DKG International World Fellowships Committee for final adjudication against the top applicants from all participating universities across Canada and the United States. The total number of Canadian awardees varies from year to year. The final results are communicated to applicants in June.

Contacts & Resources

For more information, visit the [SGS website](#).

Please direct questions regarding this competition to:

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