

Student Scientific Outreach Scholarships Rules

1. Program Objectives

The objective of the CentrEau Student Science Outreach Scholarships Program is to support the presentation of oral communications by student members at scientific events held outside their city of study. This will allow students to get experience with presentation of research results and will promote CentrEau at conferences.

2. Financing

CentrEau will reimburse expenses for participation in an activity with a scholarship of up to \$ 300 for conferences taking place in Quebec or online, and up to \$ 900 for conferences outside Québec. Here are the eligible fees:

- Registration fees for the conference;
- Accommodation and travel expenses according to the FRQ General Common Rules ([chapter 8.5 travel and accommodation expenses](#)) and those specific to the host institution;
- Not covered: meal expenses.

The scholarship will be adjusted according to the expenses actually incurred by the student.

3. Eligibility Conditions

The activity can be a conference, congress, seminar, training, workshop, etc.

Activities taking place in the city where the student studies are not eligible (except for online activities). Activities organized by CentrEau are not eligible either.

To be eligible for a CentrEau Student Science Outreach Scholarship, students must:

- Present an oral communication related to the research program of CentrEau (if the conference organizing committee has not yet taken a decision, the acceptance to the scholarship program will be conditional on the acceptance of the proposal). Poster sessions are only eligible in specific cases – the student's (co)supervisor will have to provide a justification.
- Be a student member of CentrEau (as specified in the [statutes](#));
- Have the approbation of their research supervisor;
- Work on an interdisciplinary research project;
- Provide a short cover letter highlighting the relevance of the event to the student's research. to the student's research.
- Provide transcripts of grades

In exchange for financial assistance from the Student Outreach Program, students agree to:

- Identify themselves (affiliation) to *CentrEau – Quebec Water Management Research Center* and provide proof;
- Thank CentrEau and use its logo during their presentation;

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- Provide their photo for CentrEau's website;
- Provide the PDF presentation (if possible) for CentrEau's website;
- Present a poster or a conference at the annual Journée québécoise des étudiants CentrEau.

4. Selection Criteria

The Scientific Committee will select, from the applications that meet the selection criteria, the students who will benefit from the scholarships.

The Committee will pay particular attention to:

- The diversity of research axes, institutions and levels of study;
- The diversity, equity and inclusion of students.

And will give priority to projects:

- Involving several universities;
- Co-supervised by members of CentrEau.

5. Application

Students can submit their scholarship application at any time by completing the online scholarship application form and by providing the required proofs. Students can only apply once per fiscal year (April 1 to March 31).

The Scientific Committee will review applications (the Committee meets three times a year. Candidates will receive a response by email as soon as possible. It is the student's responsibility to submit his/her application as soon as possible before any travel.

6. Scholarship Payment

Students will produce a travel expense report with supporting documents and send it to info@centreau.org no later than sixty (60) days after the activity.

All eligibility requirements must be met for the scholarship to be paid. CentrEau will issue a scholarship of an amount equivalent to the expenses incurred (up to the maximum provided for in point 2. Scholarships are granted twice a year.

7. Modification or cancellation of the application

Any person who has submitted an application must inform the Scientific Committee in writing of the abandonment, cancellation or modification of its original application before the conference is held. In case of a cancellation, the costs incurred, if any, are not reimbursed.