**ACT Student Bursaries: Information**
**Due date: February 1, 2019**

The **ACT Student Bursaries** are awarded to students enrolled in master’s or doctoral programs in ACT partner universities, and who are conducting research on the intersections of ageing, communication and technologies as part of their thesis project. ACT will award up to four competitive bursaries per year; two for doctoral students ($2,000 CAD each) and two for master’s students ($1,000 CAD each).

All applications must be submitted to application@actproject.ca by the required due date of February 1, 2019.

**Eligibility**

* The student must be registered in a doctoral or master’s program in an ACT partner university\*.
* The student’s candidacy must be supported by an ACT co-applicant or collaborator\*\*, who is affiliated with the student’s home university/ACT partner university and able to administer ACT funds to the student. However, the student does not necessarily need to be directly supervised by the supporting ACT co-applicant or collaborator.
* The student must be registered in a program with a required thesis component.
* The student’s thesis must fit directly within the mandate of ACT.
* The student’s thesis proposal must have been approved or defended prior to applying to this bursary.
* Each student is only admissible for one ACT bursary per degree, and must not have received significant bursaries, scholarships, fellowships or stipends from ACT in the past (e.g., scholarship or project funding).
* The student must not plan to have completed their thesis within six months following the bursary application deadline.

**Submission**

To apply, candidates must submit a single email with two attachments: the completed “ACT Bursary for Students Form,” which can be found at the end of this document, and a Curriculum Vitae that provides an overview of the student’s accomplishments and research record. In addition, the supporting ACT co-applicant or collaborator must send an email with two attachments: the completed “ACT Bursary for Students Support Form” and a letter of recommendation. If the supporting ACT co-applicant or collaborator is not the student’s thesis supervisor, then the student’s thesis supervisor can provide the letter of recommendation instead.

All documents must be emailed to application@actproject.ca for the appropriate due date. No late applications will be considered.

**Obligations**

**Students:** Successful applicants must commit to fulfilling a number of requirements. The student will be asked to work with the ACT team to share information on the project for reporting and communication purposes. This includes providing the necessary information to set up a project page on the ACT website, a biography and photo, and other information, as requested. The student must write an *In Focus* piece for the ACT website over the 12 months that follow the announcement of their award. Furthermore, the student will be required to acknowledge the support of ACT and its funder, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), in research outputs, including conference papers, workshops and poster presentations, publications, the final production of their thesis and any creative or media products of their research.

**Supporting co-applicants and collaborators:** By supporting an application, the co-applicant or collaborator must be able to recommend to ACT that the student should be funded. The sponsoring co-applicant or collaborator must also be willing and able to facilitate the payment of the bursary by their institution using ACT funds; as such, they must be able to receive the funds from ACT via an institutional transfer.

**ACT Student Bursaries: Application Form**

**Please save this form as a Word document or in a comparable format and email to** application@actproject.ca

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| Name of student: |  |
| University: |  |
| Department: |  |
| Academic level and year in progress:  |  |
| Name or research supervisor or co-supervisors:  |  |
| Name of supporting ACT researcher:(*This must be an ACT co-applicant or collaborator*) |  |
| Title of thesis project |  |
| **Provide a description of your thesis project. *400 to 500 words.*** |
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| **How is your research situated within ACT’s mandate? To which area(s) is it most connected? If more than one area is identified, also identify the one that is *most* *relevant*. *Approximately 300 words*.**The three areas are: 1. Agency in Ageing: Collaborative Creativity and the Digital Arts in Later Life, which encompasses a program of research that involves individuals and communities in the development of participatory action research projects that have both scholarly and creative outcomes.
2. Critical Mediations: Everyday Life and Cultures of Ageing, which examines the everyday life practices and the variegated mediated experiences of adults in later life.
3. Telecommunication Technologies: Ageing in Networked Societies, which investigates ageing in the context of networked societies.

More information at http://actproject.ca/mandate/ |
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| **Provide a timeline for the project, including the date when the proposal was approved or defended. Include expected date of completion.**  |
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| Does this project involve research with human subjects? If so, please provide in with this application documented proof or a certificate of ethical approval that the project has been approved by the Research Ethics Board or its equivalent at your university. Alternatively, provide the date when ethical approval is expected. Bursary funding cannot be released without ethics approval, even if ACT approves this bursary application. |  |
| Is this project or thesis currently funded or has been previously funded?If so, please list funding sources, amounts and dates. Please include funding that has been given by ACT as well as all other sources. |
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**ACT Student Bursaries: Support Form**

**Please email this form to** application@actproject.ca**, along with a confidential letter of reference.**

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| **Student Information**Name: Level (MA, PhD):Year in progress:University: |
| **Sponsoring ACT Co-Applicant or Collaborator Information**Name:Role in ACT (Co-applicant, collaborator):University:ACT partner institution (may be the same as university): |
| **Sponsoring ACT Co-Applicant or Collaborator’s Signature** \*All boxes need to be checked or otherwise marked for the application to be considered. Please sign by typing your name or include a digital signature* I have read and I understand the guidelines pertaining to the ACT bursaries (document titled “ACT Student Bursaries”
* I have read the student’s application form (document titled “ACT Project Funding Application Form”
* Should the student’s application be successful, I will work with the ACT team to facilitate a transfer of funds to my institution, and then will use these funds to provide a bursary to the student.
* I support the student’s application and recommend that ACT fund it.

Date:Signature: |