

BRIC NS Student Research Award - Application Cycle 2025

The BRIC NS Student Research Award is intended to provide financial support for the completion of a research project that meets the priorities of Building Research for Integrated Primary Care in Nova Scotia (BRIC NS), Nova Scotia's SPOR Network in the Canadian Primary Care Research Network. The aim is to encourage future health researchers to consider **primary care research** as part of their career path.

Funding Details

The BRIC NS Student Research Award is offered annually to a minimum of two eligible recipients. In addition to receiving this prestigious recognition, BRIC NS will contribute an award of **\$1,500 (non-renewable)** to assist the recipient in furthering their research. Award recipients will be required to present their **primary care research project** at a BRIC NS event within 12 months of receiving the award.

Eligibility

To be considered for this award, applicants must:

- Be a member of BRIC NS ([free to join](http://www.bricns.ca/join), for more information: www.bricns.ca/join)
- Be a Master's Student, Doctoral Student, or Medical Resident within a Nova Scotian institution.
- Be engaged in **primary care research** in BRIC NS's priority areas (Listed on the BRIC NS website).

Application Requirements

A completed application package must be **submitted via e-mail to bricns@dal.ca**. Applications will be accepted from **March 7, 2025 (12:01am AST) until May 1st, 2025 (11:59pm ADT)**. Please use the subject heading **BRIC NS Student Research Award** for application submissions.

Applications must include the following:

- ☐ Completed Application Form
- ☐ A description of the research project, up to a maximum of three pages in length. References will not be counted toward this page limit. No less than 0.5" margins and 11pt. Times New Roman or Calibri font may be used.
- ☐ Descriptions **must** include the below categories
 - Background
 - Objectives
 - Methodology/Methods
 - Anticipated Results and Impact of the Research
 - Relevance to the goals and research priorities of BRIC NS
 - The relationship of your project to primary care

- Patient engagement plan
- Knowledge translation plan
- ☐ **CV** (Note that a Canadian Common CCV is not required, but would be acceptable)
- ☐ Copy of **all academic transcripts** (Unofficial transcripts will be accepted. Official transcripts may be requested upon receiving the award).
- ☐ A **letter of reference** from the applicant's supervisor or other academic reference to be submitted separately to BRIC NS by the referee. This letter should comment on the applicant's research ability, communication skills, critical thinking, professionalism, and other relevant attributes.

Assessment Criteria

Applications are assessed by the BRIC NS Student Research Award Review Committee using the following criteria and marking rubric:

- Addresses Primary Care Research Priorities (Yes or No)
- Relevance and potential impact of the primary care research project to BRIC NS's goals and research priorities (20%)
- Quality and feasibility of the proposed primary care research project (20%)
- The relationship of the work to primary care (15%)
- Quality and feasibility of the patient engagement plan (15%)
- Quality and feasibility of the knowledge translation plan (15%)
- Quality, relevance and potential impact of academic abilities, training and past experiences (15%)

Questions about the award, please contact: bricns@dal.ca