



The Canadian Rheumatology Ultrasound Society (CRUS) 2017 Research Scholarship

The mission of the Canadian Rheumatology Ultrasound Society (CRUS) is to promote the use of musculoskeletal ultrasound by Canadian rheumatologists.

It is our aim to foster research in the area of musculoskeletal ultrasound in order to provide an evidence based framework for the clinical use of this technology. There is limited research in the field of musculoskeletal ultrasound in Canada. Limited accessibility to ultrasound and the lack of mentorship are some of the barriers preventing young rheumatologists from engaging in research in the field. To address these barriers, CRUS is offering a research scholarship designed to promote research projects using musculoskeletal ultrasound among rheumatologists in early stages of their career.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Canadian rheumatology residents, research fellows or rheumatologists within 5 years of the completion of their residency can submit applications for this scholarship. Preference will be given to applicants who are currently enrolled in or have completed the CRUS basic ultrasound course. The applicants are encouraged to identify a mentor and a research project. The research project must be relevant to the use of musculoskeletal ultrasound for the management of rheumatic conditions. A list of suggested mentors can be found [here](#).

Scholarship Amount:

\$10,000 for a 10-week research term, performed consecutively over an elective research term or intermittently over the course of one academic year.

Application Deadline:

All applications must be submitted online by October 30, 2017 at 5:00 PM ET.

For questions regarding the award or the submission process, contact Ms. Alyssa Long at along@crus-surc.ca.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Applicants must be adult or pediatric rheumatology residents, research fellows in rheumatology or rheumatologists within 5 years of the completion of their training.
- Priority is given to applicants who are currently enrolled in or have completed the CRUS basic ultrasound training course.
- The mentor must be a member in good standing of CRUS and have a record of research in the field of musculoskeletal ultrasound.
- Mentors are responsible for approving the research plan.
- Research area must be relevant to the use of ultrasound for the diagnosis or management of rheumatic conditions.

REVIEW CRITERIA

Adjudication is by a selection committee and will be competitive. Each application will be reviewed on the following criteria:

- Scientific merit and relevance to musculoskeletal ultrasound research
- Mentor's credentials as related to the project and experience in musculoskeletal ultrasound and research
- Quality of the mentorship environment provided by the mentor
- Appropriateness and feasibility of the awardee's role in the project