



## Frequently asked questions – QES 2025

### Key dates and figures

**What is the deadline for the request for proposals?**

The submission deadline is June 7, 2024, at 5:00 pm eastern.

**What is the duration of the program?**

Members of Universities Canada or Colleges and Institutes Canada are invited to submit multi-year project proposals seeking funding of up to \$300,000 CAD.

Project activities will commence as early as January 1, 2025, subject to the signing of a Contribution Agreement between Rideau Hall Foundation and the successful Canadian postsecondary institution.

All project activities must be completed by December 31, 2028, and final reports must be submitted by February 28, 2029.

**What is the proposed start date for student activities?**

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experiences are often referred to as experiential learning or work-integrated learning. Internships may be paid or voluntary positions.

Canadian postsecondary institutions may permit students to work in the private/commercial sector (**but limited to small and medium-sized enterprises**) if the internship is well justified and contributes to the objectives of the proposal and the QES program. Institutions must ensure that interns comply with all relevant employment and immigration legislation in the host country.

**Please define “project” in the QES program.**

Canadian postsecondary institutions are to apply for funding for one or more of the following:

Study, research or internship for outbound Canadians.

Study or research for inbound



Inbound



can be entirely focused on outbound Canadian students, inbound international students or a combination of both.

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