

Law Commission of Canada Call for Applications LCC Emerging Scholars Program (September-December 2025)

July 2025

The Law Commission of Canada (LCC) is accepting applications to its Emerging Scholars Program for the Fall 2025 term.

Program Description

The Law Commission of Canada Emerging Scholars Program recognizes doctoral candidates as emerging scholars in law and law reform. The Program provides support over a four-month period (the duration of an academic semester) to doctoral candidates in law, law and society, or other related disciplines at a Canadian university.

As they continue work on their doctoral thesis, LCC Emerging Scholars will have an opportunity to make an innovative and meaningful contribution to the LCC. That contribution will take the form of community engagement in keeping with the LCC's mission and orientations. Examples include educational workshops, podcast episodes, community group roundtables, etc.

LCC Emerging Scholars receive \$10,000 CAD. The LCC aims to support two scholars per term.

Parameters and Process

Candidates for the LCC Emerging Scholars Program must be students enrolled in a doctoral program at a Canadian university, in the final writing stage of their thesis project.

Please submit your application, consisting of the following elements, for the LCC's consideration by August 11, 2025:

- Your curriculum vitae, indicating your current year and stage in your PhD program.
- 1,000-word (maximum) description of your doctoral thesis:
 - o Your research questions, methodology, theoretical framework, and anticipated impact on Canadian law and society; and
 - o Connections between your thesis and the work and approach of the LCC.





- 1,000-word (maximum) proposal for your community engagement contribution to the LCC:
 - A concept note that describes your vision, rationale, objectives, and an implementation plan.
- Names and contact information of two referees, including your doctoral supervisor.

Applications should be submitted to projects-projets@lcc-cdc.gc.ca. The LCC will aim to notify applicants of its decision within three weeks of the application deadline.

For additional information, please visit the LCC website.