

FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK (FSW) STUDENT PUBLICATION AWARDS

Terms of Reference

(Revised September 2022, draft)

In alignment with [FSW's Strategic Plan \(2022-2027\)](#), the FSW Publication Awards promote and contribute to the following key priorities: *Impactful Research and Collaboration, Innovation, Equity, Racial Justice, Decolonization, and Inclusive Excellence, Student Experience, Learning, and Success, and A Healthy and Inspiring Workplace*. Applicants are expected to demonstrate how their publication aligns with two or (preferably) more of these priorities.

1. Goals

- To support the priorities of FSW's Strategic Plan (2022-2027), with a focus on Impactful Research and Collaboration, and Student Experience, Learning and Success, and to action our values of respect, collaboration, equity, and integrity in the mentorship opportunities, support, mutual learning, and engagement demonstrated through peer-reviewed publications.
- To foster FSW students' research development by supporting the publication of their innovative, impactful and collaborative peer-reviewed journal papers and book chapters through mentorship.
- To support the alignment of students' work with FSW's Strategic Plan (2022-2027).
- To increase the number of collaborations, including between FSW students and faculty members.

2. Indicators of success*

- Increase in the number of innovative, impactful and collaborative peer-reviewed journal papers and book chapters published by FSW students.
- Increase in the number of collaborations between FSW students and faculty members.

3. Award amount

- Awards are valued at \$300 each with five awards per year (subject to availability of funding).

4. Applicant eligibility

- Any student (BSW, MSW, PhD) who has published a peer-reviewed paper (an original article, i.e., book reviews are not eligible) or a book chapter within 12 months prior to the application deadline (or have a peer-reviewed paper/book chapter in press) is eligible to apply.
- The author must be a student with the FSW at the time of the research and paper writing, as well as at the time of the application deadline.
- The student must be the principal/lead author of the publication.
- The student must be mentored by a member of FSW (mentorship could occur in a variety of forms: as instructor, supervisor, employer, or through other roles).
- Each applicant may submit only one paper for consideration and receive only one award in each given competition as long as they did not receive a publication award in the previous competition.

- Applicants are expected to demonstrate how their publication aligns with two or more of the key priorities identified in the FSW's Strategic Plan (2022-2027).
- Priority will be given to student applicants who have not yet received a FSW student publication award.
- Supporting documentation must be provided with the application (see application procedures below).

5. Evaluation criteria

- Excellence and importance of the paper, including innovation and potential for impact.
- Clear and explicitly articulated alignment with at least two key priorities identified in the FSW's Strategic Plan (2022-2027).
- Quality and description of the mentorship (student should be the first author; the faculty mentor may or may not be an author).
- Preference to those who have not previously received this award.
- Awarded students represent different program levels and program locations.

6. Default application due dates

- April 15 and November 15.

7. Review committee

- A review panel consisting of members of the Research and Partnerships Committee whose students/mentees are not applying for a FSW publication award in the current competition.

8. Application procedures

- A call for applications will be sent out 1 month before the application due dates. In response to the call for applications, applicants are expected to submit a one-page written application through email to Dr. Alyona Belikova at abelikov@ucalgary.ca with the following details and attachments:
 - a. Applicant information (name/degree).
 - b. Publication information (journal name/website, issue, etc.).
 - c. Manuscript information (copy of or a link to the published manuscript [if manuscript is published]).
 - d. Statement (not exceeding 250 words) indicating the significance, innovation and impact/contributions of the manuscript to social work.
 - e. Statement (not exceeding 250 words) indicating alignment with FSW's Strategic Plan (2022-2027).
 - f. Mentorship information (name/rank, nature/description of the mentorship, signature by the mentor/s).

*An annual review of the outcomes of this fund will be conducted by the Research and Partnerships Committee.