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## **KILLAM GRADUATE SUPERVISION AND MENTORSHIP AWARD**

The Killam Scholarship and Prize Programs were established in memory of Izaak Walton Killam through the Will of his wife, Dorothy Johnston Killam, and through gifts made during her lifetime. Their primary purpose is to support advanced education and research at five Canadian Universities including the University of Calgary.

Adjudication is by the Killam Selection Committee. The Committee shall consist of members from the academic community who have been appointed by the Killam Advisory Committee.

The Killam Graduate Supervision and Mentorship Award is presented to an individual who has a record of supervision and mentorship of Masters and/or PhD students at the University of Calgary. No individual may be awarded the prize more than once. The recipient will receive a prize of \$5,000 and a commemorative certificate at the annual Killam Reception.

### **Eligibility:**

The Killam Graduate Supervision and Mentorship Award is open to all full-time continuing academic staff at the University of Calgary who have been involved in graduate supervision for a decade or more. This length of service is included not to exclude junior faculty, but to recognize that assisting a PhD student through to completion of the degree and successful beginnings of a career often takes 5 or more years, and this award recognizes outstanding achievement by an individual who has a record of such successes.

### **Criteria for the Award:**

Demonstrated excellence in graduate mentorship and supervision, supported by evidence of impact. Supervision and mentorship should be understood to include creating effective working relationships and constructive interactions with graduate students, offering appropriate guidance, feedback and support, and involving encouragement, openness, trust and mutual respect throughout and beyond the students' graduate education.

### **Nominations:**

The Selection Committee welcomes nominations from Deans. A maximum of three nominations for this award are invited from the Cumming School of Medicine and the Faculty of Arts; a maximum of two nominations from the Schulich School of Engineering

and Faculty of Science; a maximum of one nomination for each award is invited from each of the other Faculties.

Each year, nominations will rotate between Supervisors who work in a lab-based setting (more typical of Medicine, Science, Engineering and some Social Sciences) and those who mentor students' independent projects (more typical of Humanities, Fine Arts, some Social Sciences and Education). The rotation will work on a 2:1 basis meaning two years lab-based Supervisors, one year non-lab-based Supervisors:

<b>AWARD YEAR</b>	<b>ELIGIBLE SUPERVISORS</b>
2014	Lab-based setting
2015	Lab based setting
2016	Independent (non-lab based)
2017	Lab-based setting
2018	Lab based setting
2019	Independent (non-lab based)

THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ALL MATERIALS is August 10th. Nominations should be submitted to Research Services in the following format:

- One copy sent electronically to [researchawards@ucalgary.ca](mailto:researchawards@ucalgary.ca)

Applicants will be informed confidentially by the Selection Committee in September and the public announcement will take place at the Killam Reception in October.

The recipient of the award will be invited to participate in at least one Supervisory Development workshop organized by the Faculty of Graduate Studies

**Nomination Package:**

1. Signed letter of nomination by the Dean of the Faculty in which the nominee resides. The letter (maximum 3 pages) should address the nominee's qualifications for the award. Please indicate the expectation for graduate supervision in the discipline of the nominee.
2. A statement of philosophy of mentorship/supervision and a description of contributions to graduate mentorship (prepared by the nominee; maximum 5 pages).
3. Evidence of positive impact in graduate mentorship. Testimonial letters from former graduate students may be included but should be limited in number to three.