

## TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR AN ENDOWED FUND

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### André Laurendeau Scholarship

#### INTRODUCTION

This fund was established in 1997 by François Houle and Gilles Labelle, professors in the Department of Political Science, in honour of André Laurendeau. Mr. Laurendeau (1912-1968) was a thinker, writer, journalist and politician who significantly influenced the political and social development of Quebec and Canada in the 1960s. He promoted the implementation of major reforms advocated by the Parent report, such as the creation of a Ministry of Education in Quebec, the democratization of teaching through the introduction of free schooling at all levels, and increased grants to universities. He was Editor in Chief of the newspaper *Le Devoir* and hosted a television series called *Pays et Merveilles* on the CBC French-language network, which opened a window to the world and other cultures. In the political arena, he was one of the founding members of the *Bloc populaire* in 1942 and was elected to a riding for this party. In 1962, the Pearson Liberal government appointed him co-chairman of the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism. This Commission was formed to review relations between Francophones and Anglophones in Canada. This Commission's recommendations included recognition of French as an official language. The donors thank the Alumni Association of the University of Ottawa and the Government of Ontario for their matching contributions.

#### PURPOSE OF FUND

To provide financial assistance to students in the honours program at the University of Ottawa's School of Political Studies and whose education would otherwise be compromised.

#### SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

##### Eligibility Criteria

The applicant must:

1. be a full-time third-year student in the honours program at the University of Ottawa's School of Political Studies;
2. be an Ontario resident, as per OSAP [\[2\]](#) rules;
3. demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa; and
4. have demonstrated academic excellence in the program's compulsory second year courses (minimum of B+).

**Note:** Preference is given to students wishing to participate in an exchange under the International Co-operation Program.

**Value of the Award:** Maximum \$1,500

**Number of Awards:** Variable

**Frequency of the Award:** Annual

**Level of the Award:** Undergraduate

**Application Contact:** Financial Aid and Awards Service

**Application Deadline:** October 31

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must be made through Online Scholarship and Bursaries, which can be accessed through <https://scholarships.uottawa.ca>, and should include the Financial Questionnaire

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<sup>[1]</sup> OSOTF: Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund

<sup>[2]</sup> Ontario Student Assistance Program