



2008 Conference

Helping Students Prepare Award-Winning Scholarship Applications



What is at stake?

- NSERC, SSHRC and CIHR scholarships are very prestigious and lucrative
- In 2007, over 5,000 NSERC, SSHRC, and CIHR awards were offered totaling over \$50 Million
- An application to one of the above may be required as a condition for admission to graduate studies
- Introduction to the grant application process



What will you gain from today's session?

- Tips, methods, processes, and a plan of action to help you increase the number of students from your university who win scholarships



Outline for today's session

- How to plan for success
- Methods to achieve success
- Discussion and Q & A



The plan for success

- Commitment from the institution
- Who will do what
- The plan of action
- Budget implications



The plan for success – Faculty of Graduate Studies

- Deadline dates
- Template for your website
- Vetting committees
- Adjudication committees
- Resident expert
- Statistics



The plan for success – Faculty of Graduate Studies con't.

- What faculty have served as adjudicators at the agencies?
- What is your communication plan?
- What workshops will you offer for faculty, staff and students?
- Examples of award winning applications
- Training graduate programs
- Downloading the expertise



The plan for success - Students

- Workshops
- Events
- Testimonials



The plan for success - Faculty

- Methods to identify exceptional students
- All scholarship information, e.g. USRA
- Information re deadline dates, procedures
- Honours projects



Discussion and Q & A

- Sharing of ideas, what works, what doesn't



Thanks for attending and Good
Luck!
