

## 2025 Esri Young Scholars Award

Esri Canada is pleased to announce the 2025 Esri Young Scholars Award program. The award is available to any student at a Canadian university or college subject to the terms and conditions listed below.

- Applicants need to have used Esri technology to complete a project or conduct interesting research.
- Applicants must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate or graduate program at a university or college in Canada.
- The successful candidate's poster (see below under *What to Submit*) will be submitted to Esri for display at the User Conference in the Map Gallery. All submissions must fully [comply with U.S. Export laws](#) and all other applicable laws, including [copyright laws](#). The successful candidate will be required to sign a consent form to display their work.
- The successful candidate will need to submit a self-photo that will be displayed with their poster in the Map Gallery.
- Applicants' story maps (see below under *What to Submit*) must be public (shared with everyone) and may be publicized by Esri Canada.

*Highlights of the Young Scholar program include:*

- Airfare and living expenses (accommodations and per diem) for you to attend the annual [Education Summit @ Esri UC](#) (July 12-15, 2025) and [Esri User Conference](#) (July 14-18, 2025) in San Diego, California.
- Complimentary registration for both conferences.
- Social events during the conferences to meet other international Young Scholars.
- Displaying and presenting your work and interacting with other Young Scholar recipients at the UC Map Gallery Opening and Reception.
- Attending the Special Achievement in GIS (SAG) Award Ceremony to receive formal recognition for your award.
- Participating in the Facebook group for international Young Scholars.
- An ArcGIS for Personal Use license (one-year term).

Up to two (2) additional bursaries of \$500 and Esri Press eBooks may be awarded to meritorious students at the discretion of the judges.

### What to submit

If you meet the terms and conditions and you would like to be considered for the award, you must submit the following **no later than 8:00 p.m.** Eastern Time **Wednesday, March 19, 2025:**

- A poster that highlights the objectives, methods and results of your use of Esri technology and meets the following requirements. Additional guidelines for the poster are available at [scholars.esri.ca](https://scholars.esri.ca).
  - Poster must be created **only by the applicant** (i.e., no group work).
  - Poster must be submitted in portable document format (PDF).

- Poster orientation **must be portrait** (vertical), DIN-A0 format (84.1 cm x 118.9 cm, 33.1" x 46.8")
- For quality printing, all maps and graphics must be high resolution, minimum 300 dpi.
- A story map that explains the work presented in the poster. Additional guidelines for the story map are available at [scholars.esri.ca](https://scholars.esri.ca).
  - Story map must be public (shared with everyone).
  - Story map should complement the contents of the poster. Include maps, diagrams and images as and where appropriate to explain your research.
- A personal statement describing your experience with GIS, your future plans using GIS, and why you want to attend the Esri UC.
  - Statement should not be longer than 2 pages, minimum 11 pt. font.
- Academic transcripts for all post-secondary education.
  - Official transcripts are not required. However, the transcripts must show cumulative average or an equivalent indication of standing.
  - Graduate students and students enrolled in post-graduate diploma or certificate programs should provide a record of their undergraduate education.
- Contact information: your first and last name and email address.
  - The overall winner and students receiving a bursary may be asked to provide additional information for the purposes of processing the award.
- Enrollment information: name of the institution where you are enrolled and your program of study.

Applications are to be submitted via the form available at [scholars.esri.ca](https://scholars.esri.ca).

#### Selection criteria

Submissions will be judged based on content as well as poster design and presentation and story map organization and clarity. Applicants' academic standing, experience with GIS and specifically with Esri technology will also be taken into account.

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact us at [scholars@esri.ca](mailto:scholars@esri.ca).

We look forward to receiving your submission.

Best regards,



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