

SUMMER 2026 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICAL & ACTUARIAL SCIENCES

Applications are invited for Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRAs) for the summer months of 2026 at the Department of Statistical & Actuarial Sciences at Western University.

Supervision is available in a variety of areas related to existing research conducted by faculty members, including quantitative finance, stochastic processes and applications, optimization, statistical analysis, actuarial modeling and applications, data analytics, and time series. Applicants **ARE** expected to find a faculty member who is willing to supervise them. For information on this program, including how to apply using the online system, you may refer to NSERC's [website](#). Please ensure that you meet all the eligibility requirements prior to submitting an application.

This program will be run in cooperation with NSERC's Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA) program. Salaries will be a minimum of \$9,856 for 16 weeks (i.e., May – August 2026). The awards are subject to availability of funding and depend on the qualifications of the applicants. Each applicant should be an undergraduate student in a mathematical sciences program and possess an A average.

In accordance with NSERC and Canadian Immigration regulations, this advertisement is directed to persons holding Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.

The closing date for receipt of applications is **January 31st, 2026**. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only the successful candidates will be contacted.

Complete applications should include the following components:

- 1) USRA/USRI application form
- 2) A cover letter briefly describing interests, background, and supervisor;
- 3) Email directly from potential supervisor confirming that they support your application;
- 4) A recent grade report, including grades from Fall 2025;
- 5) A curriculum vitae (CV);
- 6) Form 202 – Part I, which can be found on NSERC's website at <https://nserc-crsng.canada.ca/en/funding-opportunity/undergraduate-student-research-awards>
- 7) Two reference letters emailed directly to stats-usra@uwo.ca by the referees.

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(Note: Successful applicants will be required to submit official transcripts; offers will be conditional upon receipt of necessary documentation).