

## Niagara Health Knowledge Institute/TaARI Summer Student Research Scholarship

### Description:

The purpose of the Niagara Health Knowledge Institute (NHKI) is to improve patient care and experience by embedding research into clinical practice. The vision is to transform health care through leading community hospital-based research in Canada. Our values are equity, collaboration, continuous learning, innovation, and empowerment.

Niagara Health (NH) places great value on teaching, learning, research, innovation and partnerships. As such, NH provides opportunities for learners to participate in scientific exchange, collaboration and learning in a research environment. To facilitate early engagement of future research team members in Niagara, the NHKI has partnered with the Thrombosis and Atherosclerosis Research Institute (TaARI) to establish the **Niagara Health Knowledge Institute/TaARI Summer Student Research Scholarship**. This award funds University undergraduate students to participate in a research focused placement with the NHKI and TaARI for a period of twelve weeks between May and August. **The goal is to provide state-of-the-art research training that focuses on innovation, the aging population, and/or personalized medicine, with emphasis on creating new networks between community hospitals and academic research institutes.**

**Award Value:** \$10,000

### Eligibility:

- Currently enrolled in an undergraduate science- or health-related program at a Canadian university
- In good academic standing

### Application Process:

- Individuals must apply directly using our [electronic submission form](#)
- All applications must be received by March 28, 2024 in order to be considered

### Required Documents:

The following items will need to be uploaded using the electronic submission form:

- CV/resume (2 pages max)
- Statement of interest (one page, single spaced) that outlines:
  - Reasons for applying to the scholarship program with a focus on why they want to do research at NHKI and TaARI
  - Career goals
- Copy of University transcripts (official/unofficial)

**Criteria:**

The committee reviewing the applicants will consider the following criteria when determining the recipient:

- Research potential and interest in the NHKI research portfolio
- Contributions to community
- Academic standing

**Program Details:**

The student will work full-time (37.5 hours per week) alongside an NHKI and TaARI researcher for twelve weeks to contribute to an existing research project. Required research training as outlined in the Niagara Health Researcher Training Policy and Procedure must be completed at the beginning the placement. Students will also receive lab-based orientation as well as health and safety training at TaARI at the beginning of placement. Following completion of required research training, the student may perform the following activities:

- Lab-based basic science and/or translational research
- Literature review and critical analyses
- Data collection and analysis
- Participation in research meetings such as TaARI Research Day and NHKI Research Day
- Abstract writing
- Presenting the study in an oral or poster format
- Other activities commensurate with skills and knowledge