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**Subject:** Deadline extension - Governor General's Gold Medal now due April 30, 2019

Hello GPAs and GPDs:

**Governor General’s Gold Medals** nominations were due last Friday, but due to a small number of submissions we have received, we are extending the deadline till next Tuesday April 30, at 4:30pm. We encourage you to nominate outstanding graduating students at the Masters or doctoral level for this prestigious award. While this is not a monetary award, this is one of the most prestigious Canadian prize and recipients will be recognized at the convocation.

Please save your nomination package as one PDF document in your program folder (H:\Graduate Studies\Internal Awards 2019-2020) and send a note to Richolette Freckleton at [fgssac@yorku.ca](mailto:fgssac@yorku.ca) so we know that your file has been added. Please see the detail of the award below (or <http://gradstudies.yorku.ca/current-students/student-finances/funding-awards/governor-generals/> for further detail).

**Overview**

Lord Dufferin, Canada’s third Governor General after Confederation, created the Academic Medals in 1873 to encourage academic excellence across the nation. Over the years, they have become the most prestigious award that students in Canadian schools can receive. Medals are presented on behalf of the Governor General by participating educational institutions, along with personalized certificates signed by the Governor General.

**Eligibility**

* GPA of A or higher;
* Demonstrated superior academic accomplishments.
* Will be receiving his/her degree at the Spring Convocation ceremony in June 2019, or who received his/her degree in Fall 2018.

**How to Apply**

Graduate programs must provide to FGS:

* Letter of Nomination from the Graduate Program which indicates how the nominee has demonstrated “distinction in scholarship at York University”;
* CV;
* Copies of transcripts;
* Any additional documentation that is directly pertinent to, or highlights, the nominee’s “distinction in scholarship”, including letters of support from the nominee's supervisory committee."

Regards,

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