



National Essay Challenge

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

To promote innovative, policy-relevant research by up-and-coming scholars, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is running the National Essay Challenge for **graduate students** in Canadian universities.

Requirements:

- You **must** be a graduate student enrolled at a Canadian university for the 2018 to 2019 academic year.
- Your essay must be either an **empirical research paper**, using qualitative or quantitative methodologies, **or an evidence-based policy paper** related to IRCC's mandate.
- The essay cannot be co-authored and you **must** have the support of a professor.

How do I enter?

- First, send an email to IRCC.NEC-CNE.IRCC@cic.gc.ca to access the National Essay Challenge group on GCcollab, where you will find information about the requirements of the Challenge.
- Once you are a member of the National Essay Challenge GCcollab group, you will need to submit your **working essay title** by **November 15, 2018**.

What's in it for me?

Up to 6 finalists will receive:

- An IRCC certificate of achievement.
- An invitation to present at the International Metropolis Conference 2019 in Ottawa-Gatineau and at an IRCC Research Matters Event, with \$500 in addition to travel and conference fees paid.
- The possibility of an internship or offer of casual employment from IRCC.

