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**Please print your name in full:**

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>First Name</b> 0200	<b>Middle Name</b> 0201	<b>Last Name</b> 0202
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
<b>Suffix (e.g., Jr.)</b> 0203	<b>Cross reference: Birth name or former name legally changed</b> 0204	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>
<b>Name of Doctoral Institution</b> 0205		<b>City</b> 0206
<b>Date degree granted</b>	<b>Month</b> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<b>Year</b> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
	0207	0208

## To the respondent:

Statistics Canada is conducting the Survey of Earned Doctorates in partnership with all Canadian doctoral degree granting institutions.

The survey collects data about your postsecondary academic path, funding sources, field of study and your immediate post-graduate plans. The collected data are then combined and disseminated in aggregate form, in such a way that they cannot identify you. These disseminated data are of interest to your doctoral institution and to all other doctoral institutions, to organizations such as the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies (CAGS) and the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC), as well as to government bodies such as Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC), the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Industry Canada and Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC). This information will help them to better understand and respond to the financial and program needs of doctoral students.

In order to enhance the analytical value of the survey, the information provided in this survey may be combined with other information concerning you available to Statistics Canada from other surveys or from administrative records.

While your participation is voluntary, your assistance is essential to ensure that the results are meaningful.

Your answers will be kept strictly confidential and used for statistical purposes only.

When you have completed the questionnaire, ***please seal it within the return envelope provided and mail directly to Statistics Canada, or return it to your institution's office of graduate studies as soon as possible (within the next month).***

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Questionnaire ID	Institution code
0209	0210



# INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. Directions are provided for each question.

- If you have not already done so, please print your name on the front cover.
- When answering questions that require marking a box, please use an "X."

## PART A — Education

### A1a. What is the title of your dissertation or thesis?

0400  Please mark (X) this box if the title below refers to a performance, project report, or a musical or literary composition required instead of a dissertation.

Title   
  
0401

A1b. Was your doctoral degree research-oriented? 0402 1  Yes 3  No

### A2. Please write the name of the primary field of your thesis or dissertation.

Using the list on page 16, choose the code that best describes the primary field of your thesis.

Name of Field  0403 Number of Field  0404

If your thesis was interdisciplinary, list the name and number of all additional fields.

Name of Field  0405 Number of Field  0406

Name of Field  0407 Number of Field  0408

Name of Field  0409 Number of Field  0410

### A3. Please name the department(s) (or interdisciplinary committee, centre, institute, program, etc.) to which you were affiliated during your doctoral studies.

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### A4. If you received full or partial tuition remission (waiver) during the course of your doctoral studies, was it: 0412

- 1  I did not receive any tuition remission
- 2  for less than 1/3 of tuition
- 3  between 1/3 and 2/3 of tuition
- 4  more than 2/3 of tuition but less than full
- 5  full tuition remission



**A5. Which of the following were sources of financial support during graduate school? Mark (X) ALL that apply.**

**FELLOWSHIP, SCHOLARSHIP:**

- 01.  From NSERC 0415
- 02.  From SSHRC 0416
- 03.  From MRC/CIHR 0417
- 04.  From your institution 0418
- 05.  From a provincial source 0419 Specify:  0420
- 06.  From another known source 0421 Specify:  0422
- 07.  From an unknown source 0423

**TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP:**

- 08.  Funded by NSERC 0426
- 09.  Funded by SSHRC 0427
- 10.  Funded by MRC/CIHR 0428
- 11.  Funded by your institution 0429
- 12.  Funded by a provincial source 0430 Specify:  0431
- 13.  Funded by another known source 0432 Specify:  0433
- 14.  Funded by an unknown source 0434

**RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP (including stipends):**

- 15.  Funded by NSERC 0437
- 16.  Funded by SSHRC 0438
- 17.  Funded by MRC/CIHR 0439
- 18.  Funded by your institution 0440
- 19.  Funded by a provincial source 0441 Specify:  0442
- 20.  Funded by another known source 0443 Specify:  0444
- 21.  Funded by an unknown source 0445

**OTHER SOURCES OF SUPPORT:**

- 22.  Loans (from any source) 0448
- 23.  Foreign (non-Canadian) support 0449
- 24.  Personal savings 0450
- 25.  Personal earnings during graduate school (other than sources listed above) 0451
- 26.  Spouse's, partner's or family earnings or savings 0452
- 27.  Employer reimbursement/assistance 0453
- 28.  Other 0454 Specify:  0455

**A6. Which TWO sources listed in A5 provided the most support? Enter numbers (01-28) of primary source and secondary source.**

- 0458  Primary source of support
- 0459  Secondary source of support
- 0460  Mark (X) this box if no secondary source.





A7. The next few questions ask about the degrees you have received. Starting with this doctorate degree, please provide the following information for your most recent master's degree and your first bachelor's degree.

	This doctorate degree	Most recent master's degree (e.g. MSc, MA, MBA) or equivalent	First bachelor's degree (e.g. BA, BSc) or equivalent
a. Have you received a degree of this type? .....	1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes 3 <input type="checkbox"/> No 0465	1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 3 <input type="checkbox"/> No 0480	1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 3 <input type="checkbox"/> No 0496
b. Month/year that you started your degree .....	Month <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0466 Year <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0467	Month <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0481 Year <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0482	Month <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0497 Year <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0498
c. Month/year of degree award .....	Month <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0468 Year <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0469	Month <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0483 Year <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0484	Month <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0499 Year <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0500
d. Primary field of study .....	<input type="text"/> 0470	<input type="text"/> 0485	<input type="text"/> 0501
e. Field number from list on page 16 .....	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0471	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0486	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 0502
f. Institution name .....	<input type="text"/> 0472	<input type="text"/> 0487	<input type="text"/> 0503
g. City .....	<input type="text"/> 0473	<input type="text"/> 0488	<input type="text"/> 0504
h. Province or territory (in Canada) .....	<input type="text"/> 0474	<input type="text"/> 0489	<input type="text"/> 0505
i. State (if U.S.) .....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> 0490	<input type="text"/> 0506
j. Country .....	<input type="text" value="CANADA"/> 0475	<input type="text"/> 0491	<input type="text"/> 0507





**A8. Excluding those provided in A7, have you obtained any additional postsecondary degree(s), diploma(s) or certificate(s)?** 0512

1  Yes    3  No → **GO TO A9**

**If yes, please list the additional degree(s), diploma(s) or certificate(s), granting institution(s), and years.**

**1.** Type of degree, diploma or certificate  0513

Field of study  0514      Year Granted  0515

Institution  0516      City  0517

Province or territory (if Canada)  0518      State (if U.S.)  0519

Country  0520

  

**2.** Type of degree, diploma or certificate  0521

Field of study  0522      Year Granted  0523

Institution  0524      City  0525

Province or territory (if Canada)  0526      State (if U.S.)  0527

Country  0528

  

**3.** Type of degree, diploma or certificate  0529

Field of study  0530      Year Granted  0531

Institution  0532      City  0533

Province or territory (if Canada)  0534      State (if U.S.)  0535

Country  0536

  

**4.** Type of degree, diploma or certificate  0537

Field of study  0538      Year Granted  0539

Institution  0540      City  0541

Province or territory (if Canada)  0542      State (if U.S.)  0543

Country  0544





A9. Was a master's degree a prerequisite for admission to your doctoral program? 0545

1  Yes 3  No

A10. In what year did you first enter graduate school in any program or capacity, at any university?

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A11. How many months or years were you taking courses or preparing for exams for this doctoral degree (including a master's degree, if that was a part of your doctoral program)?

Months   0547 OR Years   0548 ← Round to whole years

A12. After coursework and exams, how many months or years did you work on your dissertation or thesis (non-course related preparation or research, writing, and defense)?

0549  Mark (X) this box if no dissertation or thesis required.

Months   0550 OR Years   0551 ← Round to whole years

A13. Are you earning, or have you earned, a professional medical or dental degree (e.g. MD, DDS), in addition to the doctorate? 0552

1  Yes 3  No

A14a. When you receive your doctoral degree, how much money will you owe that is directly related to your undergraduate education? Mark (X) one. 0555

1  None

2  \$10,000 or less

3  \$10,001-\$20,000

4  \$20,001-\$30,000

5  \$30,001-\$40,000

6  \$40,001-\$50,000

7  \$50,001 or more

A14b. When you receive your doctoral degree, how much money will you owe that is directly related to your graduate education? Mark (X) one. 0556

1  None

2  \$10,000 or less

3  \$10,001-\$20,000

4  \$20,001-\$30,000

5  \$30,001-\$40,000

6  \$40,001-\$50,000

7  \$50,001 or more



## PART B — Postgraduation Plans

### B1a. In what country do you intend to live after graduation (within the next year)?

0600	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Canada	Province or territory	<input type="text"/>	0601	} → SKIP TO B2
0602	<input type="checkbox"/>	In U.S.	State	<input type="text"/>	0603	
0604	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other country	Specify	<input type="text"/>	0605	} → GO TO B1b

### B1b. Do you plan on returning to Canada to live or work in the future? 0606

- 1  Yes
- 3  No
- 4  I don't know

### B2. Do you intend to take a “postdoc” position? 0607

A “**postdoc**” is a temporary position primarily for gaining additional education and training in research, usually awarded in academe, industry, or government.

- 1  Yes
- 3  No

### B3. What is the status of your postgraduate plans (in the next year)? *Mark (X) one.*

0608	<input type="checkbox"/>	Am returning to, or continuing in, same employment/position as prior to PhD completion	} → GO TO B4
0609	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have signed contract or made definite commitment for other work or study	
0610	<input type="checkbox"/>	Am negotiating with one or more specific organizations	} → SKIP TO B14
0611	<input type="checkbox"/>	Am seeking position but have no specific prospects	
0612	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do not plan to work or study	
0613	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other – Specify <input type="text"/>	



**B4. What best describes your (within the next year) postgraduate plans? (If more than one activity, answer for the one at which you will spend the most hours). Mark (X) one.**

**Further Training or Study**

0615  Postdoctoral fellowship

0616  Postdoctoral research associateship

0617  Traineeship

0618  Intern, clinical residency

0619  Other study – Specify  0620

→ SKIP TO B10a

**or Employment or Other**

0621  Employment (other than those listed above under Further Training or Study)

0622  Other – Specify  0623

→ GO TO B5

**Note:**

**For Questions B5 to B9:** If you will have more than one job, answer for the one at which you will spend **the most hours**.

**B5. What kind of business, industry or service is this?** Please be specific. For example: *municipal government, secondary school, private research laboratory, etc..*

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**B6. What will be your work or occupation?** Please be specific. For example: *urban planner, secondary school teacher, manager of biological research department, etc..*

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**B7. In this work, what will be your main activities?** Please be specific. For example: *teaching geography, managing a research lab, etc.*

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**B8. How many hours a week will you usually work at this job?**

0627    hours per week (round to the nearest hour)

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**B9. What will be your annual wage or salary?** 0628

- 1  Under \$25,000
- 2  \$25,000-\$34,999
- 3  \$35,000-\$44,999
- 4  \$45,000-\$54,999
- 5  \$55,000-\$64,999
- 6  \$65,000-\$74,999
- 7  \$75,000 or more

→ **SKIP TO B11**

**B10a. What will be the main source of financial support for your postdoctoral study/research within the next year?**  
*Mark (X) one.*

- 0631  Funding agencies Specify  0632
- 0633  Industry/business
- 0634  College or university
- 0635  Private foundation
- 0636  Non-profit, other than private foundation
- 0637  Other Specify  0638
- 0639  Unknown

**B10b. What will be the total amount of financial support you will receive for your postdoctoral study/research within the next year? Include money received from all sources listed above (question B10a.).** *Mark (X) one.* 0641

- 1  Under \$25,000
- 2  \$25,000-\$34,999
- 3  \$35,000-\$44,999
- 4  \$45,000-\$54,999
- 5  \$55,000-\$64,999
- 6  \$65,000-\$74,999
- 7  \$75,000 or more





**B11. For what type of employer will you be working or in training within the next year? Mark (X) one.**

**EDUCATION**

- 0642  Canadian university other than medical school
- 0643  Canadian medical school (including university affiliated hospital or medical centre)
- 0644  Canadian community college, CEGEP or technical institute
- 0645  Canadian pre-school, elementary, or secondary school
- 0646  U.S. educational institution
- 0647  Educational institution in other country
- 0648  Canadian university-affiliated research institute

**GOVERNMENT**

- 0649  Canadian federal government
- 0650  Canadian provincial or territorial government
- 0651  Canadian municipal government
- 0652  U.S. government
- 0653  Government of other country

**PRIVATE SECTOR**

- 0654  Not-for-profit organization
- 0655  Industry or business (for profit)

**OTHER**

- 0656  Self-employed
- 0657  Other - Specify  0658

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**B12. Please name the organization and geographic location where you will work or study.**

Name  0660

Province or territory  
(if Canada)  0661

**OR** State (if U.S.)  0662

Country  0663

**B13. What will be your primary and secondary work activities? Mark (X) one in each column.**

**Primary work activity**

**Secondary work activity**

Research and development  0670

Teaching  0671

Management or administration  0672

Professional services  0673

Other – Specify  0674  
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Research and development  0676

Teaching  0677

Management or administration  0678

Professional services  0679

Other – Specify  0680  
 0681

0682  Mark (X) this box if no secondary work activities.

**B14. In the last year, have you been directly approached or contacted by employers/head hunters for recruitment purposes in connection with your field of study?** 0685

1  Yes

3  No

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## PART C — Background Information

**C1. Are you ...** 0700

- 1  Male      2  Female

**C2. What is your marital status? Mark (X) one.** 0701

- 1  Never legally married (single)  
 2  Legally married (and not separated)  
 3  Separated, but still legally married  
 4  Divorced  
 5  Widowed

**C3. Are you living with a common-law partner?** 0702

“**Common-law**” refers to two people of the opposite sex or the same sex who live together as a couple but who are not legally married to each other.

- 1  Yes      3  No

**C4. Not including yourself or your spouse/partner, how many dependents in each of the following age groups do you have?**

A “**dependent**” is someone who receives at least one-half of their financial support from you.

0703  Mark (X) this box if none.

**Number**

0704  5 years of age or younger

0705  6 to 18 years

0706  19 years or older

**C5. What is the highest educational attainment of your mother and father (or guardians)? Mark (X) one for each parent.**

	<b>Mother</b> <small>0707</small>	<b>Father</b> <small>0708</small>
Less than high school (or secondary school)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
High school (or secondary school) graduate	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Some postsecondary education	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Trade/vocational diploma or certificate	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
College diploma or certificate (including CEGEP, nursing school, etc.)	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
Bachelor's degree	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
Professional degree (i.e. MD, LLB, DDS)	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>
Master's Degree	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
Doctoral Degree	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
Not applicable	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>
Don't know	11 <input type="checkbox"/>	11 <input type="checkbox"/>



**C6. What is your date of birth?**

<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="9"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	0709	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	0710	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	0711
Year				Month		Day				

**C7. What is your place of birth?**

0712	<input type="checkbox"/>	Born in Canada	Specify province or territory	<input type="text"/>	0713
0714	<input type="checkbox"/>	Born outside Canada	Specify country	<input type="text"/>	0715

**C8. Of what country are you a citizen?** Indicate more than one citizenship, if applicable.

“Canada, by naturalization” refers to the process by which an immigrant is granted citizenship of Canada, under the *Citizenship Act*.

0716	<input type="checkbox"/>	Canada, by birth		
0717	<input type="checkbox"/>	Canada, by naturalization		
0718	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other country	Specify	<input type="text"/>

**C9. Are you now, or have you ever been, a landed immigrant?**

A “landed immigrant” is a person who has been granted the right to live in Canada permanently by immigration authorities.

1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	No → <b>SKIPTO C11</b>
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**C10. In what year did you first become a landed immigrant?**

Year     *If exact year is not known, enter best estimate.*

**C11. When you first registered in your doctoral program, were you a visa or foreign student in Canada?**

1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
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**C12. What language do you speak most often at home?**

0723	<input type="checkbox"/>	English		
0724	<input type="checkbox"/>	French		
0725	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	Specify	<input type="text"/>

**C13. In what province, territory, state or country was the high school/secondary school that you last attended?**

0727  
Province or territory (if Canada)

0728  
**OR** State (if U.S.)

0729  
Country (if not Canada)





**C14. Do you have any difficulty hearing, seeing, communicating, walking, climbing stairs, bending or doing any similar activities?** 0730

- 1  Yes, sometimes
- 2  Yes, often
- 3  No

**C15. Does a physical condition or health problem reduce the kind or amount of activity you can do:**

...at home? 0731

- 1  Yes, sometimes
- 2  Yes, often
- 3  No

...at work or at school? 0732

- 1  Yes, sometimes
- 2  Yes, often
- 3  No

...in other activities such as transportation or leisure? 0733

- 1  Yes, sometimes
- 2  Yes, often
- 3  No

**C16. Ethno-cultural information is collected to support programs that promote equal opportunity for everyone. Are you ... Mark (X) ALL that apply.**

- 0734  White
- 0735  North American Indian
- 0736  Métis
- 0737  Inuit
- 0738  Chinese
- 0739  South Asian (e.g., East Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan etc.)
- 0740  Black
- 0741  Filipino
- 0742  Latin American
- 0743  Southeast Asian (e.g., Cambodian, Indonesian, Laotian, Vietnamese etc.)
- 0744  Arab (e.g., Saudi, Egyptian etc.)
- 0745  West Asian (Afghan, Iranian etc.)
- 0746  Japanese
- 0747  Korean
- 0748  Other – Specify  0749

**C17. To which ethnic or cultural group(s) did your ancestors belong?** Specify as many groups as applicable. 0750

For example, Canadian, French, English, Chinese, Italian, German, Scottish, Irish, Cree, Micmac, Métis, Inuit, East Indian, Ukrainian, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Filipino, Jewish, Greek, Jamaican, Vietnamese, Lebanese, etc.





**C18. In case we need to clarify some of the information you have provided, please list an e-mail address, and telephone numbers where you could be reached, as well as your province, territory or state of residence.**

 0751  
 E-mail address

 0766  
 Province, territory or state

          0752  
 Canada or U.S. daytime telephone  
          0770  
 Ext.

          0753  
 Canada or U.S. evening telephone

 Overseas daytime telephone  
                 0771  
 Country City Local number

 Overseas evening telephone  
                 0772  
 Country City Local number

**C19. In case there are difficulties reaching you, we would like the name of a friend or relative we could call. This would only be used to help us make contact with you.**

**Contact Person**  
 0754  
 Name

 0755  
 Address (Number)

 0756  
 Address (Street)

 0757  
 City

 0758  
 Province, territory or state

          0759  
 Postal or ZIP code

                     0760  
 Telephone number

 0761  
 E-mail address

**C20. Statistics Canada is conducting the Survey of Earned Doctorates in cooperation with all doctoral-degree granting institutions in Canada. By signing below, you authorize Statistics Canada to release all information provided in this questionnaire, with your personal identifiers, to your doctoral institution. The institution may combine your responses with other data they have about you. The institutions have undertaken to keep this information confidential and to use it only for research and statistical purposes. The release of any information by the institutions will only be in aggregate form.**

 0762  
 Signature

 0763  
 Date (YYYY/MM/DD)

**Thank-you for having taken the time to complete the Survey of Earned Doctorates.**

Please use the envelope provided to mail your completed questionnaire to Statistics Canada or to return it to your institution's office of graduate studies.

If you have questions or concerns about the survey, you may contact us by phone at 1 877 540-3973 or by email at education.oid@statcan.ca.

Please use the space below to make any additional comments you may have about this survey.

**Comments about the survey** 9916

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