Scholarship Eligibility & Nomination Process

INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

Eligibility Criteria:

- Entering a full-time master’s program in an AI-related field at an Ontario university for the 2021-22 academic year. The program must be Vector-recognized or you must be pursuing an individualized study plan that is demonstrably AI-focused.
- Hold first-class standing (minimum of A- or equivalent) in the last two years of full-time equivalent study from a recognized university (typically 20 half-courses). Students’ transcripts should reflect preparedness for the proposed master’s program.
- Consideration will be given to nominees with upper second class standing (B+) and relevant work experience, only if rationale for consideration is included in the nomination package.

Nomination Package Requirements:

Prospective students must include all the following components in their nomination package to be considered:

- Copies of all up-to-date transcripts (undergraduate and graduate, if applicable);
  - Students who submit unofficial transcripts will be required to submit official transcripts, should they be selected as scholarship recipients
- Two references using the Referee Form (available January 2021), at least one of which is academic;
- An up-to-date one to two-page CV;
- A 250-word statement outlining your reason for pursuing a master’s in AI, relevant AI-related experience, and career aspirations (suggested template available January 2021);
- Self-Identification Form (available January 2021);
- If not enrolled in a Vector-recognized program, an approved study plan including a course list and a description of thesis/capstone project (suggested template available January 2021).
• If your GPA in the last two years of study is below A-, rationale for consideration of your nomination (i.e. describing extenuating circumstances)

Scholarship Conditions:

• The scholarship is non-transferable, as selected recipients are required to register at the Ontario university and program they were nominated to receive the award for.
• The scholarship funds will be provided directly to the university to disburse to recipients.