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- Award Level:** Master's and Doctoral
- Award Value:** \$10,000
- Renewable:**
- Domestic/VISA:** Canadian citizens, permanent residents and/or protected persons who are residents of Ontario are eligible
- Number of Awards:** Normally 1 award
- Eligible Disciplines:** Human rights and social justice issues related to the situation of indigenous people and/or people of African descent in Latin America and the Caribbean
- Selection Criteria:**
- graduate student (MA or PhD) in good standings;
 - Canadian citizens or permanent residents
 - registration in the Graduate Diploma Program in Latin America and Caribbean Studies; and
 - demonstrate financial need
- PROCESS:**
- Application:** One copy of the following:
- Completed and signed Fellowship Application form
 - Research statement (750 words max)
 - Current CV
 - Academic transcripts (can be received up to 1 week after the deadline)
 - Two academic letters of support (in separate sealed envelopes signed at the back by the person writing the letter)
 - Student Financial Profile filled out:
<http://gradstudies.yorku.ca/files/2014/07/entrance-financial-profile.pdf>
- Deadline:** April 1, 2016
- Contact:** cbonifaz@yorku.ca / 416-736-5237

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Application Checklist

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Consult Award Guidelines below for further details. The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the forms are submitted by the deadline to:

CERLAC Awards Committee

Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean
825, Kaneff Tower, York University
4700 Keele Street
Toronto, ON M3J 1P3

Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted!

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Guidelines

The Paavo and Aino Lukkari Award is granted through the Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLAC) to York graduate students who are engaged in research on human rights and social justice issues related to the situation of indigenous people and/or people of African descent in Latin America and the Caribbean. The Award functions as a cost fund to support a number of graduate students' research and academic training costs, for complementary activities central to the completion of their research. Award(s) will be granted to one or more graduate students annually, to provide support for discrete, concrete activities such as, for example: fieldwork expenses; specialized equipment or software; specialized training (language instruction); etc.

Research statement: In max. 750 words and using accessible, non-specialized language, describe your research plan:

- the question you are seeking to answer and why you have chosen it (the importance of the topic and anticipated contribution to knowledge)
- your planned methodology and research timeline

Guidelines for letters of reference:

- Comment on:
 - alignment with the thematic focus of the award/fellowship
 - student's progress in his/her studies, likelihood he/she will complete proposed research
 - academic qualifications, expected contribution to knowledge, etc.
- The letters should be submitted with the application form in signed envelopes

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Application Form

Applicant Information	
Name:	Department:
York Address:	E-mail:
Program of Study:	Year of Study:
Highest academic degree & date received:	
Thesis Title:	
Title of project (if applicable):	
Are you a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada (eligibility requirement)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Summarize your personal and educational background (1,500 character limit)

Are you applying for funding from other sources for any part of this project? If yes, please give the name of the funding institution, the amount applied for, and the date the result notification is expected.

Have you received funding from other sources for any part of this project? If yes, please give the name of the funding institution(s) and amount(s) promised or received

By submitting this form, I have read and agree to the following:

I am providing my personal information to York University for the purpose of applying for the award indicated above.

- The information I have provided in this Student Financial Profile is complete and accurate.
- I will provide supporting documentation to York University to verify my eligibility upon request.
- Should I be selected to receive the award, I consent to the disclosure to the donor of the award, York University Division of Advancement and other educational institutions the following information: my name, my award, program of study, year level, the amount of my award and personal information that confirms the reason for the award grant.

Applicant signature	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
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