

# Selection Criteria for Study Track

Eligible applications will undergo a merit-based review conducted by Lakehead University. Only applications that fully meet the eligibility and documentation requirements will be considered for institutional nomination under the ELAP program as well as ELAP's objectives stated on the [ELAP website](#).

## 1. Application Package Requirements:

All applicants must submit a complete application package in strict accordance with the official ELAP call guidelines stated in the application.

*Important Notice: Applications that are incomplete, incorrectly formatted, or missing required documentation will be automatically disqualified and will not be considered for nomination.*

## 2. Letter of Intent from the Candidate (Maximum two pages)

The Letter of Intent must clearly and concisely address the following two questions:

### Question 1:

Please provide your rationale for studying in Canada and for choosing Lakehead University as the host institution, including the selected academic program, and explain how the proposed program of study relates to your future academic and/or career goals.

### Question 2:

How do you define "leadership," and how have your previous academic, professional, or extracurricular experiences shaped that definition?

## 3. Letter of Support from the Home Institution (Maximum one page)

The Letter of Support must meet all of the following requirements:

- Written on the official home institution's letterhead
- Dated within the last three (3) months
- Acceptable only if the letter is issued by the candidate's instructor or professor who has previously engaged with the candidate in an academic capacity
- Explain the nature of the study to be undertaken in Canada and how the candidate and their home institution will benefit from the scholarship.

### **Important Notice: Key factors for a strong support letter include:**

- *A personalized assessment of the candidate (template letters are strongly discouraged)*
- *Clear explanation of how the ELAP scholarship will impact the candidate's future studies and long-term goals.*
- *Identification of the academic, institutional, or strategic benefits to the home institution resulting from the student's participation in the program.*