

2026 2027 Solutions Scholars Application



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Climate Solutions Research Collective

Thank you for applying to the 2026-2027 Solutions Scholars Program.

The Solutions Scholars program sponsors existing UBC Masters and PhD students to apply their scholarly research skills to climate change mitigation, adaptation, and/or education. In 2026-2027, successful Solutions Scholars will work on one or more subject areas as part of the Future Canada Initiative. The Future Canada Initiative (the Initiative) brings together teams of UBC faculty (see our call for faculty participation here) and graduate students through the Solutions Scholar program to co-develop a multi-sector assessment report. Each team will produce a chapter assessing national pathways to a prosperous low-carbon future across one key sector, activity and/or theme. These

chapters will be assembled within a report which will provide a broad view the opportunities available in Canada.

Review the program details here before applying:

<https://climatesolutions.ubc.ca/solutions-scholars-program/apply-program>

To help you prepare for your application, you may wish to download a copy of these questions from then cut and paste responses into this Qualtrics survey once complete.

Available on the website

here: <https://climatesolutions.ubc.ca/solutions-scholars-program/apply-program>

In addition, you will be asked to upload your CV:

- Maximum four pages in length
- Academic style, list relevant professional experiences, skills, coursework, and publication
- File must be uploaded as a PDF
- File must be named LastName_FirstName_SolutionsCV.pdf

You must alert your supervisor to your application and their must confirm their support of your application. In lieu of providing a reference letter, your supervisor will be sent an automated email from the Climate Solutions Research Collective upon submission of this Qualtrics survey requesting their confirmation of support for your application.

The application form will begin on the next page of this survey.

The deadline for the application is May 17, 2026 at 11:59pm.

Your Full Name (first and last)

Your Email

Your Faculty (e.g. Forestry, Arts)

Your Program of Study (e.g. Sociology, Theatre, Plant Science, Electrical Engineering, etc.)

Degree

- Doctoral
- Masters (research)
- Masters (course-based)

Your Supervisor's Name

Your Supervisor's Email. Your supervisor will be sent an automated email once you have submitted your application enabling them to confirm their support.

Please note, as long as your submission is received by the application deadline, your supervisor will have an additional 48 hours to submit their confirmation.

Why are you interested in the Solutions Scholar Program?
(max 1250 characters)

What research competencies do you bring to the Solutions Scholars Program, in particular related to climate solutions oriented research? (max 1250 characters)

Note: you will have the opportunity to speak to the competencies applicable to specific topics on the next page

Describe your experience with interdisciplinary and / or collaborative research. (max 1250 characters)

What area(s) of climate change solutions research excites you the most right now? (max 800 characters)

The 2026–2027 cohort will contribute towards research on one of six topics as a part of the Future Canada Initiative. Indicate your first choice in topics that you would like to work on as part of a research group.

- Passenger Transportation (electric vehicles, public transit, etc.)
- Medium and Heavy-Duty Transportation
- Buildings (heating and cooling, efficiency)
- Forestry and Agriculture
- Clean Power (electricity generation and transmission)
- Heavy Industry Including Oil and Gas

The 2026–2027 cohort will contribute towards research on one of six topics as a part of the Future Canada Initiative. Indicate your second choice in topics that you would like to work on as part of a research group.

- Passenger Transportation (electric vehicles, public transit, etc.)
- Medium and Heavy-Duty Transportation
- Buildings (heating and cooling, efficiency)
- Forestry and Agriculture
- Clean Power (electricity generation and transmission)
- Heavy Industry Including Oil and Gas

Are there any additional details you would like to share regarding your project preferences? (Maximum of 400 characters)

On the next pages, you will have an opportunity to describe how your research competencies, skills, and / or experiences relate to the two topics that you have selected above. Please only provide responses for the topics indicated as your first and second choice. No other responses will be considered.

Did you indicate Passenger Transportation (electric vehicles, public transit, etc.) as your first or second choice?

- Yes
- No

What specific research competencies, skills, or experiences do you bring to the topic Passenger Transportation (electric vehicles, public transit, etc.) (max 1000 characters)

Did you indicate Medium and Heavy-Duty Transportation as your first or second choice?

- Yes
- No

What specific research competencies, skills, or experiences do you bring to the topic Medium and Heavy-Duty Transportation? (max 1000 characters)

Did you indicate Buildings (heating and cooling, efficiency) as

your first or second choice?

- Yes
- No

What specific research competencies, skills, or experiences do you bring to the topic Buildings (heating and cooling, efficiency)? (max 1000 characters)

Did you indicate Forestry and Agriculture as your first or second choice?

- Yes
- No

What specific research competencies, skills, or experiences do you bring to the topic Forestry and Agriculture? (max 1000 characters)

Did you indicate Clean Power (electricity generation and transmission) as your first or second choice?

- Yes
- No

What specific research competencies, skills, or experiences do you bring to the topic Clean Power (electricity generation and transmission)? (max 1000 characters)

Did you indicate Heavy Industry Including Oil and Gas as your

first or second choice?

Yes

No

What specific research competencies, skills, or experiences do you bring to the topic Heavy Industry Including Oil and Gas?
(max 1000 characters)

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You can download a copy of your application on the next page. You should also receive an email confirmation with a copy of your responses.