

PSI CHI - UBC CHAPTER

SUEDFELD SCHOLAR AWARD (SSA)

What is the SSA? The SSA is the top undergraduate award given by our chapter of Psi Chi. This competitive award is designed to recognize and honour one Psi Chi member per year with the all-around most outstanding combination of academics, research and service.

What does the SSA offer? This prestigious designation offers a cash prize of \$500. In addition to this financial award, students will receive a certificate and will be officially recognized at our annual induction ceremony.

Who is eligible? Current undergraduate members of Psi Chi (UBC Chapter) who show clear evidence of outstanding academic success in their coursework and research contributions (e.g., a poster presentation at a conference or a publication), with innovative and impactful service to UBC and/or the community are eligible. If a suitable candidate is not identified in a given year, the award may not be given. Note: Winners of the SSA cannot win any other chapter award except the EUTA.

How are the applications processed? Submitted applications will be processed by a committee of UBC Psychology faculty, including the Psi Chi Chapter advisor, as well as the UBC Psi Chi executives. The selection criteria will be based on the quality of the submitted materials.



Celebrating the achievements of Dr. Peter Suedfeld. We are proud that this prestigious award bears the name of Dr. Peter Suedfeld, Professor Emeritus of Psychology. Dr. Suedfeld's distinguished career is concerned with how human beings cope with novelty, challenge, stress, and danger. His many honours include the CPA Gold Medal Award for lifetime contributions to Canadian psychology and the Donald Hebb Award for contributions to psychology as a science, and the Zachor Award of the Canadian Parliament for contributions to society. He served as the Department Head of

Psychology from 1972-84 and has been a member of Psi Chi since 1959.

To be considered for this award, you must submit the following:

- 1. Current Curriculum Vitae (CV)**

Make sure to detail pertinent aspects of your involvement in research (e.g., presentations, papers in preparation or in press, already published work), academics and extracurriculars. Please consider using the CV template found with the EUTA application.

Limit: 2 pgs, 1" margins, single-spaced, 12 pt font

- 2. Written Statement of Purpose**

Please write an essay outlining your most significant achievements in research, community service, and extra-curricular activities, as well as explaining how they have contributed to UBC/the community.

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- 3. Letters of Recommendation (a minimum of two letters are required)**

One letter must come from an individual who is able to comment on the significance of your research involvement. This person must be associated with UBC Psychology or a UBC-related facility/program. The second reference letter should address service/leadership. The letters must be submitted in a sealed envelope with your referee's signature across the seal.