

# 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 display excellence in the following categories:

1. **Academics:** Clear evidence of outstanding academic success in their coursework
2. **Research:** Contributions to a poster presentation at a student or professional conference or a publication in a student or professional journal
3. **Service:** Playing an integral role in innovative and impactful service efforts to UBC and/or the community (eg. being part of a leadership team and dedicating >30 hours towards it)

Note: Winners of the SSA cannot win any other chapter award except the EUTA. If a suitable candidate is not identified in a given year, the award may not be given.

### How are the applications processed?

Submitted applications will be processed by a committee of UBC Psychology members, including the Psi Chi Chapter advisor, as well as the UBC Psi Chi Co-Presidents and Vice President. 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. For guidelines about writing your CV, you may refer to the following resources:

- How to Write a Strong CV:

[https://www.psychologicalscience.org/members/apssc/undergraduate\\_update/undergraduate-update-summer-2013/how-to-write-a-strong-cv](https://www.psychologicalscience.org/members/apssc/undergraduate_update/undergraduate-update-summer-2013/how-to-write-a-strong-cv)

- Curricula Vitae (CVs) versus Resumes:

<https://writingcenter.unc.edu/tips-and-tools/curricula-vitae-cvs-versus-resumes>

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### **2. Written Statement of Purpose**

Please write an essay outlining your most significant achievements in academics, research, and service, as well as explaining how these have contributed to UBC or their community.

- Note: Include your Student Number for verification purposes

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### **3. List of References** (Minimum of 3 is required)

The references must come from individuals who are able to comment on the significance of your research involvement or service/leadership efforts. This person must be associated with UBC Psychology or a UBC-related facility/program.