

Instructions:

- 1) Review the award [eligibility](#) and selection criteria.
- 2) Complete this form and supporting application materials and email to your [Department Graduate Scholarship Coordinator](#) by **department deadline**.

The [Vector Scholarships in Artificial Intelligence](#) are merit-based awards that recognize top candidates pursuing AI-related studies in master's programs recognized by the Vector Institute or who are following an individualized study path that is demonstrably AI-focused in Ontario, Canada. Scholarships will be awarded to students in both core technical programs and complementary fields such as business or health care.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Family Name: _____ Given Name(s): _____

UW Student ID: _____ Email: _____

Department: _____ Program: MSc MEng/MMSc

STUDENT CHECKLIST

All award materials must be submitted to your department as a single PDF document by the above stated deadline in the order stated below. INCOMPLETE applications will not be considered.

- Application Form
- PDF copies of all post-secondary education transcripts, with GPA conversion scales included (all undergraduate and, if applicable, graduate transcripts)
- Two referees' reports ([Referee Report Form 2026-27](#)) at least one of which must be academic
 - Fill in the highlighted **Candidate Information** and **Instructions for Referees** sections of the form before forwarding to referees, ensuring that the program contact details are accurate and appropriate.
 - Completed Referee Forms should be sent **by the referee directly to the nominating program contact listed on the form**.
- An up-to-date CV (max. 2 pages)
- A 500-word statement in paragraph form, clearly outlining:
 - the student's reason for pursuing a master's in AI (passion and purpose),
 - relevant AI-related experience (past practice and application), **and**
 - career aspirations (dreams and goals).
 - [Student Statement Template 2026-27](#)
- [Approved Study Plan Template 2026-27](#)
- If the nominee holds less than an A- (3.7/4.0 GPA) average in the last 2 years of full-time equivalent study, a written rationale for consideration to outline extenuating circumstances or demonstrate relevant AI experience, must be included.
 - May be written either by the nominee or by the nominating administration
 - Students with a GPA lower than B+ in their last 2 years of full-time equivalent study will not be included in the competition
 - Must be one page or less and added to the end of the nomination package
- [Self-Identification Questionnaire 2026-27 Form](#)

APPLICANT'S DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND SIGNATURE

1. I confirm that the information provided in this application package is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
2. I understand that I am responsible for providing all required documentation as indicated in the application instructions or as directed by the administering office, and that if I do not submit the required documentation/information I may be disqualified for consideration of this award.
3. I understand that the collection of personal information provided in this application package is used solely for determining my eligibility for this award. Information submitted during the application process will be protected, used, and released in compliance with Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (R.S.O. 1990, c. F31) and the University of Waterloo's policies.
4. I acknowledge that if my enrolment or supervision changes in the term or for the intended period of support for which this award is provided, or if any details change that would disqualify me from continuing to hold this award, I will immediately notify the Engineering Graduate Studies Office, as I understand that it may result in a reassessment and/or cancellation of my award. All details provided in the application are subject to verification by the awarding office.
5. If selected as an award recipient, I authorize the University to release any non-financial application details to the award donor/sponsor/agency, such as name, program/plan/level of enrollment, value of award, as well as supporting documentation (e.g., letter, resume), where applicable.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____