

## **London Police Association Indigenous Community Impact Award**

Awarded annually to a self-identified Indigenous (First Nations, Métis or Inuit) graduate student enrolled in a Master's program in Sociology who is conducting applied research on issues of power and justice which could include a focus on issues such as policing practice, legal and justice practices, the inter-relation or work across core social services, mental health, community wellbeing, and/or Indigenous applications of justice.

Candidates must submit a one-page statement outlining their proposed research related to these areas by January 15th to the Department Office in Sociology. The recipient will be selected by the Department of Sociology Graduate Committee, with at least one representative holding membership in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. The recipient may continue to receive the award for a second year. This award was established with a generous donation from the London Police Association.

In order to be truly effective and deliver on its core values, policing and the practice of justice is necessarily dependent on the relationships it has with communities. The values of communities and the values of policing should be mutually understood and respected. This is not and has not always been the case especially for Indigenous communities. Establishing this award within the Department of Sociology will provide the London Police Association with the opportunity to learn from within our Indigenous communities.

Value: 1 at \$2,500