

Tibor Barsony Responsible Gambling Award

Tibor Barsony was the founder of the Responsible Gambling Council (RGC) and an advocate for the prevention of problematic gambling. His life's work was spent persuading governments, regulators, operators, treatment agencies and social service providers about the significance that problem gambling has on individuals and communities. As a result, for the past 35 years, policies, responsible gambling standards, research and treatment emerged to prevent and reduce problem gambling and provide support to individuals who are experiencing challenges.

This award is presented each year in honour of Tibor Barsony's legacy to a student who has demonstrated outstanding academic contributions in the field of gambling studies.

This award will be granted to a student to conduct a **rapid evidence assessment (REA)** on a topic related to the *prevention* of problem gambling. The research project must be completed over the Winter 2023 term (16 weeks).

Award Value: \$5,000

Eligibility:

- Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada
- Registered, full-time (as defined by the student's institution), in a recognized Canadian university program (undergraduate and graduate programs accepted). Undergraduate applicants must have completed a minimum of 4 full-time academic terms.
- Have obtained at least a 'B' (as defined by your University) cumulative grade point average
- Must not currently hold a student research award valued at \$5,000 CAD or more
- Must be or have intentions to be involved in gambling research focused on harm prevention (involvement in treatment-focused research is not eligible)
- Research background in mental health and addictions, public health, and health promotion is also considered an asset.

Application Criteria

1. A proposal outlining:
 - a. A description of the proposed review (600 words max.), including a statement on how the review will contribute to the gambling harm prevention literature (i.e., how it differs from previously published review papers in the field).
 - b. A summary of your gambling research interests/involvement (300 words max.).
 - c. A declaration on how the award will support your academic development (200 words max.)
2. Your CV or resume
3. Your academic transcripts
4. Two reference letters (from individuals familiar with your research capabilities and interests)

The logo for RGC Discovery 2022. It features the letters 'RGC' in a bold, dark blue font, with a green diamond shape behind the 'G'. To the right of 'RGC' is the word 'DISCOVERY' in a bold, dark blue font, followed by '2022' in a green font.

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Submission

Instructions

We invite interested students to submit their applications by 11:59 pm EST on **October 21st, 2022.**

The application proposal, CV/resume, and academic transcripts must be submitted via email to discovery@rgco.org with Tibory Barsony Award and the student's name in the subject line. Reference letters must also be sent directly to discovery@rgco.org from your referees. Applications will be accepted in .pdf or .doc format.

If you have questions about your eligibility or the application process, please reach out to Melissa at MelissaS@rgco.org ahead of the submission deadline.