

University of Toronto

TORONTO 5, CANADA

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

January 16th, 1930.

Dear Mr President:

The Committee of the School of Graduate Studies which determines the award of the open post-graduate fellowships, offered by the University of Toronto, is obliged to make its decisions on the basis of such statements and testimonials as may be sent in by the individual applicants. As a rule these are sufficient, but at times selection is difficult, and in these cases the Committee would be aided by an official expression of opinion from the University or Faculty in which the undergraduate work of the applicant was taken, as to his or her fitness to profit by a course of graduate study.

Do you consider it feasible or advisable to require that each application for an open fellowship should be accompanied by an official statement that the candidate's University or Faculty approves of his or her candidacy?

If such a requirement is made it must be on the understanding that the failure of any approved applicant to receive a fellowship does not in any way reflect upon the approving University, since the Committee in making its awards is obliged, other things being equal, to take into account an equitable distribution of the available fellowships among the various Canadian Universities.

Yours truly,

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Dean of the School of Graduate Studies.

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G.,

McGill University