

# 2021-2022 POST-GRADUATE DEBT REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE (PGDRA) PROGRAM APPLICATION

- Please complete all required fields in this fillable PDF form.
- If any of the required information is missing, we will not able to process your application.
- This application form assumes that you have reviewed the detailed information on eligibility in the PGDRA Handbook.
- Detailed information on the supporting documents required can be found at the end of this form.
- Please ensure this PDF application form has the file name "PGDRA Application Form" (without the quotes) when submitting. Supporting documents must also be submitted in PDF format.
- Please email this completed application form and all supporting documents to pgdra@allard.ubc.ca with the word "PGDRA\_APPLICATION" in the subject line.
   Submissions must be received between May 1, 2021 and end of day May 31, 2021.

Your privacy is important to us and UBC will keep your information confidential. Your personal information is collected under the authority of section 26(c) of the British Columbia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. UBC will use this information only for the purposes of the Post-Graduate Debt Repayment Assistance Program. Questions about the collection of your information may be referred to the PGDRA program administrator (pgdra@allard.ubc.ca).

#### **Help and Contact Information**

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Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM PST

#### I. RETURNING APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- 1. Did you apply for a PGDRA benefit for the previous year?
- 2. Are you applying for a PGDRA benefit for this year?<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> If you check Yes, please continue fill in the rest of the form. If you check No, please only fill in <u>Section III</u>, <u>"PERSONAL INFORMATION"</u> and <u>Total Gross Family Income for Previous Year (Line 15000 of CRA Individual Tax and Benefit Form)</u> in Section V, "INCOME INFORMATION".

#### **II. ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONS**

The PGDRA program is only available to graduates who completed all three years
of the JD program at the Allard School of Law (with the exception of participation
in the UBC Go Global exchange program).

Did you transfer into or out of the JD program at the Allard School of Law?

The PGDRA program is not available to JD/MBA students or JD students who
participate in any joint legal education arrangement, including the JD/LLM
agreement with Melbourne Law School, the law degree partnership program with
Tsinghua University, or the joint legal education agreement with the University of
Hong Kong.

Did you participate in any of these programs?

- 3. Were you a permanent resident or a Canadian citizen when you started the JD program at UBC?
- 4. Do you have Canadian federal and/or provincial student loan amounts in active repayment, and/or outstanding commercial professional student line of credit amounts borrowed from a Canadian financial institution and repayable in Canadian dollars, both from the law school enrolment period?
- 5. Have you cleared all amounts owed to UBC?
- 6. Do you reside and work in Canada?

## **III. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

APPLICANT:	
First Name	Last Name(s)
UBC Student ID	Year of Graduation  The eligibility period for applying is 1 to 10 years after year of graduation
Date of Birth	Marital Status
	,, Canada City Province Postal Code Country
Mailing Address <sup>2</sup> Street City Province Postal Code Country	
Street, city, Fromitte, Fostal code, country	adian Address, please indicate. Otherwise, please leave blank.
Phone Number	Email Address
Are you eligible for any student loan repayment as government student loan Repayment Assistance P  If yes, have you applied? If no, please leave	Program?
SPOUSE/COMMON-LAW PARTNER (Leave blank if	
First Name	Last Name(s)
Phone Number	Email Address
CHILDREN <sup>3</sup> (Leave blank if no children):  3 Childcare costs are calculated according to the maximum Child Care Expense Deduction (Line 21400 on the Income Township Number of eligible children <sup>4</sup> born in 2005 to 2014 with an impairment in physical or mental funct amount cannot be claimed)  Number of eligible children <sup>4</sup> born in 2015 or la amount cannot be claimed	(and born in 2004 or earlier, cion, for whom the disability
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 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Please see the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) website for more information on child eligibility criteria.

#### IV. EMPOLYMENT INFORMATION

Area of Employment **Employment Status** <sup>5</sup> If you do not work full-time or in a law-related field, you may be eligible to apply under selected special circumstances. Please consult the PGDRA Handbook and select any special circumstance categories for which you are eligible below. Otherwise, please leave blank. Special Circumstances<sup>5</sup> Most Recent Employment Dates From: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_ / \_\_ To: \_\_\_ / \_\_ / \_\_ (If current, please leave end date blank) Most Recent Total Annual Compensation \$ Most Recent Employer Type V. INCOME INFORMATION Total Expected Annual Gross Family Income \$ <sup>6</sup> If you applied and were eligible for a PGDRA for the previous year, even if you did not qualify for a benefit, please provide the following information. Otherwise, please leave blank. Total Gross Family Income for Previous Year (Line 15000 of CRA Individual Tax and Benefit Form)<sup>6</sup> Annual Law Society Membership Fee (If covered by employer, please leave blank) \$ **Household Size** Must correspond with applicant's Permanent Canadian Address VI. LOAN INFORMATION (Leave blank if not applicable): Annual pre-law government student loan debt obligations Pre-Law Government Student Loan Amount Remaining, at Time of Application Repayment Term (Months), at Time of Application Annual Interest Rate (%) **Government Annual debt repayment obligations** Government Student Loan Amount Remaining, at Time of Application Repayment Term (Months), at Time of Application Annual Interest Rate (%) **Commercial Annual debt repayment obligations** Commercial Student Loan Amount Remaining, at Time of Application

Annual Interest Rate (%)

Repayment Term (Months), at Time of Application

## **VII. CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the information provided in my application is to consistent with the policies outlined in the PGDRA Handbooprovision of false or inaccurate information will result in telepGDRA program. Outstanding amounts must be paid back in disqualification.	ok to the best of my knowledge. The rmination of any eligibility under the
Signature of the applicant	Date

## **REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

## 1. Applicant's expected annual income

Employment Income	Document(s)
Salary/wage employees	Letter from employer confirming employment (including articling/clerkship employment) and annual salary/wage
Self-employed	Self-reported annual income
Currently completing articles (or articling requirements)	Letter regarding confirmed employment and annual salary after articling, for any and all employment within the year of application

## 2. Spouse/Common-law partner's expected annual income (If applicable)

Employment Income	Document(s)
Salary/wage employees	Letter from employer confirming employment and annual salary/wage
Self-employed	Self-reported income

## 3. Returning applicants' annual income

Employment Income	Document(s)
All returning applicants	Copies of:
	<ul> <li>Individual Tax Return;</li> <li>employment T-4 forms; and</li> <li>Notice of Tax Assessment</li> </ul> for the Tax Year prior to the year of application

**For returning applicants, loan documents must show that the entire PGDRA benefit previously received was used to pay their educational loans.** In other words, the amount they paid on government student loans and/or commercial professional student lines of credit must be equal to (or greater than) the PGDRA benefit received.

# 4. Annual debt repayment obligations

Loan Type	Document(s)
Government Student Loan(s)	Copies of:
	<ul> <li>consolidated Student Loan and Repayment form agreement(s) for all pre-law and law school loans</li> <li>annual loan statement(s) showing the current loan balance, amount of monthly payments, and proof of payment</li> <li>all notification letters for student loans/grants from the period of enrollment in the UBC JD program</li> </ul>
Commercial (Professional) Student Line(s) of Credit	Copies of:
	<ul> <li>consolidated loan and repayment form agreement(s) for all law school loans</li> <li>annual loan statements from the period of enrollment in the UBC JD program, showing amounts borrowed</li> <li>current annual loan statement(s) showing the current loan balance, amount of monthly payments, and proof of payment</li> </ul>

# 5. Special Circumstances (If applicable)

Special Circumstance	Document(s)
Disability	Copies of (as applicable):  • T-2201 Disability Tax Credit Certificate  • Repayment Assistance for Borrowers with a Permanent Disability (RAP-PD) documentation  • Severe Permanent Disability Benefit
Maternity/parental leave	Record of Employment, for verification of leave status
Graduate studies	<ul> <li>Proof of enrolment</li> <li>Description of graduate program and its relation to law</li> </ul>
Self-employment (part-time)	Statement demonstrating that part-time status is temporary and non-voluntary (e.g., related to the process of building up a full-time practice)

#### 6. Childcare expenses (If applicable)

Applicants must provide a bill or signed letter from childcare provider (specifically identifying child(ren) cared for), as well as documents verifying the age of any child(ren) claimed. The maximum amount that can be claimed for childcare will be the CRA maximum childcare deduction amounts for Line 214 of the Individual Tax and Benefit Form.

#### 7. Confirmation of law-related work (if not employed as a lawyer)

i.e., copy of position advertisement stating JD qualification requirement/preference; job description; or statement by employer.

#### 8. Law society membership fee (if not covered by employer)

Copy of receipt required; does not include practice insurance premiums.

9. Student Loan Repayment Assistance Program (if an applicant qualifies)

Copy of RAP documentation.