

The James R. Mallory Research Grant for the Study of Parliament (2024-25)

Amount

Up to \$5,000

Research Period

One year (an extension may be granted under certain conditions)

Deadline

March 31, 2025

The Canadian Study of Parliament Group (CSPG) – a non-profit, non-partisan organization that brings together parliamentary experts, academics, and public servants with an interest in the role, function, and reform of parliamentary institutions – is pleased to announce the 2024-25 competition for the James R. Mallory Research Grant for the Study of Parliament.

The Mallory Grant seeks to support ongoing scholarly interest in the parliamentary system of government. Its purpose is to sponsor original research about Parliament, broadly understood, including projects that depart from or challenge traditional topics and methodologies of parliamentary study in Canada.

We encourage analysts from parliamentary institutions, academics, journalists, and other research professionals to submit a research proposal. CSPG believes in the inclusion of diverse voices, including those of individuals who are Indigenous, Black, people of colour, women, and 2SLGBTQI+, and encourages applicants with these identities or who are members of other equity-seeking communities to apply. Special consideration will be given to early career scholars and researchers.

The grant will allow the recipient to fund research activities, such as hiring research assistant(s), collecting and processing data, travelling for research purposes (including data collection and research dissemination) and publishing results.

The application will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- the quality and feasibility of the research proposal
- the relevance of the proposal to the study of parliamentary institutions and debates surrounding them
- the necessity and appropriateness of the proposed budget
- the applicant's demonstrated interest in the parliamentary system as indicated by previous publications and research or other relevant activity
- the relevance of the project(s) envisaged as part of the research.

The CSPG expects the grant recipient to produce at least one scholarly project no later than one year after receiving the initial funding. The method of dissemination is at the recipient's discretion (peer-reviewed article, monograph, book chapter, teaching module, etc.) and should be described in the proposal. In addition, the recipient will be required to provide a document describing the main results of their research, which will be published on the CSPG website. This research summary will be translated into the other official language prior to publication.

Research proposals must be submitted electronically to info@cspg-gcep.ca in Word or PDF (1-inch margins, 12-point font, double-spaced, 3 pages maximum, including a 1-page proposed budget) no later than **March 31, 2025**, and accompanied by the candidate's curriculum vitae. Proposals in either English or French are welcome.

The competition for the grant is open to Canadian citizens and permanent residents who are not enrolled at a post-secondary institution. The CSPG expects the recipient to credit the Mallory Grant when publishing results.

The grant is named in honour of James R. Mallory. The late Professor Mallory was a member of the Department of Political Science at McGill University as well as a founder, former president and long-time member of the Canadian Study of Parliament Group. He was a leading scholar of parliamentary government and wrote many sound and widely read analyses of the institution and issues related to it. His text, The Structure of Canadian Government, is still consulted by students of Canadian government.