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Have you demonstrated ingenuity, determination and leadership ? Have you become involved in your community ? Have you participated in a project that has had a significant impact in your community or specific field of activity ?

**You are an ideal  
Forces AVENIR candidate !**

Forces AVENIR aims to recognize, honour and promote the commitment of students in projects that contribute to the development of socially conscious, active and responsible citizens who are both dedicated to their community and open to the world.

## **GRANTS**

### **AVENIR PROJECT**

The finalists will receive **\$2,000**  
and the winners will receive **\$4,000**.

### **PERSONALITY AVENIR – UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATES**

The finalists will receive **\$2,000**  
and the winners will receive **\$4,000**.

### **PERSONALITY AVENIR PAR EXCELLENCE**

The winner will receive a **\$15,000** grant.

### **AVENIR PROJECT PAR EXCELLENCE**

The winning project will receive  
a **\$15,000** grant.

# CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY

## CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUALS

Be registered as full-time students for at least one semester during the period of eligibility (**30 March 2014 to 31 March 2015**);

Be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program;

Not have been paid to participate;

Be no more than 35 years of age;

Not be former recipients of a Forces AVENIR university award in the Personality AVENIR category.

## CRITERIA FOR PROJECTS

The project may be carried out as part of a university undergraduate program worth a maximum of three credits;

The project must not take place in context of a course or a research program which is part of the requirements for obtaining a graduate degree;

At least 80% of the students involved in the project must meet the criteria for individuals;

The project must be initiated, made operational or be carried out during the period of eligibility (**30 March 2014 to 31 March 2015**);

The project must not have already received a Forces AVENIR university award in the Project AVENIR category.



# APPLICATION FILES

All application files must be completed online following the procedure provided below. You have until **31 March 2015** to register.

## IDENTIFICATION

### OPENING A FILE

Go to the Forces AVENIR website ( [www.forcesavenir.qc.ca](http://www.forcesavenir.qc.ca) ) and click on *University Program*, then on *Registration* on the left side of the screen ;

Press *Click here* under *Registration* ;

Click on *Create an account* ;

Choose a personal password, which will enable you to access your file. There are no restrictions as to the choice of password.

### RETRIEVING YOUR APPLICATION FILE

Go to the Forces AVENIR website ( [www.forcesavenir.qc.ca](http://www.forcesavenir.qc.ca) ) and click on *University Program*, then on *Registration* on the left side of the screen ;

Press *Click here* under *View my profile* ;

Enter your previously selected username and password.

## ONLINE REGISTRATION\*

### PROCEDURE

Enter all the requested information. You can only register one username per project or candidate submitted ;

Click on *Submit* and fill out the rest of the form. If you are unable to complete your application file, you can save it and then retrieve it at a later date ;

Complete all the necessary forms for your category listed on page 5 ;

Attach all the required documents listed on page 5 ;

Once you have filled out and attached all the forms, click on *Send and Application confirmation*. Your file will be sent to the Forces AVENIR respondent at your university so that it can be checked to ensure that you meet all the conditions of eligibility established by Forces AVENIR.

\* Please note that when you begin filling out your application form, the length of the user session is limited to one hour. To avoid losing any data already entered, make a habit of regularly saving your form.

No paper copies will be accepted.

## AVENIR PROJECT

Application files must include various elements.

### TO BE COMPLETED ONLINE:

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La fiche de présentation du projet;

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Le formulaire d'inscription AVENIR Projet engagé;

### TO BE ATTACHED TO FILE:

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Three letters of recommendation supporting the application of your project;

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A press review about the project's impact on the community (if applicable);

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Ten photographs of the project and its members with the names of the people in the photos in order ( showing for example how the project has evolved, the candidates in action and interaction between participants ).

## PERSONALITY AVENIR – UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATES

Application files must include various elements.

### TO BE COMPLETED ONLINE:

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The project presentation form;

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The Personality AVENIR – Undergraduates and Graduates application form;

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An essay in answer to the following question : «Based on your commitment and your studies, how do you perceive your role as a citizen in the society of the future?».

### TO BE ATTACHED TO FILE:

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A detailed curriculum vitae;

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Three letters of recommendation supporting the candidate's application;

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Transcripts for all university studies (undergraduate and graduate studies, if applicable);

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Ten photographs of the candidate bearing witness to his/her involvement.

# SELECTION CRITERIA

## AVENIR PROJECTS

TANGIBLE RESULTS	30 POINTS
RELEVANCE	15 POINTS
INNOVATIVE NATURE	15 POINTS
INFLUENCE	15 POINTS
ORGANIZATION'S SCOPE	10 POINTS
EDUCATIONAL IMPACT	5 POINTS
PURSUIT OF FUNDING	5 POINTS
QUALITY OF THE LANGUAGE (structure, grammar and argumentation)	5 POINTS
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 POINTS</b>

## PERSONALITY AVENIR – UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATES

BALANCE BETWEEN SOCIAL COMMITMENT, ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND PERSONAL QUALITIES	20 POINTS
RESPONSABILITIES AND LEADERSHIP	20 POINTS
ACHIEVEMENTS AND TANGIBLE RESULTS	20 POINTS
CONSISTENCY IN ALL SPECIFIED CRITERIA THROUGHOUT THE COURSE OF STUDIES (over a long period of time)	20 POINTS
MULTIDISCIPLINARY NATURE	15 POINTS
QUALITY OF THE LANGUAGE (structure, grammar and argumentation)	5 POINTS
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 POINTS</b>

## AVENIR PAR EXCELLENCE

The recipients of the Personality Par Excellence and Project Par Excellence awards are determined based not only on the same criteria as the other categories but also on the exceptional nature of the application file.

A separate application is not required for these two awards.

### IMPORTANT FOR ALL THE CATEGORIES

- A project can only be submitted in one category ;
- The contact information for the candidate or the project's spokesperson must be valid until December 2015 ;
- A file that does not meet the established criteria and expected standard of quality in the presentation and the language may be rejected. Forces AVENIR reserves the right to forward additional information to the juries ;
- The grants for the AVENIR Par Excellence awards are no cumulative.

# SELECTION PROCESS

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## THE UNIVERSITIES

Each university will make a first selection and will submit a maximum of two applications per category.

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## THE SPECIALIST JURIES

For each category, Forces Avenir will set up a jury of three people recognized in their field. These juries will select the recipients of the grants and Avenir trophies.

### IMPORTANT

In order to determine the three finalists and the recipient of the Avenir award for each of the categories, the juries will call the representatives of the four best applications for an interview. In regard to the Personality - Undergraduates and Graduates category, the jury for this category will call the representatives of the ten best applications for an interview in order to select the six finalists and the three recipients of Avenir awards.

The interviews will take place in June 2015. The candidates are responsible for attending these interviews. For the Personality Avenir categories, the juries will call the candidate for an interview. For the Project Avenir categories, they will call the project's spokesperson or one of its members.

**THE REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THESE INTERVIEWS, EITHER IN PERSON, BY PHONE OR BY VIDEOCONFERENCE.**

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## THE GRAND JURY

Finally, a Grand Jury made up of a number of key figures in society representing different fields will determine the recipients of the Avenir Par Excellence grants and trophies.



# CATEGORIES



## COMMITTED PROJECT AVENIR

These categories aim to recognize, honour and promote students or groups of students who have distinguished themselves by carrying out projects relating to one of the following fields.

### **ARTS, LITERATURE AND CULTURE AVENIR**

Project pertaining to the performing arts, visual arts, cinema, arts and crafts, literature, architecture, design or heritage.

### **ENTREPRENEURSHIP, BUSINESS AND ECONOMY AVENIR**

Project relating to economic growth or to the creation, expansion or recovery of a business venture.

### **ENVIRONMENT AVENIR**

Project concerned with the environment, whether it promotes environmental protection, recycling, reuse, recuperation, the sustainable development of natural resources or environmental education.

### **HEALTH AVENIR**

Project connected with health education and prevention, with research or improvement in fields such as nursing, diet, fitness, mental health and medicine.

### **MUTUAL AID, PEACE AND JUSTICE AVENIR**

Project aimed at promoting community service, humanitarian cooperation, the respect for human rights or the establishment and promotion of a just society.

### **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AVENIR**

Project of a scientific or technological nature, which involves research, experimentation or popularization in the field of science and technology.

### **SOCIETY, COMMUNICATIONS AND EDUCATION AVENIR**

Project of a social nature linked with communications, education or political action and which addresses social issues or public concerns.





## PERSONALITY AVENIR – UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATES

### PERSONALITY AVENIR - UNDERGRADUATES AWARDS

The Personality AVENIR - Undergraduates awards will be presented to three undergraduate students who have distinguished themselves through a balance of academic, personal and social achievements, as well as by their leadership and the concrete impact and consistency of their commitment throughout their studies.

### PERSONALITY AVENIR - GRADUATES AWARD

The Personality AVENIR - Graduates award will be presented to a graduate student who has achieved distinction through a balance of academic, personal and social achievements, as well as by their leadership and the concrete impact and consistency of his/her commitment throughout his/her studies.



## AVENIR PAR EXCELLENCE

The Personality AVENIR Par Excellence and AVENIR Project Par Excellence award recipients will be selected from amongst all the candidates. The winners will have distinguished themselves from all the other candidates and the student or group of students will have demonstrated a constant pursuit of excellence in all their activities.

### PHOTOGRAPHS (TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS)

- High quality colour photographs;
- In JPEG format;
- Minimum size of 6 in x 10 in and maximum of 8½ in x 11 in;
- Minimum resolution of 600 dpi;
- Copyright-free photographs.

It is important that we have different types of photographs, that we be able to see the candidates' faces and their expression. **Please note that these photographs will be used to promote the candidates in the media and in Forces AVENIR's communications tools.** They will not be used as part of the selection process but are very important in making known your involvement to the general public.

# PERSONS IN CHARGE OF THE PROGRAM AT EACH PARTICIPATING UNIVERSITY

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A FORCES AVENIR PRESENTATION



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