

ELIZABETH TOWER FACULTY AWARD 2026–27

Research, Study, or Presentation in or about Canada

In 2004, the University of Alaska Anchorage announced the creation of the Elizabeth Tower Endowment for Canadian studies. The goal of this endowment is to increase the visibility of Canada at UAA and in the community and to improve opportunities for UAA students wanting to study in or about Canada.

Amount: Up to \$5,000.

Activities: May include, but not limited to, archival or other research in Canada, development of Canadian related resources at UAA, or attending a Canadian or Canadian studies conference, or a conference with significant Canadian content. Tower Endowment Funds may also be used to bring scholars and speakers of interest to Canadian studies to the University or to develop or promote studies related to Canada within a department or program, including support for student activities. Funding is available to faculty from all disciplines.

These funds will be made available on a case-by-case basis to faculty who have demonstrated an interest in Canada and who will develop Canadian content in their courses. Recipients will be required to present or report on their activities in a public forum.

Application Deadline: October 30, 2026 (5 pm)

Application Requirements:

Letter to the members of the Elizabeth Tower Endowment Committee, which must include:

- Name, e-mail, department, and position at UAA.
- Description of your interest in Canadian studies or Canada.
- Description of the project you wish to pursue.
- Explanation of how this project will advance the studies about Canada at UAA.
- Estimated budget with justification. Funds may not be used for salary.
- All funds must be expended by December 31, 2027.

If applying for funds for travel to a conference in Canada, presentation of a paper with substantial Canadian content is required. Travel to just attend a conference in Canada is not sufficient.

Before submitting the application, applicants must consult with uaa_casgrantsupport@alaska.edu to make sure the budget proposed is in accordance with UA policies.

Post-Award Acknowledgment and Report: Tower Endowment support must be acknowledged and recognized in all promotional materials, publications, etc. Recipients must submit a brief

report outlining the results and stating how the funds helped advance Canadian Studies at UAA.

Submit application materials by e-mail to:

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Applications will be acknowledged upon receipt. Incomplete and late applications will be rejected.