

The *Fondation du Collège de l'Immobilier* Launches its Professional Development Grants Program!

The Professional Development Grants Program is open to any person or group working in the real estate field or interested in the field who, through an innovative project, can contribute to the development or advancement of real estate industry professions. The grants, valued at \$5,000 to \$10,000, are given out annually on the recommendation of a jury composed of real estate industry experts and related experts.

New in 2010, this program aims to provide financial support for projects that are deemed to have a sufficiently beneficial impact on the real estate community. For example: a training activity following the implementation of a new product or service; a survey on real estate practices; a publication about real estate news; a development project in a foreign land that includes the dissemination of knowledge upon return; etc.

Eligibility Requirements

- Work in residential or commercial real estate brokerage, or in mortgage brokerage or have pertinent experience
- Or study in a related field or work on projects that are related to one of the three above-mentioned areas
- Commit to carrying out the submitted project within one year following its acceptance by the jury
- Commit to produce a report after the completion of the project, that will be distributed, in whole or in part, by the *Fondation du Collège de l'immobilier du Québec* or by the *Collège de l'immobilier du Québec*.

Steps

A person or group that wants to submit a request for a professional development grant must ensure that they meet the program's eligibility requirements, fill out the application form and provide the required supporting documents (if applicable). The application must be signed and submitted to the jury within the required deadline. Incomplete applications will be automatically rejected. For the awarding of 2010 scholarships, which will take place on Monday, October 4, the deadline for submitting an application is August 31, 2010, before 5 p.m.

The mailing address for the jury is : **Madame Isabelle Jean of the Collège de l'immobilier du Québec at 600, chemin du Golf, Île-des-Sœurs (Québec) H3E 1A8**. All documents must be sent by mail.

Selection Criteria

- Must meet all eligibility requirements
- Quality of the project
- Benefits of the project for the real estate industry
- Quality of the application
- Language quality
- Must meet the deadline for submitting the project

Grant Process

People or groups who are awarded a professional development grant will be informed by letter in the six weeks following the deadline for submitting projects. At this time, the terms of payment will be determined with the recipients and may vary according to the type of project and requirements for the final report. The grant is not transferable.