

Walking Kokum's Way Award

A-11

LONG TITLE	A Policy Respecting an Award for a Student Committed to their Roots and Indigenous Legacy.	DATE OF ENACTMENT	30 October 2023
		LAST AMENDED	
REFERENCE No.	A-11	NEXT REVIEW	June 2026
CATEGORY	Award	COMPETENT CHAMBER	Council

PREAMBLE

The Walking Kokum's Way Award is presented annually to an outstanding Carleton undergraduate student who is in good academic standing, has demonstrated outstanding involvement in the CUSA and Carleton community, and contributes to efforts to advance truth and reconciliation and Indigenous legacy. Preference should be given to a recipient who self-identifies as First Nations, Inuit, or Métis. "Kokum" is an Oji-Cree word for grandmother. Grandmothers are part of our shared roots. They shape a legacy for their children and grandchildren, impart traditions to carry on, and encourage others to live up to their full potential. This award is meant for a student who emphasizes commitment to their roots, as well as commitment to Indigenous legacy, therefore they walk "Kokum's way." This policy shall be reviewed by April 15th of each year by the Awards Committee.

CANDIDACY

- 1 The candidate shall have shown a high degree of academic application and achievement.
- 2 The candidate shall have demonstrated outstanding involvement in the University, the Association, and/or the community through means such as, but not limited to, volunteering and participation in extracurricular activities. The candidate shall also have contributed to efforts to advance truth and reconciliation and demonstrated a commitment to their roots and Indigenous legacy.
- 3 Preference shall be given to a candidate who self-identifies as First Nations, Inuit, or Métis.
- 4 The candidate shall have attended the University for at least two semesters.

NOMINATIONS

- 5** Nomination of candidates for this award must be announced in writing and shall list fully, and with reference, the qualifications of the nominee.
- 6** Nominations for the award shall be addressed to the CUSA Awards Committee care of the Carleton University Students' Association.

THE AWARD

- 7** One (1) recipient.

SCHEDULE OF AMENDMENTS

DATE AMENDED	MOVED	SECONDED	SUMMARY
30 October 2023	M. Denault	M. Huynh	(C-44) Adopted by Council.