

OFFICE OF RESEARCH SERVICES Funding Opportunities Bulletin January 2, 2020

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N.B. If you would like an in-depth review of your proposal, please submit it to the appropriate grant officer <u>one month</u> in advance of the agency deadline.

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CIHR Funding Opportunity Database		http://bit.ly/2VJ7Djv
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Agency – Program	LOI/NOI/ Reg ORS Deadline	LOI/NOI/ Reg Agency Deadline	Full ORS Deadline	Full Agency Deadline	Link
Genome Canada, Genomic Applications Partnership Program (GAPP) – Round 18		28-Oct-19 Draft EOI due to Ontario Genomics	TBD	O3-Mar-20 Draft Supplementary Proposal due to OG	http://bit.ly/2ZP5fqe
		15-Jan-20 Final EOI due to OG		O6-Apr-20 Final Supplementary Proposal due to OG	
CIHR, Catalyst Grant – Impacts of financial and organizational restructuring of public health	29-Nov-19	03-Dec-19	03-Jan-20	07-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/2r8So5s
Cancer Research Society, 2020 Operating Grants	29-Nov-19	04-Dec-19	10-Feb-20	12-Feb-20	http://bit.ly/32fWt4U
Healthy Cities Research Training Platform (jointly funded by CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC)	05-Dec-19	10-Dec-19	TBD	27-Aug-20	http://bit.ly/2nzAxTV
SSHRC/NSERC/CIHR, Knowledge Synthesis Grant - Living Within The Earth's Carrying Capacity			02-Jan-20	07-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/32ZtgMF
Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada – Contributions Program			01-Jan-20	06-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/2DvzM2s
Ontario Council on Articulation and Transfer (ONCAT) Research Grant			08-Jan-20	13-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/2rYLL6a
New French Embassy in Canada – Mourou-Strickland Mobility Program			13-Jan-20	15-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/Canada- France Mobility Progr am
New The Canadian Foundation for Legal Research – Research Grants			14-Jan-20	17-Jan-20	https://cflr- fcrj.ca/research-grants/
New Global Affairs Canada: Canada-China Scholars' Exchange Program			20-Jan-20	23-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/canada- china_scholarships
New Mitacs-Lab2Market – Research Commercialization Program *Please notify brilliant@ontariotechu.ca as soon as possible if you are interested in applying*			28-Jan-20	31-Jan-20	http://lab2market.ca/p rogram-details/
SSHRC: Insight Development Grants		n/a	8-Jan-20 (full review)	03-Feb-20	http://bit.ly/2XZhnEC
			29-Jan-20 (admin review)		

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Ontario Agri-Food Research Initiative			20-Jan-20	23-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/37YxmH U
SSHRC- Connection Grant			29-Jan-20	01-Feb-20	http://bit.ly/2suabF2
New SSHRC and Department of Canadian Heritage - Joint Initiative for Digital Citizen Research (Connection Grant)			29-Jan-20	01-Feb-20	http://bit.ly/IDCR- Connection_Grants
New			29-Jan-20	03-Feb-20	https://bit.ly/2TNk8Xm
Parkinson Canada – Pilot Project Program					
SSHRC Partnership Grants- Stage 1			20-Jan-20	15-Feb-20	http://bit.ly/37Py3TL
			(full review)		
			10-Feb-20 (admin review)		
Canadian Blood Services - Blood Efficiency Accelerator Award Program			21-Jan-20	24-Jan-20	http://bit.ly/35mVSQ H
Canadian Science Policy Fellowship			31-Jan-20	05-Feb-20	http://bit.ly/2q1Hq1t
New Canadian Blood Services - 2020 Intramural Research Grant Program Competition		NOI: 7-Feb-20	6-April-20	10-April-20	http://bit.ly/CBS 2020 Research Grants
New Burroughs Wellcome Fund: Collaborative Research Travel Grants			10-Feb-20	12-Feb-20	https://bit.ly/2Gv79mr
Banting Research Foundation: Discovery Award and			11-Feb-20	14-Feb-20	(21)
Discovery Award supported by Dystonia Medical Research Foundation					http://bit.ly/BantingD iscoveryAward
New Frontiers in Research Fund: 2020	NOI: 13-Feb-20	NOI: 18-Feb-20	TBD	18-Nov-20	http://bit.ly/2LLK9E8
Transformation Competition	LOI: TBD	LOI: 15-April-20			
Mitacs Elevate	06-Jan-20	08-Jan-20	17-Feb-20	19-Feb-20	http://bit.ly/2BdOryp
Spencer Foundation- Research Grants on Education: Small			27-Feb-20	03-Mar-20	http://bit.ly/2DvhQ8k
SSHRC Partnerships Engage Grant			10-Mar-20	15-Mar-20	http://bit.ly/20y1TE M
CIHR, Team Grant: Personalized Health	03-Oct-19	08-Oct-19	02-April-20	07-April-20	http://bit.ly/2Ylb1mv

New CIHR, Team Grant: Canada-EU Smart Living Environments – Transitions in Care (Canada-European International Cooperation on Smart Living Environments that Address Transitions in Care Challenges for Ageing People)	17-April-20	22-April-20	http://bit.ly/CIHR Canada- EU Smart Living Environments
SSHRC- Connection Grant	28-Apr-20	01-May-20	http://bit.ly/2suabF2
New Government of Canada – Accessible Technology Program	28-May-20	2-Jun-20	https://www.ic.gc.ca/ei c/site/118.nsf/eng/000 02.html
Canadian Space Agency		Various deadlines	http://bit.ly/2Xuxvgv
DND Innovation for Defence Excellence and Security (IDEaS) Program		Various deadlines	IDEaS website: http://bit.ly/2nGibRq Buy and sell: http://bit.ly/2piux2k
NSERC Alliance Grants Option 1 open for applications requesting \$150K or more annually from NSERC (now); \$30K or more (December 2, 2019); \$20-30K (December 11, 2019)		No Deadline	http://bit.ly/2GLF5fx
New Government of Canada – CanExport Innovation Funding		No Deadline	http://bit.ly/CanExport _Innovation_Funding
OCE, Voucher for Innovation and Productivity (VIP) Now open!		No Deadline	http://bit.ly/2mVmiZd
OCE, TalentEdge Internship Program Open for applications under the following streams: Next Generation Network Program (NGNP) Autonomous Vehicle Innovation Network (AVIN) ENCQOR 5G		No Deadline	https://bit.ly/20t1tgD
OCE, TalentEdge Fellowship Program Open for applications under the following streams: • Autonomous Vehicle Innovation Network (AVIN)		No Deadline	http://goo.gl/3PYZQv
OCE, ENCQOR 5G Academic Technology Development Program	Various	Various	https://bit.ly/2I0ffX5
AVIN, AV Research and Development Partnership Fund – Stream 1		No Deadline	http://bit.ly/2UQJvqn
Mitacs, Globalink Research Award *Currently closed for applications*	Apply 16 weeks before departure	No Deadline	https://bit.ly/2UHAT6o
Mitacs, Accelerate		No Deadline	<u>16</u>

Mitacs, Accelerate Fellowship		No Deadline	https://bit.ly/2Gn6R50
Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Explorations	Various	Various	https://bit.ly/2A7VwPe
Royal Bank of Canada, Youth Mental Health Project		No Deadline	https://bit.ly/2RvNr2X
CIHR, Rare Diseases: Models and Mechanisms Network		No Deadline	http://goo.gl/mO1hcs
Honda Canada Foundation, Grants		No Deadline	<u>15</u>
IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence, Call for Collaborative Research Proposals Between Canada		No Deadline	http://bit.ly/IC- IMPACTS
and India – Innovative Technology Demonstration Projects Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction, Quick Response Program		No Deadline	http://goo.gl/rrqQw6
Public Health Agency of Canada, Multi-sectoral		No Deadline	<u>17</u>
Partnerships to Promote Healthy Living and Prevent Chronic Disease			
The National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration Grant Application		Quarterly deadlines	<u>18</u>
CIHR, Partnerships for Health System Improvement		No Deadline	https://bit.ly/2ESeddt
Max Bell Foundation		No Deadline	http://bit.ly/20UcQzi
SOSCIP- Collaborative Projects		No Deadline	http://bit.ly/20vaKqG

Important information for all funding opportunities: A copy of the complete application package and a Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form with all required signatures must be submitted to the ORS contact by the internal deadline. Applicants must discuss all research funding applications with their Dean well in advance of the internal deadline. Applicants must be aware that eligibility guidelines differ depending on the sponsor agency. Please contact the Grants Officer assigned to your faculty if you have questions regarding your eligibility for this program. Your Faculty's Grants Officer is available to provide various levels of review for your application. Please contact us as early as possible so that we can offer support suited to your needs.

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Next phases of NSERC Alliance grants

Message from NSERC:

NSERC is pleased to announce the opening of the next phases of Alliance grants.

On December 2, 2019, Alliance grants will be open for Option 1 applications requesting over \$30,000 annually from NSERC. Applications requesting between \$20,000 and \$30,000 annually from NSERC will be accepted beginning on December 11, 2019.

Option 2 applications requesting support for up to 90% or 100% of the costs of the project will be accepted in early 2020. This component of the Alliance grants is intended for proposals that:

- aim at conducting natural science or engineering research that addresses an unmet societal need. This may include
 research affecting public goods, or that will address national or global issues that benefit more than a single or a few
 organizations, and where sources of funds are unavailable;
- connect partner organizations willing and able to overcome existing barriers to address these challenges and
 achieve results that can lead to a societal impact beyond economic benefits, and where an increased level of
 support from public funds is justified.

More details on the objectives and on the application and evaluation processes for Option 2 will follow soon.

For full details about Alliance grants and how to apply, please visit the Alliance webpage.

If you have any questions or comments about Alliance grants please contact <u>Alliance@nserc-crsng.gc.ca</u> and sign up on the <u>Alliance webpage</u> to be added to the mailing list so you can stay up to date on the latest information.

Mitacs: Opportunity for Postdoctoral Fellows

Message from Mitacs:

Mitacs is pleased to announce the return of two popular postdoctoral research and training programs this fall.

<u>Mitacs Elevate</u> provides two years of postdoc funding valued at \$60,000/year plus extensive customized professional development training (\$7,500/year non-cash value). Postdocs:

- Manage a long-term collaborative research project with a company or not-for-profit
- Develop business-ready skills in leadership, financial literacy, management and negotiation, project management, problem solving and much more
- Key deadlines
 - o January 8, 2020 Intent to apply and conflict of interest declaration deadline
 - o February 19, 2020 Final application deadline

For questions or more information, please contact us at elevate@mitacs.ca.

SSHRC, NSERC and CIHR Knowledge Synthesis Call on "Living Within the Earth's Carrying Capacity"

Message from SSHRC:

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) have launched a Knowledge Synthesis Grants competition to assess the state of research knowledge on the topic of "Living Within the Earth's Carrying Capacity."

Living within the Earth's Carrying Capacity is one of <u>16 new global future challenges</u> identified through SSHRC's <u>Imagining Canada's Future</u> initiative. All of the challenges cross multiple sectors and research disciplines, and require broad collaboration to address.

The deadline for applications is **January 7, 2020**. The online application will be available mid-November. For more information on the call for proposals, please contact: <u>ksg-ssc@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca</u>

Update on NSERC Research Partnerships applications

Message from NSERC:

Thank you for your ongoing patience as we continue to review the applications submitted to NSERC's Engage and Collaborative Research and Development (CRD) programs. As mentioned in previous communications, we have received a record number of applications prior to the closing of the programs. This unprecedented demand will result in longer decision times and lower success rates compared to previous years as we continue to operate with the same budget. We are working hard to assess all applications as quickly and diligently as possible.

The **Engage** program received half of a typical year's application intake within two months. Only applications that fully address each criterion will be supported. This will result in a success rate of approximately 50%. We expect that all applications will be assessed by early October 2019.

The **CRD** program received approximately 750 submissions within six months—the same number of applications normally received in about a year. These applications are being processed with the following approaches and timelines:

- CRD projects requesting \$50,000 or less (on average) will be assessed with external peer review as in the past, but may take longer than normal due to the number of applications. We expect that most applications will be processed this fall.
- CRD projects requesting over \$50,000 but less than \$200,000 (and that meet administrative and eligibility requirements) will be reviewed by a Selection Committee (assisted by external reviews) that will assess each CRD selection criterion. The Selection Committees will meet in late fall 2019 and again in early 2020 to rank the remaining CRD proposals. NSERC will allocate budgets based on that ranking.
- CRD projects requesting greater than \$200,000 (that meet administrative and eligibility requirements) will be
 externally reviewed and will be ranked by the Advisory Committee on University-Industry Grants (ACUIG) that will
 meet in fall 2019 and early 2020 to rank the CRD proposals in this category. NSERC will allocate budgets based on
 that ranking.

Any CRD applications that receive a nil recommendation through the peer review process will receive NSERC's negative funding decision. These applications will not be sent on to a Selection Committee or the ACUIG for ranking.

We will continue to keep you informed as we make progress in this exceptional year. Please do not hesitate to send us any questions or comments to RPP@nserc-crsng.gc.ca.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in the Research Enterprise

Evidence has shown Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) strengthen the quality, social relevance and impact of research. Sound EDI practices increase access to the largest pool of qualified potential participants, enhance the integrity of a program's application and selection processes, strengthen the research outputs, and increase the overall excellence of research. Ontario Tech is committed to transforming our institutional culture and embedding EDI principles in every area of practice: in research, teaching and administration. The Office of Research Services is working with units from across the university to ready our institution for joining the <u>Dimensions: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Canada</u> program, and we are committed to informing the Ontario Tech research community of changes in funding policy and guidelines as related to EDI principles. As a starting point, please review the relevant resources below and feel free to contact your faculty's grants officer with any questions or concerns.

- 1. **Tri-Council open letter to the research community**: Self-Identification Data Collection in Support of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion http://www.science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97616.html
- 2. **Tri-council New Frontiers in Research Fund**: Best Practices in Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Research: Guide for Applicants: https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/edi-eng.aspx
- 3. NSERC
 - a. Framework on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/EDI-EDI/framework cadre-de-reference eng.asp
 - b. Guide for Applicants: Considering equity, diversity and inclusion in your application http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/ doc/EDI/Guide for Applicants EN.pdf
- 4. CIHR
 - a. Gender Equity Framework http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50238.html
 - b. Tools for Researchers: How to integrate sex and gender into research http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50836.html
- 5. CRC
 - a. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion: A Best Practices Guide for Recruitment, Hiring and Retention http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/program-programme/equity-equite/best_practices-pratiques_examplaires-eng.aspx
 - b. Unconscious bias training module: http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/program-programme/equity-equite/bias/module-eng.aspx?pedisable=false
- 6. Ontario Tech's **CRC Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Awareness Strategy and Action Plan**https://research.ontariotechu.ca/faculty/uoit-crc-equity,-diversity-and-inclusion-awareness-strategy-and-action-plan-.php
- 7. Ontario Tech is an Employer Partner with the **Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion** (<u>CCDI</u>) which provides us with a number of benefits that will support us on our diversity journey. Key resources available include:
 - CCDI Monthly Newsletter "Diversity Ink". CCDI's monthly newsletter provides information about CCDI events and research, and other pertinent news from the Canadian Diversity and Inclusion realm. <u>Click here</u> and provide your contact information under "Sign Up for Our Mailing List". Also, you can view past editions of their *Diversity Ink* newsletter here.
 - CCDI Knowledge Repository. As part of the "Members Only" portal on their website, CCDI launched an e-library with over 1,000 documents containing Canadian-specific and international diversity and inclusion research, reports, toolkits and news, which are indexed and searchable by multiple parameters (e.g. by keyword, by topic, etc.). This e-library is an evergreen resource and new content is continually being added.
 If you would like access the Knowledge Repository, please send an e-mail to kr@ccdi.ca with the subject line

- "Knowledge Repository Access" include your first name, last name and work e-mail address. You will receive your log-in information shortly thereafter.
- CCDI Monthly Webinars. CCDI offers educational webinars four to eight times per month in both official languages which are free for all of our employees. Click here to see a list of topics and dates. Previously recorded webinars can be accessed via the Knowledge Repository
- CCDI In-Person Events. CCDI hosts best-practice forums and Community of Practice events in 18 cities across Canada twice per year. Check this page regularly to see when new dates have been added.

ERA-Can+ for Horizon 2020 -Calls targeted to Canada now available!

Canadians seeking information and assistance to participate in Horizon 2020 can turn to the ERA-Can+ project. ERA-Can+ is a new partnership, supported by the European Commission and the Government of Canada, that brings together the networks and expertise of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC), Canada's Public Policy Forum (PPF) and Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada (DFATD) with the leading research support organizations in Austria (Zentrum für Soziale Innovation (ZSI), France (Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS), Germany (Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt (DLR) and Italy (Agenzia per la Promozione della Ricerca Europea (APRE).

Together, they will provide information sessions on opportunities for Canadians in Horizon 2020 on-line and in-person across Canada. There will be a new *Horizon 2020 Guide for Canadians* and a regular newsletter with information on the latest calls and events. ERA-Can+ will also serve as a key source of information on European and international access to Canadian research and innovation programs.

Please contact ERA-Can+ today for information and assistance on calls, proposals and future events through: info@era-can.net.

You are also invited to register for the ERA-Can+ newsletter already available here and to visit the new website (www.era-can.net).

Further Info about Canada and Horizon 2020: Canada-EU Information and Communications Technologies National Contact Point

Horizon2020

The European Commission opened the first calls for proposals in Horizon 2020, the European Union's new Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020). Researchers can access the calls on the <u>Horizon 2020 Participant Portal</u>. Horizon 2020 is the new EU funding programme for research and innovation running from 2014 to 2020 with a €70 billion budget. The first calls for proposals for Horizon 2020 are envisaged for December 2013. Its simplified rules and submission and grant management tools should facilitate participants' tasks. For practical guidance, see the <u>H2020 online manual</u>.

H2020 supports <u>SMEs</u> with a new instrument that runs throughout various funded research and innovation fields, so it should be easy for SMEs to find opportunities in many calls. H2020 also aims to enhance EU <u>international research cooperation</u> so there are more opportunities for Third Country participation. Having built H2020 around the main societal challenges like an ageing population, food security, energy efficiency, the EU attaches high importance to embed <u>socio-economic sciences and humanities</u> into the work programme. Another important priority of the Commission is to ensure <u>gender</u> is embedded in the design of Horizon 2020 project proposals.

Calls are focused on:

- Excellent Science: including international fellowships and support for research training (Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions), future and emerging technologies, research infrastructure and ERC grants.
- Competitive Industries: including support for research on key enabling technologies (ICT, space and nano technologies) and innovation in SMEs.
- Societal Challenges: including support for multi-disciplinary collaborative research projects addressing major concerns for people around the world including health, food, energy, transport, climate action, inclusive societies and security.

Visit the <u>calls website</u> in the Horizon 2020 portal for a list of open calls.

Eligibility: As in the previous *Seventh Framework Programme* (FP7), Canadians are eligible to participate on a self-funded basis and may request funding from the European Commission if their work is essential to a project's success. Carleton University is already registered and able to apply for these grants, please contract Heloise Emdon, Carleton International, for assistance.

Canadians are well positioned for Horizon 2020. There were more Canadian applicants (1118) and participants (298) in FP7 than in all previous Framework Programmes combined. Their success rate (27 per cent) was well above the norm in Europe and 41 per cent of those in multi-disciplinary collaborative projects received European funding. There are now thirty-seven (37) universities with at least one researcher in a successful Framework Programme project.

Funding Available: These are large programmes with several calls and Canadians should participate in consortia with other counterparts, mainly European. The first steps to prepare your proposal and apply for EU research funding are spelled out here http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/index.html. Learn how to find a suitable Call for proposals or project partners and how to submit your proposal.

The following guidance services facilitate your participation:

- H2020 Online Manual: step-by-step online guide through the Portal processes from proposal preparation and submission to reporting on your on-going project
- Reference documents: library of legal documents, guidance notes, and additional reference material for H2020 and FP7
- search for already registered organisations and their PICs UOIT is registered with the PIC number 985382455
- Financial viability self-check tool allows you simulating the financial viability check of your organisation
- SME participation: dedicated H2020 guidance page for SME
- Full details regarding various opportunities <u>Horizon 2020 Participant Portal.</u>

More on EU Funding

Here are some resources that might be helpful to Canadian researchers and research administrators who are interested in European funding:

Guide for Canadians on H2020: http://www.era-can.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/GuideH2020 EN WEB.pdf

Guide for Canadians on multilateral programmes: http://www.era-can.net/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/D5.5-Multilateral-Guide EN.pdf

Guide for Europeans on Canadian programmes: http://www.era-can.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Eracan Guide-sci tech innovation EN.pdf

New webinars are shown below. Please see more and register at: https://cara-acaar.ca/events

Honda Canada Foundation - Grants

Internal ORS Deadline: a minimum of 3 days prior to submission*

External Sponsor Deadline: Continuous Intake

*A hard copy of the complete application package and a <u>Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form</u> with all required signatures **must** be submitted to the ORS contact by the internal deadline.

Description: The Honda Canada Foundation's mission is to enhance the social well-being of Canadian communities through responsible investment in organizations that share our vision and values and focus on youth in our communities.

The Foundation is proud to be involved with charitable purposes that reflect the basic tenets, beliefs and philosophies of the Honda companies. These charities are:

- Imaginative / creative
- Youthful
- Forward thinking
- Scientific
- Humanistic
- Innovative

At the heart of its charitable focus, the Honda Canada Foundation values: education, environment, and engineering. The Foundation uses these three areas as guiding principles in its charitable focus on the belief that a healthy understanding of each area will help both individuals and communities flourish.

- Education: Takes many forms. Ideas that teach and then drive the desire for more knowledge are valuable.
- Environment: Includes both the natural environment and the human environment. We attach great importance to having a positive influence on our country and community from an environmental perspective.
- Engineering: Focuses on helping communities thrive in the future. We embrace the sciences and research as areas that help us understand our world and ourselves.

Eligibility: The Honda Canada Foundation will make grants to charitable groups with CRA status such as:

- Educational institutions (primary, secondary, college, university)
- Charitable non-profit organizations
- Scientific and educational charitable non-profit groups
- Education-research organizations
- Other, tax exempt, national institutions in the fields of education, environment, and engineering

Value: Not specified

Details: Application Process; Application Instructions

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External Sponsor Deadline: Continuous Intake

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Description: Through Mitacs-Accelerate, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows from over 50 universities apply their specialized expertise to business-related research challenges. Armed with the very latest tools, techniques, and innovations, the intern (a graduate student or postdoctoral fellow) brings a new perspective to a problem faced by an industry partner.

- Interns spend approximately half of the time on-site with the industry partner; the remainder is spent at the university advancing the research under the guidance of a faculty supervisor.
- Open to all disciplines and all industry sectors, projects can span a wide range of areas, including: manufacturing, technical innovation, business processes, IT, social sciences, design, and more.

Eligibility: The intern must be a graduate student or post-doctoral fellow enrolled at a Canadian university. Eligible PDF's must (1) have completed all requirements of his/her first doctoral degree no more than five years before the application submission date; and (2) be officially accepted for post-doctoral studies at a Canadian university.

Effective January 2015, Accelerate is open to both for-profit businesses and not-for-profit (NFP) organizations, such as industry associations, charitable organizations, and economic development organizations. All projects in collaboration with an NFP partner must demonstrate an economic or productivity orientation. Examples include creating new jobs, reducing costs of goods or services, or increasing productivity in a process or industry. Eligibility of applications involving Not For Profit organizations should be discussed with Mitacs in advance of submission.

Organizations which are not eligible to be partners include:

- Funding agencies
- University-based research centres
- Foreign companies

Value: Each 4-month internship project receives \$15,000 in direct funding, with the partner organization and Mitacs each providing \$7,500. The \$15,000 will be provided to the intern's academic supervisor as a research grant. It is required that the intern receive a stipend of a minimum of \$10,000 of the total grant per 4-month internship. Any funds over and above the intern stipend will be used to support research related to the internship.

Details: http://www.mitacs.ca/accelerate/program-guide

Public Health Agency of Canada, Multi-sectoral Partnerships to Promote Healthy Living and Prevent Chronic Disease

Internal ORS Deadline: a minimum of 3 days prior to submission *
External Sponsor Deadline: Continuous Intake

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Description: The Public Health Agency of Canada (Agency) is pleased to invite eligible organizations to submit a "Letter of Intent" (LOI) to advance innovative, multi-sectoral approaches to promote healthy living and prevent chronic disease. Multi-sectoral approaches involving all segments of society - communities, academia, the charitable and not-for-profit sector and the private sector - are required to address complex social issues such as childhood obesity and the prevention of chronic diseases.

The <u>Integrated Strategy on Healthy Living and Chronic Disease (ISHLCD)</u> provides a framework for the federal government to promote the health of Canadians and reduce the impact of chronic disease in Canada. The funding programs under the ISHLCD include the <u>Healthy Living Fund</u>, the <u>Canadian Diabetes Strategy</u>, the <u>Cancer Community-Based Program</u> and the <u>Cardiovascular Disease program</u>.

Projects to be funded under the ISHLCD must include a focus on at least one of the following:

- addressing healthy living and healthy weights through a primary prevention initiative
- addressing common risk factors (i.e. unhealthy diet, physical inactivity, tobacco use) applicable to a number of the aforementioned chronic diseases

As part of the Government of Canada's five-year renewal of the Federal Tobacco Control Strategy (FTCS) through Budget 2012, interventions under this program stream will target tobacco as a common risk factor for chronic diseases as reinforced in the 2011 United Nations Declaration on Non-Communicable Diseases. The Agency's tobacco investments ensure alignment with broader chronic disease prevention priorities, such as the stakeholder-led National Lung Health Framework.

Projects to be funded under the FTCS must include a focus on at least one of the following:

- building the capacity of tobacco cessation interveners
- reinforcing tobacco prevention and cessation in the workplace
- addressing the elevated risks of urban First Nations people living off-reserve, and Métis people and Inuit people living outside of their traditional communities

Eligibility: Canadian not-for-profit voluntary organizations and corporations; for-profit organizations; unincorporated groups, societies and coalitions; provincial, territorial, regional, and municipal governments and agencies; organizations and institutions supported by provincial and territorial governments (regional health authorities, schools, post-secondary institutions, etc.); individuals deemed capable of conducting population health activities; and non-Canadian recipients may be considered on an exceptional basis; Aboriginal organizations

Value: The value of your Agency funding request must be a minimum of \$100,000 per year over a minimum of a two-year period. Requests that reflect less than \$100,000/year, or are under two years in duration, will not be considered. The maximum value of your Agency funding request cannot exceed \$5 million per project. The funding duration must be between 24 months (2 years) and 60 months (5 years). A matched funding ratio of 1:1 is required for funding under the ISHLCD. A minimum of 1:3 matched funding is required for projects funded under the FTCS. Final determination of the matched funding ratio for any particular project rests with the Public Health Agency of Canada.

Details:



The National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration Grant Application

Internal ORS Deadline: a minimum of 3 days prior to submission*

External Sponsor Deadline: Quarterly Deadlines

NGS CRE asks that you submit 10 months before project start date

*A hard copy of the complete application package and a <u>Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form</u> with all required signatures **must** be submitted to the ORS contact by the internal deadline.

Description: Applications are generally limited to the following disciplines: anthropology, archaeology, astronomy, biology, botany, geography, geology, oceanography, paleontology, and zoology.

In addition the committee is emphasizing multidisciplinary projects that address environmental issues (e.g., loss of biodiversity and habitat, effects of human-population pressures).

Eligibility: Applicants are expected to have advanced degrees (Ph.D. or equivalent) and be associated with an educational organization or institution. Independent researchers or those pursuing a Ph.D.-level degree may apply, but awards to non-Ph.D. applicants are rare. As a general rule, all applicants are expected to have published a minimum of three articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals. Funding is not restricted to United States citizens. Researchers planning work in foreign countries should include at least one local collaborator as part of their research teams. The committee will not consider applications seeking support solely for laboratory work or archival research. While grants are awarded on the basis of scientific merit and exist independent of the Society's other divisions, grant recipients are expected to provide the Society with rights of first refusal for popular publication of their findings.

Value: While grant amounts vary greatly, most range from U.S. \$10,000 to \$30,000. There is no set quantity of grants awarded, but budget constraints keep the number to approximately 250 per year. Grants funded by the committee are generally for one year's work in the field and laboratory. Committee grants tend to act as seed money and are given for one year's research. Sometimes, but rarely, the committee will fund a maximum of two years of research.

National Geographic Society grants may not be used for indirect costs, overhead, and other expenses not directly related to the project. Fringe benefits are also excluded, as are salaries. Funds may not be used for travel to scientific/professional meetings or conferences, legal actions, land acquisition, endowments, construction of permanent field stations, or publishing research results.

Details: https://www.nationalgeographic.org/funding-opportunities/grants/what-we-fund/

Modification to Paid Parental Leave Extension for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Fellows Receiving Tri-agency Funds

In June 2019, the agencies announced the extension of the duration of paid parental leave (PPL) from six to twelve months for individuals who were on an active paid parental leave on April 1st, 2019 or later. In October 2019, the agencies further reviewed the eligibility requirements of the policy and will now extend it to include those who were on an unpaid parental leave of six months or less as of April 1st, 2019. The change applies to holders of a graduate scholarship or postdoctoral fellowship from the granting agencies, as well as to students and fellows who are paid from a supervisor's agency grant.

Individuals who were on an unpaid parental leave status on April 1st immediately following a paid parental leave (with no interruption in between) are now able to request an extension with funds to their initial paid leave for up to six additional months (thereby providing individuals with up to 12 consecutive months of PPL). Doing so will effectively convert their unpaid leave into paid leave. For example, someone whose six-month unpaid parental leave started in March 2019 is now entitled to a PPL payment for the months of March to August 2019.

This change is effective immediately. Please communicate with the research trainees at your institution to ensure that they are aware of this change. Note that an extension is not automatic and a new form requesting the additional months must be submitted to the appropriate agency before **February 14, 2020**. Students and fellows who are interested in requesting an extension should refer to the Tri-Agency Research Training Award Holder's Guide if they hold an award and to the Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide if they are paid from their supervisor's agency grant.

For questions about this increase, please contact the applicable granting agency at:

CIHR: support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca NSERC: schol@nserc-crsng.gc.ca

SSHRC: sshrc-crsh.gc.ca

2020 Banting Research Foundation Discovery Award supported by

Dystonia Medical Research Foundation (DMRF) Canada

The **Banting Research Foundation** and **DMRF Canada** are pleased to announce the Banting Research Foundation Discovery Award supported by DMRF Canada is now accepting applications for 2020. This marks the fourth year of a funding partnership to support research by early career investigators focused on areas relevant to dystonia, a neurological movement disorder impacting more than 50,000 Canadians.

The goal of the DMRF Canada's Science Program is to support the discovery of new or improved therapies and, ultimately, a cure for dystonia. To achieve this goal, the DMRF is dedicated to supporting the field of dystonia research and stimulating the collaborations and projects necessary to accelerate progress.

The *Banting Research Foundation Discovery Award supported by DMRF Canada* is a one-year grant of up to \$25,000 per year that will support research related to the causes, mechanisms, prevention, and treatments which could potentially enable medical breakthroughs and transformative health care advances to find a cure for dystonia. Eligible candidates must be focused on research that will address one or more of the core directions necessary to advance the field of dystonia. These core directions include furthering our fundamental understanding of dystonia, uncovering the mechanisms in the nervous system that lead to symptoms, creating experimental models of dystonia, and discovering targets for new and improved therapeutics designed specifically to treat dystonia. This includes hypothesis-driven research projects at the genetic, molecular, cellular, systems, or behavioral levels that may lead to a better understanding of the pathophysiology or to new therapies for any or all forms of dystonia.

The Banting Research Foundation Discovery Award supported by DMRF Canada will be awarded through the Discovery Award program of The Banting Research Foundation with approval from the DMRF Medical Advisory Committee. Eligible applicants must be in the first three years of an academic appointment at a university or research institute in Canada. For complete guidelines and application instructions, see: https://www.bantingresearchfoundation.ca/discovery-award-program/

Application deadline: February 14, 2020

The **Banting Research Foundation** is a registered charity that funds health and biomedical research in Canada. Its mission is to invest in the early careers of researchers who demonstrate excellence and creativity in health and biomedical sciences. The Foundation was established in 1925 to support the ongoing research of Frederick Banting and other scientists, and has been continually funding research since then through an annual grant program. www.bantingresearchfoundation.ca

DMRF Canada is a Canadian-based not-for-profit organization committed to advancing research for more treatments and ultimately a cure; to promote awareness and education; and to support the needs and well being of individuals and families affected by Dystonia. DMRF Canada works in partnership with the Dystonia Medical Research Foundation in the United States and other funding agencies to ensure funding of the best and most relevant dystonia medical research in Canada and worldwide. www.dystoniacanada.org

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