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The Office of Research Services (ORS) team is working diligently to maintain full services remotely to the entire research community. For regular updates on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the University’s research operations, grant agency deadlines, considerations for active research projects, and funding opportunities for COVID-19 research, please refer to the [Vice-President, Research and Innovation’s COVID-19 Updates website](https://research.ontariotechu.ca/discover-research/covid--19-office-of-vice-president-research-research-updates.php).

***Services and Internal Process:***

Notification of Intent to Apply: We advised that researchers engage ORS as early as possible in planning to submit any grant applications. Your Grants Officer can support your application development and ensure your proposal aligns with program guidelines and internal university policies.

Comprehensive Review: If you would like a comprehensive review of your grant application, please submit it to the appropriate Grants Officer **one month** in advance of the agency deadline, or according to the internal deadlines noted below.
Administrative Review and Internal Approvals: To ensure internal approvals, including required institutional signatures, can be provided in time, we now require faculty members to provide grant applications and the completed [Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form](https://shared.uoit.ca/shared/department/research/rga-form-2016---e-signatures.docx) **a minimum of five business days** before the agency deadline. Grants Officers will provide administrative review of new grant applications to ensure completeness with agency guidelines and assist with institutional signatures.

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| Announcements and Resources | Date | Link |
| NEWNSERC Promo Science Information Session | Tuesday July 27, 20211-2:30 pm ET | [Promo Science webinar](https://nsercvideo.webex.com/mw3300/mywebex/default.do?nomenu=true&siteurl=nsercvideo&service=6&rnd=0.6915325646632451&main_url=https%3A%2F%2Fnsercvideo.webex.com%2Fec3300%2Feventcenter%2Fevent%2FeventAction.do%3FtheAction%3Ddetail%26%26%26EMK%3D4832534b000000057b4e8ae269cf0efbb736825618232ab7cef530fa55213164346ca6e8e5d77843%26siteurl%3Dnsercvideo%26confViewID%3D197280450201267416%26encryptTicket%3DSDJTSwAAAAW9Yv_SV3hiOv5ENKWTEe1F4mFrY-zrVX88Ta-Kdu1Diw2%26) |
| NEWCFI - Major Sciences Initiative Fund – Information Sessions | Wednesday, July 14th 1:00 pm EST | [Webinar registration](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_r9uKQ6jgRwKYXs2MXR0R7w) |
| NEWWWF Nature x Carbon Challenge Grant. Webinar registration. | June-August 2021 | [Pre-Registration link](https://techhub.wwf.ca/register/) |
| NEWDeep Space Health Challenge. Looking for health care solutions for Canadian remote communities and eventually deep space. |  | [Sign up for updates](https://impact.canada.ca/en/challenges/deep-space-healthcare-challenge) |
| NEWCanadian Space Stations - Open Source Science Opportunities. Data or publications derived from ISS research activities |  | [Open source science opportunities](https://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/station/research/open_source_science_ops) |
| NEWFrontiers in Research Exploration Fund (NFRF) 2021 NOI. Information Webinar. | July 13th, 2021 at 1:00 pm EDT (2 hours long) | [Webinar link](https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/mw3300/mywebex/default.do?nomenu=true&siteurl=sshrcvideo&service=6&rnd=0.0385048608376487&main_url=https%3A%2F%2Fsshrcvideo.webex.com%2Fec3300%2Feventcenter%2Fevent%2FeventAction.do%3FtheAction%3Ddetail%26%26%26EMK%3D4832534b0000000555bd5883baf98e17be357ca296db47ac0a1a9c953836d645c66bc1f11d5f222c%26siteurl%3Dsshrcvideo%26confViewID%3D198557759795401612%26encryptTicket%3DSDJTSwAAAAWtxrgnDle2-UdGC5b1CP-vzKr4nBCRohBZAnPzpXpfAw2%26)**Event password**: KcwdeVSs354 |
| Updates to Alliance Option 2 application and funding request limits |  | [Info. below in bulletin](#_Alliance_Option_2) |
| Tri-Agency Interdisciplinary Peer Review Committee (one-year pilot) |  | <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52470.html> |
| NSERC 2030: A Strategic Plan |  | [New NSERC Strat Plan](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/NSERC2030-CRSNG2030/index_eng.asp). Send ideas, comments and questions to: nserc2030crsng2030@nserc-crsng.gc.ca |
| CityStudio Durham – Seeking new Collaborations and experiential Learning opportunities for students |  | [CityDurham Studio – New Collaborations](#_Call_for_Partnership) |
| Tri-Agency Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan |  | <https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/EDI-EDI/Action-Plan_Plan-dAction_eng.asp> |
| Tri-Agency COVID-19 Information and Updates  |  | [NSERC](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/NewsDetail-DetailNouvelles_eng.asp?ID=1139)[SSHRC](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/news_room-salle_de_presse/covid-19-eng.aspx)[CIHR](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/51917.html) |
| Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy |  | Policy: <http://science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97610.html>FAQs: <http://science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97609.html> |
| Research Facilities Navigator – Online Research Promotion Tool |  | [2](#_Online_Research_Promotion) |
| Update on NSERC Alliance Grant Program: New application resources  |  | [3](#_Mitacs_Elevate) |
| NSERC Alliance – OCE VIP Joint Funding |  | [5](#_NSERC_Alliance_–) |
| Resources: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in the Research Enterprise*See link for more information*New Frontiers in Research Fund [*Best Practices in Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Research* Guide](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/edi-eng.aspx) |  | [6](#_SSHRC_Small_Research) |
| Ontario Health Data Platform – Covid-19 Challenge Questions Initiative  |  | [7](#_Challenge_Questions_Initiative) |
| CIHR’s Policy on Identical and Essentially Identical Applications |  | [8](#_Update_on_CIHR’s) |
| CIHR Funding Opportunity Database[*ResearchNet*](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/srch.do?all=1&search=true&org=CIHR&sort=program&masterList=true&view=currentOpps) |  | <http://bit.ly/2VJ7Djv> |

 **General Research Funding Opportunities**

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|  Agency – Program | LOI/NOI/RegORS Deadline | LOI/NOI/ Reg Agency Deadline | Full ORS Deadline | Full Agency Deadline |
| [SSHRC Imagine Canada’s Future (ICF) Ideas Lab](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/society-societe/community-communite/Imagining_Canadas_Future-Imaginer_l_avenir_du_Canada-eng.aspx)[(ORS Info. here)](#_Imagining_Canada’s_Future_1) | *9-Jul-21* | 16-Jul-21 | TBD | By invitation only |
| [Fighting Blindness Canada – 2021 Grant Competition](https://www.fightingblindness.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-Research-Grant-Competition-Guide.pdf) | *23-Apr-21* | *29-Apr-21* | 16-Jul-21 | 22-Jul-21 |
| [CIHR: Understanding and mitigating the impacts of the covid-10 pandemic on children, youth and families in Canada](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52499.html) |  |  | 19-Jul-21 | 26-Jul-21 |
| [SSHRC Connections Grant](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx) |  |  | 26-Jul-21 | 1-Aug-21 |
| NEW[Heart and Stroke – New Investigator Award](https://authoring.heartandstroke.ca/what-we-do/research/for-researchers)[ORS Info. below.](#_Heart_&_Stroke) | 26-Jul-21 | 29-Jul-21 | 27-Aug-21 | 2-Sept-21 |
| [DnD – Innovation for Defence Excellence and Security (IDEas) - Green Heat: Low Carbon Energy Generation for Heating Existing Buildings – Advance Procurement Notice](https://www.canada.ca/en/department-national-defence/programs/defence-ideas/current-opportunities/green-heat-low-carbon-energy-generation-for-heating-existing-buildings.html)  |  |  |  | TBD – Summer 2021 |
| NEW[NSERC Promo Science](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Promoter-Promotion/PromoScience-PromoScience/GrantsGuide-GuideDesSubventions_eng.asp)\*[Subject to internal departmental competition](#_NSERC_PromoScience) | 3-Aug-21 | TBD | 9-Sept-21 | 15-Sept-21 |
| [NSERC Discovery Grant](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/Grants-Subs/DGIGPNotice-PSIGPAvis_eng.asp)  |  | 3-Aug | TBD | 1-Nov |
| [CIHR Funding: Covid-19 Vaccine Confidence](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52499.html) |  |  | 3-Aug-21 | 9-Aug-21 |
| NEW[New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF) 2021 Exploration Competition](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx) [ORS info.](#_New_Frontiers_in) | 4-Aug-21 | 10-Aug-21 | 13-Oct-21 | 19-Oct-21 |
| [CIHR Team Grant: Healthy Cities Implementation Science (HCIS) Team Grants](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3482&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#howtoapply) and [ORS information below.](#_CIHR_Team_Grant:) | 4-Aug-21 | 11-Aug-21 | TBD | 28-Apr-22 |
| NEW[Genome Applications Partnership Program (GAPP)](#_Genome_Applications_Partnership)\*Multiple Deadlines.  | 4-Aug-21 | 10-Aug-21 | 6-Oct-21 | 12-Oct-21 |
| NEW[CFI - Major Science Initiatives Fund](https://www.innovation.ca/awards/major-science-initiatives-fund?_cldee=dnByZXNAdW9ndWVscGguY2E%3d&recipientid=contact-f2c7d4ea204ce811a95b000d3af45293-8866ec74b12942deb96e722cf19fd6b3&esid=3bb93bdc-bebf-eb11-bacc-0022486d86d3) | 4-Aug-21 | 10-Aug-21 | TBD | 4-Nov-21By invitation only |
| NEW[Adobe – Use of Data Science in Marketing](https://www.adobe.com/careers/university/marketing-research.html) |  |  | 6-Aug-21 | 13-Aug-21 |
| [Ontario Institute for Cancer Research – Clinical Translation Pathway Request for Applications](https://oicr.on.ca/funding-opportunities/) | *11-May-21* | *17-May-21* | 6-Aug-21 | 12-Aug-21 |
| NEW[Global Call for Ideas 2021: The Future of Being Human (CIFAR)](https://cifar.ca/global-call/)\*[Multiple Deadlines.](https://cifar.ca/global-call/#deadline) | 11-Aug-21 | 17-Aug-21 | 20-Jan-21 | 26-Jan-22 |
| [CIHR – Catalyst Grant: Alcohol research to inform health policies and interventions](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?next=1&prog=3490&resultCount=25&terms=alcohol&type=EXACT&view=search&language=E) | 12-Aug-21 | 19-Aug-21 | 9-Sept-21 | 16-Sept-21 |
| [CMHC Housing Supply Challenge Round 2: To improve pre-development processes for housing that is affordable](https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/professionals/project-funding-and-mortgage-financing/funding-programs/all-funding-programs/housing-supply-challenge/round-2-housing-supply-challenge) |  |  | 18-Aug-21 | 25-Aug-21 |
| NEW[Heart and Stroke – Grant-in-Aid for novel research in the areas of heart disease and/or stroke](https://authoring.heartandstroke.ca/what-we-do/research/for-researchers) [ORS Info below](#_Heart_&_Stroke). |  |  | 20-Aug-21 | 26-Aug-21 |
| NEW[GlycoNET Call for Proposals 2021-22](https://canadianglycomics.ca/research/call-for-proposals/). Focusing on the role of carbohydrates in health.  |  |  | 25-Aug-21 | 31-Aug-21 |
| [New Digital Research Infrastructure Organization (NDRIO) - Pre-Announcement of Inaugural Funding Opportunity](https://engagedri.ca/pre-announcement-of-inaugural-funding-opportunity) |  | TBD-Sept-21 |  | Fall 2021 |
| NEW[SFARI: Autism Rat Models Consortium – RFA 2021](https://www.sfari.org/grant/2021-autism-rat-models-consortium-rfa) |  |  | 1-Sept-21 | 7-Sept-21 |
| NEW[World Wildlife Fund: Nature and Carbon Neutral Tech Challenge.](https://techhub.wwf.ca/conservation-tech-challenges/nature-x-carbon/) \*Multiple Deadlines. [ORS Info. Here.](#_World_Wildlife_Fund) | 1-Sept-21 | 7-Sept-21\* | TBD | Winter 2022\* |
| [Canadian Cancer Society/CIHR – Action Grants: Proof of Concept Interventions in Primary Cancer Care.](https://www.cancer.ca/en/research/grants-and-awards/current-funding-opportunities/action-grants/) [ORS Info. below.](#_Canadian_Cancer_Society/CIHR) | *17-Jun-21* | *23-Jun-21* | 3-Sept-21 | 10-Sept-21 |
| [Ontario Institute for Cancer Research (OICR), Cancer Therapeutics Innovation Pipeline – Request for Applications](https://oicr.on.ca/funding-opportunities/) | *30-Jun-21* | *7-Jul-21* | 8-Sept-21 | 15-Sept-21 |
| [Partnership Engage Grant](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/partnership_engage_grants-subventions_d_engagement_partenarial-eng.aspx) |  |  | 8-Sept-21 | 15-Sept-21 |
| NEWCIHR Project 2021 Fall Competition |  |  | 10-Sept-21 | 15-Sept-21 |
| [Climate Action and Awareness Fund (CAAF) -](https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/weather/climatechange/funding-programs/climate-action-awareness-fund.html) Advancing climate change science and technology. [(ORS Info.)](#_Climate_Action_and) | *3-Jun-21* | *10-Jun-21* | TBD | Sept-21- by invitation only |
| [Canadian Chiropractic Research Foundation (CCRF) Funding Opportunity](https://www.canadianchiropracticresearchfoundation.ca/research-request-for-proposal/) incl. [Press Release](#_CCRF_Announces_New) | *7-May-21* | *13-May-21* | TBD | 20-Sep-21By invitation only |
| [SSHRC Insight Grant](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/insight_grants-subventions_savoir-eng.aspx) |  |  | 24-Sep-21 | 1-Oct-21 |
| [Kids Brain Health Network: Strategic Investment Fund 2021](https://kidsbrainhealth.ca/index.php/research/funding-opportunities/) | *18-Jun-21* | *25-Jun-21* | TBD | 1-Oct-21 |
| NEW[Horizon Europe – Digital Emerging Technologies for competitiveness](https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl4-2021-digital-emerging-01-23) Note: Contact your grants officer as soon as possible if applying. |  |  | 15-Oct-21 | 21-Oct-21 |
| [NSERC Discovery Horizons](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/Grants-Subs/DH-HD_eng.asp)[(ORS Info.)](#_NSERC_Discovery_Horizons) | *8-Jun-21* | *15-Jun-21* | TBD | 18-Oct-21By invitation only |
| [NSERC Research Tools and Instruments 2022 Competition.](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/professors-professeurs/rtii-oiri/rti-oir_eng.asp) [Application Instructions](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/ResearchPortal-PortailDeRecherche/Instructions-Instructions/RTIInstruct-SOIInstruct_eng.asp). [FAQ.](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_doc/Reviewers-Examinateurs/RTIFAQ-OIRFAQ_eng.pdf)  |  |  | 19-Oct-21 | 25-Oct-21 |
| [Alzheimer Society of Canada – New Investigator and Proof of Concept Grants](https://alzheimer.ca/en/research/information-researchers/apply-alzheimer-society-research-program) | *30-Jun-21* | *6-Jul-21* | 1-Nov-21 | 5-Nov-21 |
| [CIHR: Heart Failure Research Network Team Grant](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=3483&view=currentOpps&org=CIHR&type=EXACT&resultCount=25&sort=program&all=1&masterList=true) for national interdisciplinary research network  | *30-Jun-21* | *7-Jul-21* | 30-Nov-21 | 7-Dec-21 |
| [CIHR: TRANSCAN-3: Next generation cancer immunotherapy: targeting the tumor microenvironment](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=3462&view=search&launchMonth=4&launchYear=2021&type=EXACT&resultCount=25&next=1) | *24-Jun-21* | *29-Jun-21* | TBD | 20-Dec-21 |
| [CIHR - Team Grant: Food Security and Climate Change in the Canadian North](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=3269&view=currentOpps&org=CIHR&type=EXACT&resultCount=25&sort=program&next=1&all=1&masterList=true) | *20-Apr-21* | *24-Apr-21* | 23-Feb-22 | 01-Mar-22 |
| [Cisco Research – Research Grants](https://research.cisco.com/research-grants/RFP-21-05)*Various Opportunities:** *Quantum Computing and Networking*
* *Tech for Healthcare*
* *Edge Computing*
* *Future of Work*
 |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [Canadian Space Agency](https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/funding-programs/programs/default.asp) |  |  |  | Various deadlines |
| [DND Innovation for Defence Excellence and Security (IDEaS) Program](https://www.canada.ca/en/department-national-defence/programs/defence-ideas/current-opportunities.html)  |  |  |  | Various deadlines |
| [NSERC Alliance Grants](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/funding-financement_eng.asp)  |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [Joint NSERC Alliance – Mitacs Accelerate Streamlined Funding](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/NSERC-Alliance-Mitacs_eng.asp) |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [OCI – Voucher for Innovation and Productivity](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/program-nav/voucher-for-innovation-and-productivity-vip/)To drive commercialization of intellectual property |  |  |  | No deadline |
| [NSERC Alliance – OCI VIP Joint Funding](#_NSERC_Alliance_–) |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [Government of Canada – CanExport Innovation Funding](https://www.tradecommissioner.gc.ca/funding-financement/canexport/innovation/index.aspx?lang=eng)  |  |  |  | No Deadline  |
| [OCI, TalentEdge](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/programs/autonomous-vehicle-innovation-network-avin/talentedge-internship-program-tip-avin/)[Internship Program (TIP) - AVIN](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/programs/autonomous-vehicle-innovation-network-avin/talentedge-internship-program-tip-avin/) |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [OCI, TalentEdge Fellowship Program (TFP) - AVIN](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/programs/autonomous-vehicle-innovation-network-avin/talentedge-fellowship-program-tfp-avin/) |   |   |   | No Deadline |
| [AVIN, AV Research and Development Partnership Fund – Stream 1](https://www.avinhub.ca/av-rd-fund/) |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [Mitacs, Accelerate Connecting SMEs with AI](http://discover.mitacs.ca/artificial-intelligence-assessment/) |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [Mitacs Accelerate](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/accelerate) |   |   |   | No Deadline |
| [Mitacs, Accelerate Fellowship](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/accelerate/fellowships) |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [Mitacs, Entrepreneur International Program](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/entrepreneur-international) |  |  |  | No Deadline  |
| [Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Explorations](https://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/challenges)  |  |  |  | Various |
| [Royal Bank of Canada, Youth Mental Health Project](https://www.rbc.com/community-social-impact/apply-for-funding/youth-mental-wellbeing-guidelines.html) |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [Honda Canada Foundation, Grants](https://www.hondacanadafoundation.ca/apply-for-funding) |   |   |   | No Deadline |
| [IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence, Call for Collaborative Research Proposals Between Canada and India – Innovative Technology Demonstration Projects](https://ic-impacts.com/call-for-proposal/innovative-demonstration-initiative/)  |   |   |   | No Deadline |
| [Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction, Quick Response Program](https://www.iclr.org/researcher/) |   |   |   | No Deadline |
| [Public Health Agency of Canada, Multi-sectoral Partnerships to Promote Healthy Living and Prevent Chronic Disease](https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/funding-opportunities/multi-sectoral-partnerships-promote-healthy-living-prevent-chronic-disease.html) |   |   |   | No Deadline |
| [The National Geographic Society, Committee for Research and Exploration Grant Application](https://www.nationalgeographic.org/funding-opportunities/grants/what-we-fund/)Current topics include:* AI for Earth Innovation
* Equity and the Natural World
* Enduring Impacts: Archaeology of Sustainability
 |   |   |   | Quarterly deadlines |
| [Max Bell Foundation](https://maxbell.org/our-work/granting/types-programs/)  |  |  |  | No Deadline |
| [SOSCIP- Collaborative Projects](https://www.soscip.org/soscip-application-guide/) |  |  |  | No Deadline |

## **Climate Action and Awareness Fund (CAAF) - Advancing climate change science and technology**

**Description**

The current request for proposals is seeking projects that advance climate change science and technology in Canada. The objective of this request for proposals is to support projects that will strengthen Canada’s science capacity to understand, identify, accelerate, and evaluate mitigation actions that will work towards achieving net-zero greenhouse gas emissions in Canada.

Climate change science and technology projects may include activities related to monitoring, data collection, model development, application of novel technologies, and/or knowledge synthesis aimed at enhancing understanding at the national, provincial, regional, or local level, including Indigenous communities.

The projects funded by this request for proposals must fall under one of the following themes:

* Theme 1: Informing carbon sink enhancements: nature-based climate solutions
* Theme 2: Understanding the potential for, and implications of, negative emission technologies
* Theme 3: Understanding city- and municipal-level GHG emissions and mitigation effectiveness
* Theme 4: Understanding multiple benefits of integrated mitigation approaches for greenhouse gases and air pollutants
* Theme 5: Understanding and quantifying transportation sector emissions in Canada

A full description of each theme can be found [here](https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/weather/climatechange/funding-programs/climate-action-awareness-fund.html). Attached you will find the Applicant Guide and fillable LOI form. The Guide will provide you with additional details about the available funding, program requirements, and application process.

Phase 1: Letter of Intent (LOI)

ORS deadline for comprehensive review: *May 13, 2021*

ORS deadline for admin review + RGA (**mandatory**): *June 3, 2021*

Agency deadline: *June 10, 2021 at 3 pm*

Phase 2: Full Proposal (**by invitation only**):

ORS deadlines: TBD
Agency deadline: Early September 2021

**For general information regarding eligibility criteria and program parameters,** you may contact the Climate Action and Awareness Fund inbox at: ec.fasc-caaf.ec@canada.ca

**For any technical issues related to website functionality and access** (e.g., GCKey and SWIM), GCEMS technical support can be reached at ec.sgesc-gcems-sgesc-gcems.ec@canada.ca

For ORS information, contact Lisa Kozycz, Grants Officer at lisa.kozycz@ontariotechu.ca

*Sent on behalf of Les Jacobs, Vice-President Research & Innovation*

## Online Research Promotion Tool: **Navigator**

**Research Facilities Navigator is an online directory of research labs open to collaborating with business, academia and government. Les Jacobs encourages all researchers to develop a brief profile of their labs or research group, unit, centre or institute for the Navigator page.**

<https://navigator.innovation.ca/>

Globally, Navigator represents over 650 research facilities from 100 post-secondary, health care and government institutions across Canada, and averages 2000 unique visits per month. Approximately 1/3 of its traffic is from international sources.  Navigator is growing directory of institutions open to collaborations with industry, external research partners and other organizations, and to exploring new ways of contributing to Canada’s innovation landscape.

Ontario Tech researchers complete a **research facility intake form**: <https://navigator.innovation.ca/en/addchange-profile>.

See all 15 Ontario Tech profiles on Navigator: <https://navigator.innovation.ca/en/search?f%5B0%5D=institution_uch%3A808>

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## Call for Partnership – City Studio, The Region of Durham

CityStudio Durham unites the Region of Durham, Durham Regional Police Services, Durham College, Ontario Tech University and Trent University Durham-GTA and creates experiential learning opportunities for students. Post-secondary staff and faculty can visit the [**CityDurham Studio Webpage**](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.durham.ca%2Fmodules%2Fnews%2Fen%2FCollaboratewithus&data=04%7C01%7C%7C3459ce0187dd4da3923708d8fdcd3f5f%7C52d7c9c2d54941b69b1f9da198dc3f16%7C0%7C0%7C637538405311639990%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=qJLrfgLHxzuimlhaa0Vu7DBF%2FeuukuZUWXY8MB9R62A%3D&reserved=0) to view new collaboration opportunities, and submit a form to indicate interest in collaborating.

**Durham Region staff are currently looking for collaborators on the following projects:**

* Measuring the Impacts of Anti-Racism Training in Long-Term Care (Summer 2021 start)
* A Community Sport Council in Durham Region: Benefits and Requirements for Success (Summer or Fall 2021 start)
* Building a Regional Photobank (Summer or Fall 2021 start)
* Engaging Post-Secondary Students with Durham Tourism (Fall 2021 start)
* Statistical Analysis of the Effectiveness of Automated Speed Enforcement (Fall 2021 start)

Alternatively, faculty and staff can email me directly at Fabiola.limonbravo@ontariotechu.ca or Daniel Sparks (Research Coordinator, Durham Region) at Daniel.sparks@durham.ca.





1. **Call for Support/ Partnership – Teaching City Collaboration**

**To express interest in applied research projects:** Interested researchers and faculty should complete a TeachingCity Project Proposal form. See contact aisha.greene@ontariotechu.ca.

1. **To express interest in City Idea Lab or Course assignments:** Please contact: teachingcity@oshawa.ca

## Update on NSERC Alliance Grants

**Alliance webinar presentation now available online**

In late 2020, NSERC hosted webinar presentations to learn more about best practices in preparing an Alliance application. The webinar [video](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyTvoYRqd0T7w3HscS9STj2byExPwPIQtXQTVNezUEybiE3co1hnbdmY2DHvI1ePINglyObOHJ6CGNI2dVYQSKeteXn8-GtvYfQ==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==) and slides ([with notes](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyTvoYRqd0T7wGgtfw7VxGlQzFOOI_2s-mm1PlXZYCfPc2q75p9aEmHttdr3lC-nqRXm7NctXGHUPmugQpyusgrTUmGMS2QvKpRpJy_r_n2CN-MDVPVlNxMHhUIc2zNcsj4T6yuAF2G0gE6itscgPHKrqRARpMSzCXFp2fnMAPLOe3EsjT2SRmfM=&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==) and [without notes](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyTvoYRqd0T7wUOrjg5az5WCGpSHSc6OppuLtlBvV_MrmPzQWz9LQ8dpJlHef2B42p-Gh-n28v5p6rXQyjNZjbnSx7VO2q7xm4Am3Y7e0LZVXauQX_qHxbHjE8dCZWUn5miwbEUhvcZ8sgrUXToidfOeFvTAdoHD7rlp9H38LXkCpqaWUKWIjYGk=&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==)) are now available on the [Alliance resources webpage](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyW4bKU3Apw3eeCt_r3VpSrGLkYrgHV3h9YwTkKJXakapM-YAP8b-AIJSh3K4wYO_2MY8aaCYN4pyXjmeqyEP_25vgKoc-uqC7fiV7GGfu2CWmgp114Mwixq0Tuwk4N5uZn1rYTbBF2uY1fvqLag1Wfe-WqaIUx5XKK6S6EKbOtApOF9N4cL2XDmTri5kmqVlfA==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==). We would also like to remind you of the other [resources](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyW4bKU3Apw3eeCt_r3VpSrGLkYrgHV3h9YwTkKJXakapM-YAP8b-AIJSh3K4wYO_2MY8aaCYN4pyXjmeqyEP_25vgKoc-uqC7fiV7GGfu2CWmgp114Mwixq0Tuwk4N5uZn1rYTbBF2uY1fvqLag1Wfe-WqaIUx5XKK6S6EKbOtApOF9N4cL2XDmTri5kmqVlfA==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==) that are available to support you in preparing an Alliance proposal, which are outlined below. In addition to our [Frequently asked questions](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyTvoYRqd0T7wowsatPq88A2yWu7fj8W2VhO1egjCfN3KetbRBwryV2wWulYAggmbQLzYniA40dPSK28AMe8mZzCcZywanE7pkkL0odqOWJg1pBPoAWt1MZQOwgylY9huCpYOEm7mn1leJAfiaJKyXhzxBgjhJEIq7BACQTM6QN2x&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==) webpage, NSERC staff also remain available to answer any questions you may have.

[Alliance grant application checklist](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyW4bKU3Apw3eAihSWU4HNuIVjcc7RSjTmvXxVlkHov0VjsRRXmnHHj-aQAuL0aXxzTpR38QuDmixeV-Miaz6zz-lV3Ko-pCjAa-qs9en_W_i8oawv9hHVvKFALiyyRX6I8Nhz-LXvw_sJQxoQpc_k_g_-51gMyNbGQ==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==)

[Equity, diversity and inclusion in the training plan](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyW4bKU3Apw3eha3u5ApsI7yECaAwzTBibm7JGnWbkpyvPo5MBQJVFjKmCVtTuBJmJAIvN7F0IyabWF_no9jNz3lskzOVJ4Ll-9BsH1qec0KumKpGojJy23JqJ90CwZ_YlY0t0REEeKpDrYqyM-siqCc=&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==)

[Partner organization self-assessment tool](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyW4bKU3Apw3etMHIF2mcrKOIrAwrkRq-BIsUyMgfFfHGwzv1j94jieK6hK4U6d5FNWolUl-exFI7v-7Tq_qvsUo39rx91uNZyYrZMZocFGRf5hpqXZ6tt8ZrQAdh7tESmPMObhLTr0SdHJpUXUQDlNJQ41vFSgeoE9KmLOh0pf0Z&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==)

[Instructions to external reviewers and members of *ad hoc* committees](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyWYTWmPB30ceceXSd2AZFZV4yqvye0E6RgOxOoVETQWmdUGItOjwzxXQh34lblUzzq-UE8IY-HzCkwAOBhnl5IsDjITLrw5h_TSWskP69EH-JaOVFyS83tcKP8_741giARZPAp8fHuxkm0CZ2F3JozRkWZAXXN5qyg==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==)

**New resources related to option 2 now available**

A document summarizing key details about Alliance option 2 has been added to the [Resources](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyW4bKU3Apw3eeCt_r3VpSrGLkYrgHV3h9YwTkKJXakapM-YAP8b-AIJSh3K4wYO_2MY8aaCYN4pyXjmeqyEP_25vgKoc-uqC7fiV7GGfu2CWmgp114Mwixq0Tuwk4N5uZn1rYTbBF2uY1fvqLag1Wfe-WqaIUx5XKK6S6EKbOtApOF9N4cL2XDmTri5kmqVlfA==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==) webpage to help applicants and partner organizations determine whether the project they are envisioning meets the requirements. In addition, the Public Impact Value Proposition (PIVP) Selection Committee Review Instructions are now available online. This will help applicants understand how the committee determines whether Alliance option 2 applications meet the characteristics and whether they will proceed to the next step of the evaluation.

[Option 2 overview pamphlet](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyTvoYRqd0T7wtEcscu5ZTKJpv7LFfpOfE5SiOeKSk4t3CdItfXOKFAy3LgXY6AqL9FxT-bFSPEy2gL3wl3y-qH0pduL53vIj41qbbMwRA0l69673jS_Y5ARHuN6BMBIH883LAmMbza6ApFufGJfHDo9HrZRXo-Qqcw==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==)

[Option 2 public impact value proposition (PIVP) selection committee review instructions](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0013oSUw36kEiNfZq3Dy9kD_PM5jHd2s4wGkaHgP0V3TyQQ7rG4-39ZyTvoYRqd0T7w7PW8rhaXddE8rhk73SfbhCRlCxvirn8CaF3VJeYTaz2gnmo6D1BkFyyjq7VQB1Gn4ApXZQFvW4SmVlQitkArLuzMUPX0SRrfdjLwoTRlaqPINkTqotufIP_QpFrYaHaFIKxQgLnzQTgWtrauTx8IXwOexbkBhuvtpgGIQHMpLq5Uuie6-EGJAg==&c=_xlVlPyN1RStxWmkYdbf1TJTB9VyMUEtHVfsb17ngFRUT7TlxocOcQ==&ch=C-9ylrYTz6GRO_jTf6Dx-CdJrzB6epkPG18namqZyCJkRUIVAnRG5Q==)

**Reminder: updates to Alliance literature**

The Alliance literature was recently updated on October 28, 2020. It aims to streamline and clarify various points, as well as to provide access to additional resources based on feedback and questions from the community. Key changes are summarized below, but we strongly encourage you to review the updated literature before submitting an application.

**Updates (see** [**link**](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/news-nouvelles_eng.asp) **for Latest news)**

* The **page limits for proposals** have been revised, as shown in the “Proposal sections and length” table in the [Instructions for completing an application](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rTSzix1ImIZt6CWaivrMl462-4hH0V7XxsRIGNAAqeUeIeVhyPvXO15Bf0LSoNXgFh8YsMGSQdBAlr7YEOfL1aT0b6ynqr_Dtc-UkqysXTui3H-smtrO3lL1-H7ZD1GvtFbo2ueKCOcsn1ZOr3Ghkj_jmb3O1cHVMhUjCsKX1rlLttOH2xN8JOda5QAEV5GJmO7yezGpsd8Cy1snObzT3FNFGIAFlQcH0Us0VIQgMAN-jO9VzMoe3A==&c=FwrUeyp5ITwHl6gOOuSM43cntWVr4W-onjyh-WpwCVQrUzgXErgm7g==&ch=OUNp-eufRNFap8SJl3a_JKvEkq6Pc6CH0bXgpd-TlkXt_M-VA6w8Mw==)

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| Up to and including $30,000 per year | Up to and including $300,000 per year | More than $300,000 per year |
| **Section** | **Percentage of evaluation** | ***Suggested* number of pages per section** |
| Background and expected outcomes | 25% | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Partnership | 25% | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| Proposal | 25% | 1.5 | 4 | 10 |
| Team | 0.75 | 1 | 4 |
| Training plan | 25% | 0.75 | 1 | 3 |
|  | ***Maximum* total number of pages (including NSERC template text)** |
| 5 | 10 | 25 |
| Option 2: Public impact value proposition (PIVP) | Add 3 pages to the maximum above for the PIVP |

* The [Alliance grant application checklist](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rTSzix1ImIZt6CWaivrMl462-4hH0V7XxsRIGNAAqeUeIeVhyPvXO2BdA7yXaEi2CQwsatjxMrW4uvlyH4dswkGFUWNuSIuzFzsWqvhEFQ4tVFz11TBf8YFiAgXT34mFtmEBGDfXedlExepYdXh3vuh2wMGbRpb1AY6vj212uv3lAdwq5-TQl-wUJ6Du_dv1zNJu5_RqppobWZgX5GHX1g==&c=FwrUeyp5ITwHl6gOOuSM43cntWVr4W-onjyh-WpwCVQrUzgXErgm7g==&ch=OUNp-eufRNFap8SJl3a_JKvEkq6Pc6CH0bXgpd-TlkXt_M-VA6w8Mw==) has been updated. In particular, information regarding project management expenses was amended: Up to 10% of the total direct research costs of a project can be used towards project management expenses in a project **of any size** involving multiple universities and/or partner organizations.
* The [proposal template](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rTSzix1ImIZt6CWaivrMl462-4hH0V7XxsRIGNAAqeUeIeVhyPvXO15Bf0LSoNXginmD1y9O4dlG4NBdZETUDgtzhfoC0TqmlUzw_44yl0v1GIZNtzERo2P9B71nBDNzA06-O1YAykwK-_6OLeKX1nMYkgE9a1FESDhN0gZjr9jI2kt7VxFlfgofHSpfKduNUpDlFCDyEy6XCcCxHYUqZ8nqIEzDvvmG4_k7AFQtyUQ=&c=FwrUeyp5ITwHl6gOOuSM43cntWVr4W-onjyh-WpwCVQrUzgXErgm7g==&ch=OUNp-eufRNFap8SJl3a_JKvEkq6Pc6CH0bXgpd-TlkXt_M-VA6w8Mw==) has been updated, in particular the General instructions at the beginning of the template (see attached).
* The maximum number of characters for the three parts of the free-form **Contributions to Research and Training Explanation section** of the Personal Data Form with CCV Attachment (Form 100A) has been increased to align with the current requirements for Discovery Grants applications. As a result, the maximum total number of pages for this section is now **five** instead of four. The [instructions on how to complete Form 100A](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rTSzix1ImIZt6CWaivrMl462-4hH0V7XxsRIGNAAqeUeIeVhyPvXO15Bf0LSoNXgV89XPqPpO0oWf3UwRhPUf8_mEjaZo6cB6oLCWpkHJk91yEQ_ADLmLgqt2Mr3x3gFD1c7XcBkrta-yOBiG_oHZzEFXZgnXsYCsavp0-j4HjaAvQ1X-zAUiKN_GwBIlEW6Ppre4q78KFQEwAEYlpLQlflM3-qa6fzyicPBjEjwW37g1vhNzISUdQ==&c=FwrUeyp5ITwHl6gOOuSM43cntWVr4W-onjyh-WpwCVQrUzgXErgm7g==&ch=OUNp-eufRNFap8SJl3a_JKvEkq6Pc6CH0bXgpd-TlkXt_M-VA6w8Mw==) have been updated.
* The [Role of partner organizations](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rTSzix1ImIZt6CWaivrMl462-4hH0V7XxsRIGNAAqeUeIeVhyPvXO15Bf0LSoNXgefYdAFNpVFL-bBF1ZCWbFsbrnkkuL3aRbKvgQq0FzW3G7vqwqtGWHcv1Xo2J_jiHEHGB_DtDXawrWk8zthgZzNDYR41nbndXrIdjvAdIPZAcqGjhvkNm-G8LISImiipoJAOdSHvxlSRU5iFbMAbbztymIw9AStZ2SZ1CZ-YdJXToJ7gOZEQOtmPt_6Tk3nLtPjgz7gdhoPmX_-1PpNcsjDbzZouENKUoIw2Asqs_lq9KxFryGGYL6WW1Df_PxtXK&c=FwrUeyp5ITwHl6gOOuSM43cntWVr4W-onjyh-WpwCVQrUzgXErgm7g==&ch=OUNp-eufRNFap8SJl3a_JKvEkq6Pc6CH0bXgpd-TlkXt_M-VA6w8Mw==) webpage has been revised to emphasize that each partner organization must play an active role in the project and must make in-kind contributions (with the exception of other funding agencies). The page was also amended to indicate that **Canadian producer groups and industrial associations** must be legally established under applicable federal, provincial or territorial statutes in Canada, replacing the previous requirement that they be incorporated in Canada.
* The [Frequently asked questions](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rTSzix1ImIZt6CWaivrMl462-4hH0V7XxsRIGNAAqeUeIeVhyPvXO-VmzycF3-0_KYGRJo8Yd-4lD9fRV6oXj3Qp_FZSDJIWybv60N_nzobv9lrS1zkZJQ2Uc3Jgq_03SxnI4NBCtEf8Nug_N3jdFv_5bB1EhXLdeQ6ygwlvcgTTfE2BgBamKXPyyNY5FLRl1Umn_OZhewkQ5_f-jD3ES44Frc4M7qHn&c=FwrUeyp5ITwHl6gOOuSM43cntWVr4W-onjyh-WpwCVQrUzgXErgm7g==&ch=OUNp-eufRNFap8SJl3a_JKvEkq6Pc6CH0bXgpd-TlkXt_M-VA6w8Mw==) webpage was updated to address recurring questions received from the community.

If you have any questions or comments about Alliance grants please contact your Grant Officer or Alliance@nserc-crsng.gc.ca and sign up on the [Alliance webpage](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rTSzix1ImIZt6CWaivrMl462-4hH0V7XxsRIGNAAqeUeIeVhyPvXO6RHqe4RDjouGu_fVHA3kcHEFs6vITh0cp-rbdng4dZMkk4EpBMVKpYKkraSKSOG9A1YFOgdUhOtantz90_gzCPFfffzCKbSSBkAjp7eW6S2HL0JZxXLakwz6QEIx87fqx4fm_GkrXS0pLichWvixFXN_UE7r4JWs68LH6-71LGH&c=FwrUeyp5ITwHl6gOOuSM43cntWVr4W-onjyh-WpwCVQrUzgXErgm7g==&ch=OUNp-eufRNFap8SJl3a_JKvEkq6Pc6CH0bXgpd-TlkXt_M-VA6w8Mw==) to be added to the mailing list so you can stay up to date on the latest information.

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## Alliance Grants – Option 2 Updates

NSERC has made two modifications related to Alliance Option 2:

* The maximum amount that can be requested from NSERC in an Option 2 proposal has increased to **$300,000** per year**.**
* There is **no longer a participation limit for partner organizations** in Option 2 proposals**.**

Supplemental resources listed on the [Alliance Resources webpage](https://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001gh5iexJqjIURe9UD4vIS-_jGy1ox9OSODlCKCVFiHo0wo9098y43bAfmdg3XIRtJ1jyN8u7MmLsSkq8guCOhDng04Tq_PQQu6yFYunr5aEgPEpa8xKkKPsIeYj8z0vXjXQpApA4XzKXlgSBnKgH1BpZKEkXC1FvNjVlMbldYWZwZqELsWQlsNkzTo2sNXGtSPbHe6X6XZgoLpyKNxdRHptwVqQL51zXI46Wus-ZPsCG4wKwVCz4A1Q==&c=r4uCkRX7Ci96LJRxOzKZXA54hz8l2KnciWAkCQ80-CB3aDJTcPOV3Q==&ch=hE5is-Ltrg7wSUoZQxWQBanyO67Izl-3VhXw1vpuKnxCkntlQtWoyg==) are in the process of being updated to reflect these updates.

## Alliance Grants – Option 2 Overview



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## NSERC Alliance – OCI VIP Joint Funding

NSERC and Ontario Centres of Excellence (OCI) recently announced a partnership that will enable joint leveraging of funds from Ontario-based small to medium sized enterprises (SMEs) through the both [NSERC Alliance](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/VIP-BIP_eng.asp)and [OCI VIP](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/programs/voucher-for-innovation-and-productivity-vip/)programs, via a single application prOCIss.

This program is ideal for **natural science and engineering** projects with an **Ontario SME** who is providing **$10-15K cash** (plus overhead and an equal amount in-kind) for a **one year** project. Note that Universities are only eligible for “VIP Alliance”. “VIP Engage” is for colleges only.

Project details:

* Overall cash match of 4:1 (2:2:1 for NSERC:OCI partner)
* Partner cash contribution: $10-15K (plus 35% overhead, as per Ontario Tech policy) plus an equal amount (or more) in-kind
* NSERC/OCI contribution: $20-30K **each**
* Total project cash: $50-75K
* Maximum project duration: 12 months

Applicant eligibility:

* Must hold an active NSERC or OCI peer-reviewed grant

Partner eligibility:

* For-profit SME with Ontario R&D and/or manufacturing operations related directly to the project, and the capacity to exploit the research results
* 5-499 global full-time employees
* In operation for a minimum of two years

How to apply:

1. PI discusses project idea with OCI Business Development Manager (BDM)
2. PI, partner, and OCI BDM complete one-page project summary
3. OCI BDM presents project opportunity at OCI-NSERC weekly meeting for discussion and evaluation
4. If invited to submit a full application, PI and partner complete proposal in [NSERC portal](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/onlineservices-servicesenligne/index_eng.asp)
	* [Form 101](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/101/alliance_eng.asp) – joint proposal template (available upon request)
	* [Form 100A](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/100/100A_eng.asp)
	* [Partner Organization Form](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/Alliance_Partner-Alliance_Partenaires_eng.asp)
5. OCI BDM opens application in OCI portal with basic information

Steps 1-3 are **mandatory**. Do not create a joint Alliance-VIP application in the NSERC portal until you are invited to do so.

Review process:

* 4-8 weeks
* NSERC and OCI will issue a joint decision

If you have any questions, or are interested in applying, please contact your Grants Officer.

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## 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 prOCIsses, 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 [Dimensions: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Canada](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/EDI-EDI/Dimensions_Dimensions_eng.asp) 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
	1. **Framework on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion** <http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/EDI-EDI/framework_cadre-de-reference_eng.asp>
	2. **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
	1. **Gender Equity Framework** <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50238.html>
	2. **Tools for Researchers: How to integrate sex and gender into research** <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50836.html>
5. CRC
	1. **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>
	2. 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](https://research.ontariotechu.ca/faculty/uoit-crc-equity%2C-diversity-and-inclusion-awareness-strategy-and-action-plan-.php)
7. Ontario Tech is an Employer Partner with the **Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion** ([CCDI](http://www.ccdi.ca/)) 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. [Click here](http://ccdi.ca/subscribe/) and provide your contact information under “Sign Up for Our Mailing List”. Also, you can view past editions of their *Diversity Ink* newsletter [here](http://ccdi.ca/newsletters/).
* 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](http://ccdi.ca/event-calendar/?category=Webinars) 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](http://ccdi.ca/event-calendar/?category=Community+of+Practice) regularly to see when new dates have been added.

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# **Challenge Questions Initiative**

### **Overview:**

The COVID-19 Challenge Questions Initiative has been established by Ontario's Ministry of Health to help ensure that researchers accessing the Ontario Health Data Platform (OHDP) address high priority COVID-19 research questions that are responsive to the needs of government.  The initiative is also open to researchers not using OHDP.

The objective of the initiative is to accelerate the generation and translation of research and data analytic insights into action responsive to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Challenge Questions are complex questions that are responsive to needs of government, organized as a subset of the COVID-19 Health Research Priorities.  The initiative serves as a call to action for collaboration across machine learning and the wider health research community.  It will be based on an integrated knowledge translation (iKT) approach and challenges researchers to answer complex questions with actionable solutions.

Research areas and Challenge Questions have been developed through discussions with key Ministry COVID-19 advisory committees and with practitioners, researchers, data experts, policy knowledge users, and patients/family advisors.

### Research Areas:

The Challenge Questions are grouped into **seven broad research areas.**Please click on each research area for more information on the Challenge Questions.

* [Vaccination Strategy](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/vaccination-strategy/)
* [Therapeutic Treatment Options and Outcomes](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/therapeutic-treatment-options-and-outcomes/)
* [Pandemic Waves](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/pandemic-waves/)
* [Testing and Surveillance Strategies](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/testing-and-surveillance-strategies/)
* [Population Level Prevention and Containment](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/population-level-prevention-and-containment-strategies/)
* [Health System Resourcing](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/health-system-resourcing/)
* [Health Equity and Vulnerable Populations](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/health-equity-and-vulnerable-populations/)

**The submission process is outlined**[**here.**](https://computeontario.ca/covid-19-health/submitting-expression-of-interest/)

## Update on CIHR’s Policy on Identical and Essentially Identical Applications

As you may know, CIHR—like many other research-funding agencies—has long had a policy that prohibits the submission of identical or essentially identical applications to competitions with overlapping timelines.
CIHR’s [Policy on Identical and Essentially Identical Applications](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50805.html#g-5) can be found in section 5.2 of the CIHR Application Administration Guide (AAG).

The requirements of the policy are based on the principles that CIHR must manage public funds effectively, such that funding is not duplicated for the same research objectives, and that fairness is shown towards those applicants who compete for funding in observance of CIHR’s policies.

This fall, CIHR aims to strengthen the research community’s awareness and understanding of the policy, and to that end, we would appreciate your help in promoting among your networks some recent developments.

What’s new?

* New guidelines have been published to support the community’s understanding of the policy requirements. The CIHR [Guidelines on Identical or Essentially Identical Applications](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52222.html) are located in the Supporting Guidelines section of the Application Administration Guide (AAG).
* A direct link to the policy was added to the Fall 2020 Project Grant competition (and will be added to the FOs for subsequent Project Grant competitions).
* CIHR will be actively screening the applications submitted to the Fall 2020 Project Grant competition for potential applications of concern and staff will be reaching out to the Nominated Principal Applicants (NPAs) for an explanation or clarification to help resolve any discrepancies.
* The NPA’s institution will be copied on confirmed cases of non-compliance. As per the policy, consequences will be determined on a case-by case basis and may require the withdrawal of the application submitted second.
* As part of on-going compliance-monitoring activities, confirmed cases of non-compliance will be tracked by CIHR, for future reference. Should any additional cases associated with an NPA be confirmed, the details would be reported to the Secretariat on the Responsible Conduct of Research, as a breach of the Tri-agency Framework: Responsible Conduct of Research, under [article 3.1 Breaches of Agency Policies](https://rcr.ethics.gc.ca/eng/framework-cadre.html#a3).

For additional questions or concerns, please contact support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

## Mitacs Accelerate

**Internal ORS Deadline:** a minimum of 5 days prior to submission **\***
**External Sponsor Deadline**: Continuous Intake

*\*A hard copy of the complete application package and a* [*Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form*](https://shared.uoit.ca/shared/department/research/documents/Research-Grant-Authorization-August-2011.doc) *with all required signatures* ***must*** *be submitted to the ORS contact by the internal deadline.*

**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 prOCIsses, 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 prOCIss 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>

## Honda Canada Foundation – Grants

**Internal ORS Deadline:** a minimum of 5 days prior to submission*\**
**External Sponsor Deadline**: Continuous Intake

*\*A hard copy of the complete application package and a* [*Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form*](https://shared.uoit.ca/shared/department/research/documents/Research-Grant-Authorization-August-2011.doc) *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 PrOCIss](https://www.hondacanadafoundation.ca/apply-for-funding) ; [Application Instructions](https://grant.grantstream.ca/Honda/gsPageGuide.php3)

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

**Internal ORS Deadline:** a minimum of 5 days prior to submission **\***
**External Sponsor Deadline**: Continuous Intake

*\*A hard copy of the complete application package and a* [*Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form*](https://shared.uoit.ca/shared/department/research/documents/Research-Grant-Authorization-August-2011.doc) *with all required signatures* ***must*** *be submitted to the ORS contact by the internal deadline.*

**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 [Integrated Strategy on Healthy Living and Chronic Disease (ISHLCD)](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/fo-fc/mspphl-pppmvs_s10-eng.php#q1) 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 [Healthy Living Fund](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/hp-ps/hl-mvs/hlu-umvs/hlfund-fondspmvs-eng.php), the [Canadian Diabetes Strategy](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/cd-mc/diabetes-diabete/strategy_funding-strategie_finance-eng.php), the [Cancer Community-Based Program](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/cd-mc/funding-hlcd-mvsmc-eng.php) and the [Cardiovascular Disease](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/cd-mc/cvd-mcv/index-eng.php) program.

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](http://www.un.org/en/ga/ncdmeeting2011/pdf/NCD_draft_political_declaration.pdf). 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:**

| [Submitting at Letter of Intent](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/fo-fc/mspphl-pppmvs-eng.php#a4) | [Project Assessment](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/fo-fc/mspphl-pppmvs-eng.php#a5) | [Official LanguagesRequirement](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/fo-fc/mspphl-pppmvs-eng.php#a7) | [FAQ](http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/fo-fc/mspphl-pppmvs_s10-eng.php#a10)

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

**Internal ORS Deadline:** a minimum of 5 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* [*Research Grant/Contract Authorization (RGA) Form*](https://shared.uoit.ca/shared/department/research/documents/Research-Grant-Authorization-August-2011.doc) *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, OCIanography, 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/>

## CCRF Announces New Funding Opportunity

Today, the Canadian Chiropractic Research Foundation (CCRF) announced its Spring Request for Proposals (RFP), for 2021.

“This call is the larger of our semi-annual RFPs and has the broadest scope,” says Dr. Richard McIlmoyle, CCRF’s Research Committee Chair. “With a funding pool of up to $300,000, we’re seeking scientifically sound submissions that explore gaps in current knowledge, expand on existing studies or bring new perspective to any of our four (4) National Research Priorities.”

This year the PhD requirement for principal investigators has been removed. “Our goal is to receive the highest quality, evidence-based proposals in chiropractic and adjacent healthcare fields.” adds Dr. McIlmoyle. “Thus, we’re very pleased to welcome a wide range of experienced, published researchers to participate in this funding opportunity.”

So, if you are a Canadian researcher with a high impact idea, the CCRF invites you to submit a Letter of Inquiry by midnight, Thursday, May 13th, 2021. Final grant decisions will be made in September 2021. For guidelines, submission details and FAQs, please visit our [website](https://www.canadianchiropracticresearchfoundation.ca/).

“Our rapidly changing social and economic environment has challenged researchers to innovate, collaborate and pool their knowledge and resources in ways they never have before,” says Dr. Chad Kulak, CCRF Chair. “Via our RFP, and thanks to our generous supporters from across the country, we’re honoured to provide continued financial support to this dynamic community who are committed to the advancement of our profession.”

The CCRF invests in national evidence-based research that leads to solutions and improve the health of people suffering with neuromusculoskeletal pain and disability. If you believe in the value of research and the future of our profession, the CCRF invites you to support this ground-breaking work by visiting <https://www.canadianchiropracticresearchfoundation.ca/>

# [NSERC Discovery Horizons](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/Grants-Subs/DH-HD_eng.asp) (Pilot)

**Description**

Discovery Horizons grants support investigator-initiated individual and team projects that broadly integrate or transcend disciplines to advance knowledge in the natural sciences and engineering. The Discovery Horizons program provides NSERC’s entry-point to the [tri-agency interdisciplinary peer-review mechanism](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52470.html). It supports Discovery research projects that would significantly benefit from being assessed by a tri-agency interdisciplinary peer review committee, and aims to:

1. answer natural sciences and engineering (NSE) research questions that are best addressed through interdisciplinary approaches
2. advance NSE disciplines through cross fertilization and new ways of thinking about research questions, ideas and frameworks; approaches and methods; platforms, tools and infrastructure; people, partners and trainees
3. provide leading-edge NSE training for highly qualified personnel (HQP) in interdisciplinary research environments

**Deadlines**

Letter of Intent

ORS deadline for comprehensive review: *June 1, 2021*

ORS deadline for admin review + RGA (**mandatory**): *June 8, 2021*

Agency deadline: *June 15, 2021 at 8 pm*

Full application

ORS deadlines: TBD
Agency deadline: October 18, 2021

**Funding**

$50K to $100K per year for 5 years

**# of Grants**

For this pilot year, NSERC is expecting to award approximately **10-20 grants**

**How to apply**

The Discovery Horizons application process has two stages. All stages of the application must be submitted through the [Convergence Portal](https://www.convergence.gc.ca/en/). **If you currently have an account on NSERC’s Research Portal, please use your existing credentials.**

**Letter of intent**

The LOI is mandatory and includes a brief summary and responses to the four points below.  Reviewers will assess program fit, to identify a limited number of LOI applicants who will be invited (no later than August 16) to submit a full application.

1. Explain how this project would benefit from being assessed by a tri-agency interdisciplinary peer review committee, as opposed to a joint review by [NSERC's Discovery Grants](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/professors-professeurs/grants-subs/dgigp-psigp_eng.asp) evaluation groups
2. Demonstrate that the interdisciplinary approach is essential to achieving the project goals
3. Describe how the interdisciplinary approach enriches HQP training
4. Demonstrate that the interdisciplinary elements are integrated and inseparable (i.e., not sub-projects that could be reviewed on their own merit)

See the [instructions](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/convergence/Instructions-Instructions/DH-HD_eng.asp) for completing a letter of intent for more details.

**Full application**

Selected applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal and will receive further guidance on application requirements with that invitation. The full application instructions (forthcoming) will provide more details.

**For more information**

Consult the [program website](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/Grants-Subs/DH-HD_eng.asp) or contact horizons@nserc-crsng.gc.ca or your Grants Officer:

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*As this is a new program, we anticipate that NSERC will be posting webinar information and/or FAQs in the coming weeks. ORS will continue to disseminate any new information to the research community as it becomes available.*

**Eligibility**

Both individuals and teams may apply to the Discovery Horizons program. The applicant and any co-applicants must all be [eligible to hold NSERC funding](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Eligibility-Admissibilite/faculty-corpsprof_eng.asp). There are no requirements with respect to team size or composition. However, **individuals are only allowed to participate in one Discovery Horizons application, as either an applicant or co-applicant**, per competition cycle.

**Subject matter eligibility and funding from other sources**

An eligible proposal must meet both of the following criteria:

1. Its primary objective must be to advance knowledge in the natural sciences or engineering
2. It must integrate or transcend disciplines in ways that would significantly benefit from peer review by a tri-agency interdisciplinary committee

Applications must indicate that the funds requested from the Discovery Horizons program will be for expenses that are distinct from those covered by support from other sources. For funding applied for, you must indicate that there will be no duplication of funding for the same expense(s) and explain how funds will be used if all applications are successful.

**There is no restriction against holding or applying for a Discovery Grant and a Discovery Horizons Grant simultaneously**, as long as there is no duplication of funding for the same expense. However, based on program eligibility, the same proposal would be not be eligible for both a Discovery Grant and Discovery Horizons Grant.

**The same project cannot be submitted to the** [**Tri-Agency interdisciplinary review panel**](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52470.html) **via a SSHRC Insight Grants or CIHR Project Grant.** SSHRC and CIHR will be launching their entries to the Tri-Agency interdisciplinary peer review panel shortly.

If you have any concerns about applicant or subject matter eligibility, please contact your Grants Officer.

**Resources**

*  [tri-agency interdisciplinary peer review mechanism](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcihr-irsc.gc.ca%2Fe%2F52470.html&data=04%7C01%7CZ-Web%40nserc-crsng.gc.ca%7Ca4ce62435de746e9382908d90bcf275d%7Cfbef079820e34be7bdc8372032610f65%7C1%7C0%7C637553806608864858%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=GemmIN8YAWesDqojJi5NtTZj0Xkm2j8giCrjQ%2FT9fNY%3D&reserved=0)
* [Instructions for completing the letter of intent](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/convergence/Instructions-Instructions/DH-HD_eng.asp)
*  [Selecting the appropriate federal granting agency](https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_FEE7261A.html)
* [Addendum to the guidelines for the eligibility of applications related to health](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/policies-politiques/Addendum-Addenda_eng.asp)
* [Guidelines for the preparation and review of applications in interdisciplinary research](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Policies-Politiques/prepInterdiscip-prepInterdiscip_eng.asp)
* [Guidelines for the preparation and review of applications in engineering and the applied sciences](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Policies-Politiques/prepEngAS-prepGenSA_eng.asp)
* [Guide for applicants: Considering equity, diversity and inclusion in your application](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_doc/EDI/Guide_for_Applicants_EN.pdf)

## Heart & Stroke funding

**Grant-in-aid (GIA)**

Applications for a GIA must be submitted online using [CIRCUlink](https://circulink.heartandstroke.ca/grantium/index.jsf?_ga=2.213999703.1547377872.1592489587-1168177561.1581534076" \t "_blank) by

**Deadline: 16:00 EDT Thursday 26 AUGUST 2021.**

[Grant-in-aid Submission Guidelines](https://authoring.heartandstroke.ca/-/media/research/docs/2022-2023/gia-2022-2023-eng-final.ashx)
[Frequently Asked Questions](https://authoring.heartandstroke.ca/-/media/research/docs/2022-2023/faq-2022-23-eng-final.ashx)

Please note:

* **Note:**Applicants attempting to submit their application at or following the deadline of 16:00:00 EDT will be prevented by CIRCUlink from submitting their application. **There will be no appeal process for a late submission.** We strongly advise applicants to submit their application well before the 16:00:00 EDT deadline.
* **GIA 2022/23 Application Deadline Support Notice:**Heart & Stroke will attempt to provide support to all applicants requiring assistance leading up to the deadline of 16:00 EDT on Thursday 26 August 2021. Please be advised that due to limited resources Heart & Stroke cannot provide any assurances of available support after 15:00 EDT Thursday 26 August 2021. It is the **applicant's responsibility** to ensure that a completed application is submitted prior to the deadline. **Heart & Stroke strongly recommends that applications be submitted well before the 16:00 EDT deadline.**
* Common CV
**Support:** Please note that CCV support is now provided through the CCV centralized help desk: Email: support@cihr-irsc.gc.ca / **Telephone: 613-954-1968 / Toll free: 1-888-603-4178**

**New Investigator**

**Pre-registration**: All New Investigator applicants will be required to pre-register [here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NNI-regisitration-enregistrement-2022-23) by **29 July 2021.**

**Instructions for full application: sent to all pre-registered applicants on the week of 09 August 2021**

**Deadline: 16:00 EDT on Thursday September 02, 2021.**

[New Investigator Guidelines](https://authoring.heartandstroke.ca/-/media/research/docs/2022-2023/ni-2022-23-guidelines-eng-final.ashx)
[Application Form](https://authoring.heartandstroke.ca/-/media/research/docs/2022-2023/ni-2022-23-application-final.ashx)
[Frequently Asked Questions](https://authoring.heartandstroke.ca/-/media/research/docs/2022-2023/faq-2022-23-eng-final.ashx)

Please Note:

* **2022/23 Application Deadline Support Notice**:Heart & Stroke will attempt to provide support to all applicants requiring assistance leading up to the deadline of 16:00 EDT on Thursday, 02 September 2021. Please be advised that due to limited resources the Heart & Stroke cannot provide any assurances of available support after 15:00 EDT Thursday 02 September 2021. It is the **applicant's responsibility**to ensure that a completed application is submitted prior to the deadline. **Heart & Stroke strongly recommends that applications be submitted well before the 16:00 EDT deadline.**
* Referee letters must be confidential and emailed to research@heartandstroke.ca separately from the appropriate referee and must be received by the submission deadline of 2 September 2021 at 16:00 EDT.
* Common CV Support: Please note that CCV support is now provided through the CCV centralized help desk: Email: support@cihr-irsc.gc.ca / **Telephone: 613-954-1968 / Toll free: 1-888-603-4178.**

CIHR Team Grant: Healthy Cities Implementation Science (HCIS) Team Grants

The Healthy Cities Implementation Science (HCIS) Team Grants funding opportunity is offering grants focused on increasing our understanding of how to design, implement and promote the systematic and equitable uptake of evidence-based interventions (i.e.interventions that have been piloted or tested in a setting and found to be promising) in multiple [urban](https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2016/ref/dict/geo049a-eng.cfm)[1](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3482&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#moreinformation) environments to improve population health and well-being.

This funding opportunity will support multi-site implementation science ꟷ population health research studies in specific thematic research areas to understand which interventions/solutions can improve the health and wellbeing of people living in cities, the differential health impacts of these interventions within populations and why they occur.

For the purpose of this funding opportunity, interventions must have a population health focus and aim to positively affect all or some of the people within a city by improving the environmental, social, cultural, and/or structural determinants of health. The interventions can include policy changes, introduction of a new program or practice, and/or physical changes to the environment.

It is expected that successful research projects will engage with the [Healthy Cities Research Training Platform](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3149&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E) to enhance the capacity-building efforts of the HCRI and create opportunities for training and mentorship.

**Thematic Research Areas**

The HCIS Team Grant funding opportunity will support one (1) research project in each of the six (6) thematic research areas described below. Therefore proposed research projects must be relevant to at least (1) thematic area but may also be relevant to multiple thematic areas.

The six (6) CIHR thematic research areas are:

* Healthcare systems, services and policies
* Healthy aging
* Musculoskeletal health, mobility or prevention (including skin and oral health)
* Type 2 diabetes prevention
* Urban Indigenous health
* Population and public health

Opportunity for Supplementary Funding from the Public Health Agency of Canada

Supplementary funding from the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) is also available to support the HCIS Team Grant research projects; and will focus on the promotion of healthy living and the prevention of chronic disease (see “Supplementary Funding from the Public Health Agency of Canada” below). This supplemental funding is available through PHAC’s [Healthy Canadians and Communities Fund](https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/funding-opportunities/grant-contribution-funding-opportunities/healthy-canadians-communities-fund-overview.html) (HCCF) and aligns with the Chief Public Health Officer’s 2017 Report on the State of Public Health in Canada titled [Designing Healthy Living](https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/chief-public-health-officer-reports-state-public-health-canada/2017-designing-healthy-living.html).

**Partner Linkage Tool**

CIHR is providing a [linkage tool](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/51708.html) for the Healthy Cities Research Initiative (HCRI) designed to facilitate partnerships between researchers as well as municipal or other government organizations, non-governmental organizations, community-based organizationsor other organizations should there be interest. This is not a mandatory tool. Information is provided on a voluntary basis and does not confer any advantages in the evaluation and funding of applications. The table will be updated weekly, until the application deadline. If you would like to use this tool, please complete this short [form](https://na1se.voxco.com/SE/?st=10PfBH%2FDtvE%2FgoRZ4cwxGjgA61uFKpQT0pjFJvVeXSw%3D). The information you provide will appear on a public CIHR web page. Please note that potential applicants are not required to use the linkage tool or contact those who have submitted their information.

## **Funding Availability**

* The total CIHR and PHAC amount available for this funding opportunity is up to $27,450,000 as detailed below. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate.
* Of the $18,450,000 available from CIHR:
	+ $450,000 is available at the LOI stage to fund up to 18 Development and Engagement grants (three (3) in each thematic research area) up to $25,000 each, if requested, for a period of one (1) year;
	+ At the full application stage, a total of $18,000,000 (not including Partner Funding – see below) is available, enough to fund a minimum of six (6) grants. The maximum amount per grant is $500,000 per year for up to six (6) years, for a total of $3,000,000 per grant.
		- $3,000,000 is available to fund one application relevant to the healthcare systems, services and policies thematic area;
		- $3,000,000 is available to fund one application relevant to the healthy aging thematic area;
		- $3,000,000 is available to fund one application relevant to the musculoskeletal health , mobility or prevention thematic area;
		- $3,000,000 is available to fund one application relevant to the type 2 diabetes prevention thematic area;
		- $3,000,000 is available to fund one application relevant to the Urban Indigenous health thematic area; and
		- $3,000,000 is available to fund one application relevant to the population and public health thematic area.
* Of the $9,000,000 available from PHAC at the full application stage:
	+ $9,000,000 is available to support applications relevant to PHAC priorities, as described above, enough to fund a minimum of three (3) supplemental grants. The maximum amount per grant is $500,000 per year for up to six years, for a total supplementary funding of up to $3,000,000 per grant over six (6) years.

**Webinar**

CIHR and PHAC will be hosting webinar(s) to support participants with the requirements of this funding opportunity and to answer questions. For more information and to register, visit the CIHR [Webinars](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/45096.html) page.

**How to apply**

* The application process for this funding opportunity is comprised of two steps:  Letter of Intent and Full Application.
* To complete your Letter of Intent, follow the instructions in the [Team Grants/ Emerging Team Grants - ResearchNet "Letter of Intent" Phase Instructions Checklist](http://www.cihr.gc.ca/e/39311.html) along with any additional instructions found below under “Specific Instructions”.
* To complete your Full Application, follow the instructions in the [Team Grants / Emerging Team Grants – ResearchNet “Application” Phase Instructions](http://www.cihr.gc.ca/e/40273.html) along with any additional instructions found below under “Specific Instructions”.
* All participants listed, with the exception of Collaborators will:
	+ Require a [CIHR PIN](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38201.html)
	+ To complete the [Equity and Diversity Questionnaire](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50959.html).
* Organizations applying as Nominated Principal Applicants must contact [CIHR's Contact Centre](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3482&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#contact) for guidance in creating a ResearchNet account, registering for a CIHR PIN.
* Note: All documents must be in PDF format and must adhere to the guidelines for attachments on the [Acceptable Application Formats and Attachments](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29300.html).

**For more information**

Consult the [program website](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3482&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#howtoapply) or CIHR at support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca or your Grants Officer:

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## Canadian Cancer Society/CIHR - Action Grants: Proof of Concept Interventions in Primary Cancer Prevention

The Canadian Cancer Society (CCS), the Canadian Institutes of Health Research - Institute of Cancer Research (CIHR-ICR), the Canadian Institutes of Health Research - Institute of Indigenous Peoples’ Health (IIPH), and partners have committed approximately $5M over one year to jointly fund up to 25 Proof-of-Concept Grants focused on interventions in **Primary Cancer Prevention**.

The intent of this **Phase 1: CCS/CIHR Action Grants** program is to motivate Canadians to take “action” to avoid known modifiable risk factors for cancer and to encourage the research and end-user communities to take “action” towards harnessing new ideas, platforms and technologies from within and outside the cancer field to test out bold, novel interventions with the potential to prevent cancer.

This funding opportunity is not intended to generate new knowledge, except in areas with an identified gap, but rather to take the knowledge we already have and accelerate the development, implementation and evaluation of **novel interventions** that bring new technologies, resources, perspectives and expertise to bear in preventing cancer for all people living in Canada.

The goal is to stimulate the necessary multidisciplinary and multi-sector collaborations needed to test the feasibility of small-scale interventions, applying creative concepts with scalable and/or modifiable potential. The focus is strictly on **interventions** in **primary** cancer prevention, i.e. stopping cancer before it starts. Proposals related to secondary/tertiary prevention will not be considered.

For this competition, there is a limit of **one** application per nominated Principal Investigator.

Applications from Early- and Mid-Career Researchers (within 5 and 15 years of their first academic appointment, respectively) are strongly encouraged. In addition, researchers from non-traditional disciplines, outside the cancer field, are also strongly encouraged.

#### **How to Apply**

The application guide can be found on the [EGrAMS documentation for applicants](https://www.cancer.ca/en/research/grants-and-awards/applications/user-documentation/documentation-for-applicants/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) page.

#### **DSS**

1. A [TRAQ DSS](http://www.queensu.ca/traq) is only required at the full application stage for this funding opportunity. The TRAQ must contain a draft copy of the proposal and budget/budget justification (as well as a copy of the [hospital impact form](https://www.queensu.ca/traq/sites/webpublish.queensu.ca.traqwww/files/files/Hospital%20Departmental%20Impact%20and%20Information%20Form%20FINAL%20%28June%2021%202018%29.pdf)(PDF, 805 KB), if the research is [hospital-based](http://www.queensu.ca/traq/sites/webpublish.queensu.ca.traqwww/files/files/Hospital-based%20Research%20Frequently%20Asked%20Questions%20%28FAQ%29%20FINAL%20%28April%2014%202017%29.pdf) (PDF, 540KB)).The TRAQ must be submitted 15 business days before the application deadline (if the research is hospital-based) or 5 business days in advance of the application deadline (if the research is not hospital-based).
2. Email Research Project Advisor to request sign-off.

**For more information**

Consult the [program website](https://www.cancer.ca/en/research/grants-and-awards/current-funding-opportunities/action-grants/) or Cara Spence, Acting Director at cspence@shrf.ca or your Grants Officer:

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## [**Genome Applications Partnership Program (GAPP)**](https://www.ontariogenomics.ca/funding-opportunities/open-competitions/genomic-applications-partnership-program-gapp/)

**Description**

The GAPP funds public-private research collaborations focused on validating genomics-derived technologies that address opportunities and challenges identified by industry, government, not-for-profits or other “Receptors” of genomics knowledge and tools across all sectors. The program provides a unique opportunity for Receptor organizations to collaborate with an ’omics researcher, and to leverage their R&D investments with public funding.

**Application Process**

There is a three stage, gated application process:

1. Expression of Interest (EOI)
2. Project Pitch (by invitation only)
3. Supplementary Proposal

The EOI and Project Pitch content resembles a business case for the proposed project.

**Value:** $300K - $6M (total)

**Duration:** 2 – 3 years

**Important Dates**

**Inform your grants officer that you will apply at least one month before the draft EOI due date.**

**Round 21\***

Draft EOI Due Date:Aug 10, 2021

Final EOI Due Date: Oct 12, 2021

**Round 22\***

Draft EOI Due Date: Nov 3, 2021

Final EOI Due Date: Jan 11, 2022

**Round 23\***

Draft EOI Due Date - Feb 8, 2022

Final EOI Due Date – Apr 12, 2022

\*All GAPP dates are subject to change and are dependent on available funding

**How to Apply:**

1. Register your intent to apply to Ontario Genomics and obtain EOI form.
2. Complete a draft EOI and submit to Ontario Genomics.
3. Present a face-to-face business pitch to Ontario Genomics’ GAPP Review Panel ([see panel members](https://www.ontariogenomics.ca/funding-opportunities/open-competitions/genomic-applications-partnership-program-gapp/gapp-review-panel/)).
4. Develop the final EOI through active collaboration with Ontario Genomics.
5. Submit EOI to Genome Canada via Ontario Genomics.

For teams invited to Project Pitch stage:

1. Present practice pitch to Ontario Genomics before official pitch to Genome Canada.
2. For teams invited to Supplementary Proposal stage:

Submit draft applications to Ontario Genomics for panel review before submission to Genome Canada.

**Forms**

* [Investment Strategy and Guidelines](https://www.genomecanada.ca/sites/default/files/pdf/en/gc-gappinvestmentstrategyandguidelines.pdf)
* [Ontario Genomics Quick Financial Guide (GAPP)](https://www.ontariogenomics.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/1/2018/04/201803_OG-GAPP-QuickFinancialGuide.pdf)
* [Summary of Ontario Genomics’ Support Process](https://www.ontariogenomics.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/GAPP-Graphic_2021-FINAL.pdf)

**For more information**

Visit [project website](https://www.genomecanada.ca/en/programs/translation/funding-opportunities/genomic-applications-partnership-program). Contact Ann Meyer, Sector Innovation and Programs at ameyer@ontariogenomics.ca or contact your Grants Officer

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## NSERC PromoScience

NSERC's PromoScience Program offers financial support for organizations working with young Canadians to promote an understanding of science and engineering (including mathematics and technology). Organizations may request funds for up to three years at a time.

PromoScience supports hands-on learning experiences for young students and their teachers. Grants may be used to cover improvements to program content or delivery, as well as for new programs and activities. Grants can also be used to cover operational costs such as salaries, travel, postage, materials and supplies, provided that they relate to the promotion of science and engineering.

PromoScience grants support organizations that:

* Work with young Canadians to inspire an interest in science and engineering;
* Motivate young people to study science and engineering and to pursue careers in these fields;
* Bring interactive, hands-on science experiences to young people.

These include organizations that:

* Focus on groups that are traditionally under-represented in scientific and engineering careers;
* Provide instruction and resources to science, math and technology teachers.

## **Eligibility**

**Only one application may be submitted per faculty member per department per competition year. If more than one person applies from your department, your Dean/Associate Dean will have to select one application to move forward. Please notify** **lisa.kozycz@ontariotechu.ca** **by August 3rd if you plan on applying so that ORS can determine if an internal competition is required.**

PromoScience supports hands-on learning experiences for young students and their teachers. Grants may be used to cover improvements to program content or delivery, as well as for new programs and activities. Grants can also be used to cover operational costs such as salaries, travel, postage, materials and supplies, provided that they relate to the promotion of science and engineering.

Note that grants may not be used to support research.

**Value:** $200,000 for three years. NSERC will only cover one-third of a program’s funding.

**Deadlines**

Notification of intent to apply: August 3, 2021

ORS deadline for internal review: August 23 (**Mandatory**)

Department/Faculty decisions: week of August 30th

NSERC (External) Deadline: September 15, 2021

**For more information**

Contact promoscience@nserc-crsng.gc.ca or contact your Grants Officer

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## World Wildlife Fund – Canada’s Second Technology Challenge

#### WWF-Canada’s second technology challenge – Nature x Carbon – is making it easier to identify carbon-rich ecosystems that need protection and measure the impacts of restoration and land use changes. WWF-Canada is seeking cost-effective, innovative and user-friendly technologies (hardware and/or software) to support community-led carbon measurement of nature-based climate solutions in Canada.

**Challenge Streams**

1. Biomass
2. Soils
3. Ecosystems

**Value:**

$25,000 to support participation in validation phase

$100,00 for Final Award Recipients\*

\* Up to five finalists of the Nature x Carbon Tech Challenge will have the opportunity to test their technology solutions on the ground with communities that are already implementing nature-based climate solution projects.

**Important Dates**

**2021**

July-Aug: Information Webinars

September 7 – November: Proposal Submission

**2022**

January 17-21st: Pitch Week

March: Finalists Announced

**2023**

April/May: Review and selection of Final Award Recipients

**Information Webinars:**

Over the summer, we’ll be hosting webinars, providing opportunities for potential applicants to connect with the Challenge team, and sharing more information to help participants create their submissions. We’ll start accepting proposals on September 7th, 2021.

Anyone interested can [learn more and register here](https://techhub.wwf.ca/conservation-tech-challenges/nature-x-carbon/)

**For more information**

Connect with WWF-Canada to get tips on your proposal. Contact Jessica Currie at challenge@wwfcanada.org or contact your Grants Officer

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## New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF)– 2021 Exploration Competition

**Description**

The goal of the Exploration stream is to inspire **high-risk**, **high-reward** and **interdisciplinary** research.

Exploration grants support research that pushes boundaries into exciting new areas. Researchers are encouraged to think “outside of the box,” undertake research that would defy current paradigms, and bring disciplines together in unexpected ways and from bold, innovative perspectives. With the Exploration stream, there is recognition that innovation often carries risk; proposals for high-risk research projects that have the potential to deliver game-changing impacts are strongly encouraged.

Exploration stream grants support projects that:

* **bring disciplines together** beyond traditional disciplinary or common interdisciplinary approaches;
* propose to **explore something new**, which **might fail**; and
* have the **potential for significant impact**.

All competition documents are available on our [website](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca%2Ffunding-financement%2Fnfrf-fnfr%2Fexploration%2F2021%2Fcompetition-concours-eng.aspx&data=04%7C01%7CGabriela.Jamett%40sshrc-crsh.gc.ca%7C99443180b74e415c4fa808d940760a46%7Cfbef079820e34be7bdc8372032610f65%7C1%7C0%7C637611697994477233%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=sIsEu6vcrWCQvNP9ddvmjo86x2FzHYFqkCtR9x4pIVQ%3D&reserved=0), and the [Convergence Portal](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.convergence.gc.ca%2F&data=04%7C01%7CGabriela.Jamett%40sshrc-crsh.gc.ca%7C99443180b74e415c4fa808d940760a46%7Cfbef079820e34be7bdc8372032610f65%7C1%7C0%7C637611697994487191%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=4EIpgMKyBtbtDfBzgZcag4f14jV76%2BP2IaezvmjOvzY%3D&reserved=0) is open.

**\*NEW this round\***

* There are no notable changes. The 2021 competition will continue with two stages: Notice of intent to apply (NOI) and full application. The [Tri-Agency Guide on Financial Administration](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/InterAgency-Interorganismes/TAFA-AFTO/guide-guide_eng.asp) serves as the general guidelines for eligibility of expenses and use of funds related to the direct costs of research. Exceptions to those policies for Exploration grants are noted in the [competition overview](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx).

**Webinar**

In preparation for the NOI deadline, **all applicants interested in submitting a NOI are encouraged to participate in the upcoming webinar**. The webinar will be recorded and they will be made available along with the presentation slides to the research administrators after the session

 **July 13th – 2021 Exploration NOI – English**

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Time

[Meeting link](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fsshrcvideo.webex.com%2Fsshrcvideo%2Fonstage%2Fg.php%3FMTID%3Decbce56ad7ac37fcd4a33407e4331e98d&data=04%7C01%7CGabriela.Jamett%40sshrc-crsh.gc.ca%7C99443180b74e415c4fa808d940760a46%7Cfbef079820e34be7bdc8372032610f65%7C1%7C0%7C637611697994497149%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=%2FWvgm78wwmTpW0OX2uJaQuN0%2BMTX%2FQZe1t7U9FKhu20%3D&reserved=0) – Event password: KcwdeVSs354

**Notice of Intent**

**Mandatory ORS deadline to submit your NOI in the Convergence Portal (no RGA required): Monday, August 9th at 9 am**

Agency Deadline: Tuesday, August 10th

**Full Application**

ORS deadline for comprehensive review: Tuesday, September 21st

**ORS deadline for administrative review -** **mandatory**: **Tuesday, October 12th**

ORS deadline to submit in Convergence Portal (and send RGA form): Monday, October 18th at 9 am

Agency Deadline: Tuesday, October 19th

**Value**

Up to $125,000 per year ($100,000 for direct costs; $25,000 for overhead)

**Duration**

Up to 2 years

**Competition Budget**

A minimum of $25M over two years

**Number of Grants**

A minimum of 100

A proportion of awards equal to the proportion of applications received from [early career researchers](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx) will be reserved for them.

**Results Announced & Grant Start Date**

By March 31, 2022

**How to apply**

All applicants must complete the notice of intent to apply and submit a full application.

See the [Notice of Intent to Apply Guide](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/guide_NOI-guide_AIPD-eng.aspx) and the [Full Application Guide](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/guide_application-guide_demande-eng.aspx) for more information. Other useful resources to assist in the completion of your application include [Best Practices in Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Research](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/edi-eng.aspx) and the [evaluation matrices](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/merit_indicators-indicateurs_du_merite-eng.aspx).

**For More information**

Consult the [program website](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx), [FAQs](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/faq-eng.aspx) or contact the program officer or your Faculty Grants Officer:

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**Eligibility**

**Researchers at all career stages are invited to apply to this round.**

To encourage projects that push the boundaries in terms of interdisciplinarity, proposals must be submitted by research teams composed of **at least two individuals**. In addition to a [nominated principal investigator](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx#4c) (NPI), the team must include either a [co-principal investigator](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx#4d) (co-PI) or a [co-applicant](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx#4e). Teams may include **up to one co-PI** and **any number of co-applicants and/or**[**collaborators**](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/competition-concours-eng.aspx#4f).

To ensure that Exploration grants support high-risk, high-reward projects across the broadest spectrum of disciplines, individuals can participate in **only one Exploration stream application or grant** at one time as either an NPI, co-PI or co-applicant. These restrictions do not apply to collaborators. These restrictions also do not apply to the NFRF Transformation and International streams. An individual may simultaneously apply or be an award holder as an NPI, co-PI or co-applicant for grants under separate streams (Exploration, Transformation and International).

For a proposal to be considered led by early career researchers (ECRs), both the NPI and co-PI (if applicable) must be ECRs. An ECR is a researcher within five years from the start date of their first research-related appointment, minus the length of any eligible delays in research (e.g., illness, maternity, parental), as of the first day of the month in which the competition is launched (June 1, 2021, for this Exploration competition).

**Subject Matter**

Exploration grants support projects that are high risk, high reward and interdisciplinary. They may involve any disciplines, thematic areas, approaches or subject areas eligible for funding across the three agencies. **Applications are encouraged from all Faculties.**

To meet the minimum requirement to be considered **interdisciplinary**, a proposed research project must combine elements from at least two different disciplines (as defined by a [group-level classification](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/CRDC_Web_EF.xlsx) based on the [Canadian Research and Development Classification](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/crdc-ccrd-eng.aspx)). **Note that projects that incorporate two disciplines with a long and established tradition of working together (eg. biology and chemistry or psychology and education) may satisfy the above requirement but not meet the expectations of the program.** The onus is on the applicant to explain the novelty of the interdisciplinary approach to justify the fit to program.

Applications for projects that are the same or similar, in whole or in part, to ones that have been funded by other agency programs should not be submitted to the NFRF program. **Applications for the same or similar projects that have been unsuccessful in other agency programs may be submitted to the NFRF program in cases where the reason for the lack of success is the high risk and/or interdisciplinary nature of the project, rather than limited funds in a highly competitive pool.**

**Resources**

* [Notice of Intent to Apply Guide](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/guide_NOI-guide_AIPD-eng.aspx)
* [Full Application Guide](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/guide_application-guide_demande-eng.aspx)
* [2021 Exploration Review Manual](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/reviewers_manual-guide_de_l_evaluateur-eng.aspx)
* [Best Practices in Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Research](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/edi-eng.aspx)
* [Evaluation Matrices](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/merit_indicators-indicateurs_du_merite-eng.aspx)
* [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/exploration/2021/faq-eng.aspx)

## Imagining Canada’s Future (ICF) Ideas Lab – Canada’s Circular Economy

An Ideas Lab is an innovative way to stimulate and support interdisciplinary projects that present creative solutions to pressing global challenges. There are three components to the ICF Ideas Lab framework: the workshop, the application for the funding opportunity and the project development phase.

**Requirements**

#### **Stage 1: Virtual workshop**

Successful applicants to this workshop will be expected to:

* actively participate in all workshop activities scheduled to take place October 18 to 29, 2021;
* contribute to the formation of interdisciplinary teams at the workshop, which will develop project ideas addressing the theme of Canada and the Circular Economy; and
* as part of a team, present a project idea to the merit review committee on the last day of the workshop, outlining how the team and project idea meet the interdisciplinary, innovative and societal relevance criteria of this funding opportunity.

\*No research funding will be provided during Stage 1 of the ICF Ideas Lab.

**Application Deadline**: July 16th, 2021

Workshop Dates: October 18-29, 2021

#### **Stage 2: Funding opportunity**

Following the workshop, the merit review committee will evaluate the project ideas presented on the final day and select the teams with the most promising proposals that meet the ICF Ideas Lab criteria. These teams will be invited to apply for funding to support the development of their partnerships and the advancement of their project ideas.

Successful teams that are selected for funding will be expected to:

* formalize their partnerships through agreements, governance frameworks and/or strategic plans;
* establish connections with stakeholders in relevant sectors;
* advance their project by undertaking preliminary research;
* participate in a forum (virtual or in-person) organized by SSHRC; and
* seek out full project funding from SSHRC and other research agencies at the end of the two-year grant.

Only those teams whose project ideas and partnerships successfully meet the workshop’s evaluation criteria will be invited to apply for funding. There is no limit on the number of teams to be invited.

ICF Ideas Lab grants are valued at up to $125,000 per year over two years, up to a total of $250,000. Up to three grants will be awarded.

## **Eligibility**

The ICF Ideas Lab is open to researchers from the social sciences and humanities as well as other disciplines.

**For More information**

Consult the  [ICF website](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/ideas_lab-carrefour_d-idees-eng.aspx) or contact your Faculty Grants Officer:

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