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# Announcements

## New announcements

1. **Transforming Low Survival Cancers Pre-Announcement:** [CCS Breakthrough Team Grants](https://cancer.ca/en/research/for-researchers/funding-opportunities/preccs-breakthrough-team-grants): View anticipated launch and timelines for this team grant.

## Reminders

1. **ORS Staff change for FESNS and FEAS**: Contact [Joanne Hui](mailto:joanne.hui@ontariotechu.ca) for any grants related questions.
2. [Special Response Fund for Trainees](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/NewsDetail-DetailNouvelles_eng.asp?ID=1317) (Ukraine)
3. **CIHR**’**s Anti-Racism Action Plan:** [Update](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52900.html) and summary of findings from[Environmental Scan](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52899.html)
4. **NSERC Alliance Option 2** Cost Sharing Ratio simplified to one single cost sharing ratio – [Update](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/NewsDetail-DetailNouvelles_eng.asp?ID=1308)
5. **SSHRC** collaboration with the **National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation** – [Press Release](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/news_room-salle_de_presse/latest_news-nouvelles_recentes/2022/nctr_partnership-partenariat_cnvr-eng.aspx)
6. Government of Canada reinforces **support for organization to counter harmful disinformation** – [Press Release](https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/news/2022/03/government-of-canada-reinforces-support-to-organizations-to-help-counter-harmful-disinformation.html)

# Funding Opportunities

Grants Officers will provide administrative review of grant applications to ensure completeness with agency guidelines and assist with institutional signatures.**Submit your proposal for administrative review a minimum of five business days** **before the agency deadline.**

**Note:** To learn about internal ORS information, deadlines and requirements, open the word version of this bulletin and click on **‘Internal ORS Info.’**

## **New this month**

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| **Agency-Program** | **Internal Deadline** | **First Agency Deadline** |
| Canadian Cancer Society – [Accelerator Grants](https://cancer.ca/en/research/for-researchers/funding-opportunities/ccs-accelerator-grants) | May 20, 2022 | May 25, 2022 |
| Ontario Early Researcher Award Round 17 – [Internal NOI](#_Ontario_Early_Researcher) | May 30, 2022 |  |
| [Space-based intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (SB-ISR) imagery for decision making](https://www.canada.ca/en/department-national-defence/programs/defence-ideas/element/competitive-projects/challenges/the-needle-in-the-haystack-space-based-intelligence-surveillance-and-reconnaissance-sb-isr-imagery-for-decision-making.html) (DND) | May 25, 2022 | May 31, 2022 |
| [Sub-zero infrastructure, security and sensor: safekeeping assets in the Artic](https://www.canada.ca/en/department-national-defence/programs/defence-ideas/element/competitive-projects/challenges/sub-zero-infrastructure-security-and-sensory-safekeeping-assets-in-the-arctic.html) (DND) | May 25, 2022 | May 31, 2022 |
| [Establishing and maintaining broadband connectivity in remote and hostile areas](https://www.canada.ca/en/department-national-defence/programs/defence-ideas/element/competitive-projects/challenges/sub-zero-infrastructure-security-and-sensory-safekeeping-assets-in-the-arctic.html) (DND) | May 25, 2022 | May 31, 2022 |
| OVIN Ontario Grant for SMEs to develop, test and validate innovative technologies – [Round 1](https://www.ovinhub.ca/programs-overview/) | May 30, 2022 | June 3, 2022 |
| OVIN Ontario Grant for SMEs – [Partnership Fund](https://www.ovinhub.ca/programs-overview/) | May 30, 2022 | June 3, 2022 |
| [Parkinson’s Digital Health Application Grant](https://www.parkinsonresearch.ca/res/p/RFA/) | May 31, 2022 | June 6, 2022 |
| [Mitacs Globalink Research Internship](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/globalink/globalink-research-internship?utm_source=ClickDimension&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Calls_for_Proposals_Email_APR2022&_cldee=yq_8UjYp4NSb4l5oFFfWu3HQ2JSNYmvaIKcf1siZoy9-Y5pM1TTKD112_dC0GGzH&recipientid=contact-6c619d70d756ea11a811000d3af3afcd-8dcdb0f0f5734436818c09be651106c5&esid=da7f7222-77c1-ec11-983e-0022483d0b69) (GRI) | June 2, 2022 | June 8, 2022 |
| [Psilocybin-assisted Psychotherapy for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=3678&view=browseActive&sponsor=CIHR-12&type=EXACT&resultCount=25&next=1) - CIHR | June 3, 2022 | June 9, 2022 |
| [Discovery Horizons](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/Grants-Subs/DH-HD_eng.asp)   * Discovery Horizon – [ORS Internal Info. and deadlines](#_NSERC_Discovery_Horizons_1) | June 10, 2022 | June 16, 2022 |
| Summer 2022 [Blood Efficiency Accelerator Program](https://www.blood.ca/en/research/our-research-activities/our-research-funding-opportunities/blood-efficiency-accelerator-award-program) | June 9, 2022 | July 15, 2022 |
| [The NRC’s Artic and Norther Challenge Program](https://nrc.canada.ca/en/research-development/research-collaboration/programs/nrcs-arctic-northern-challenge-program-first-call-proposals) | June 13, 2022 | June 17, 222 |
| JDRF: [Early-Career Patient-Oriented Diabetes Research Awards](https://grantcenter.jdrf.org/information-for-applicants/grant-mechanism-descriptions/early-career-patient-oriented-diabetes-research-awards/) | June 23, 2022 | June 29, 2022 |
| [JDRF: Career Development Awards](https://grantcenter.jdrf.org/rfa/career-development-awards/): accepting applications in the area of psychosocial and behavioural health. | June 23, 2022 | June 29, 2022 |
| [Mitacs Elevate](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/elevate/program-details/postdoctoral-fellows) for Fellows who will work in agriculture, AI, biomanufacturing, clean tech, entertainment and media, social innovation. | June 29, 2022 | July 6, 2022 |
| OVIN Ontario Grant for SMEs – [Round 2](https://www.ovinhub.ca/programs-overview/) | Nov 10, 2022 | Nov 16, 2022 |

## **Current Funding Opportunities**

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| **Agency-Program** | **Internal Deadline** | **First Agency Deadline** |
| [International Policy Ideas Challenge for Post Docs](https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/study_work_travel-etude_travail_voyage/proposals-2022-propositions.aspx?lang=eng) – Global Affairs Canada | May 16, 2022 | May 20, 2022 |
| [CIHR Team Grant: Mental Health in Early Years Implementation Science](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3648&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E) | May 17, 2022 | May 23, 2022 |
| [NSERC Idea to Innovation Grants (I2I).](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/RPP-PP/I2I-INNOV_eng.asp)  Contact [Alla.Darwish@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:Alla.Darwish@ontariotechu.ca) | May 30, 2022 | June 27, 2022 |
| [SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/partnership_engage_grants-subventions_d_engagement_partenarial-eng.aspx) | June 9, 2022 | June 15, 2022 |
| [SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant – Residential Schools Joint Initiative](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/peg_residential_schools_joint_initiative-sep_initiative_conjointe_pensionnats_autochtones-eng.aspx#4)   * [SSHRC – Internal ORS Info.](#_SSHRC_Partnership_Engage) | June 9, 2022 | June 15, 2022 |
| [SSHRC Connections Grants](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx) | July 25, 2022 | Aug 1, 2022 |

## **Ongoing Opportunities – No Deadline**

**Notify ORS of your intention to apply a minimum of 2-3 weeks before you intend to submit your proposal.**

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| **Agency-Program** | **Disciplines** |
| **City Studio Durham:** [**matching students with real-world projects**](https://www.durham.ca/en/citystudio/index.aspx)   * Contact [Danielle.Saney@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:Danielle.Saney@ontariotechu.ca) | All |
| **Teaching City Oshawa:** [**addressing Oshawa’s urban issues through research and innovation**](https://www.oshawa.ca/teaching-city.asp)   * Contact [Danielle.Saney@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:Danielle.Saney@ontariotechu.ca) | All |
| **NSERC Alliance**   * [NSERC Alliance](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/innovate-innover/alliance-alliance/index_eng.asp) – [Internal ORS Info.](#_CIHR_Operating_Grant:) * [NSERC Alliance International](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/AllianceInternational-AllianceInternational/index_eng.asp) – [Internal ORS Info.](#_NSERC_Alliance_International) | FSci; FEAS; FESNS |
| **Mitacs**   * [Mitacs Accelerate](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/accelerate) - [Internal ORS Info.](#_Mitacs_Accelerate) * [Mitacs Accelerate: Connecting SMEs with AI](http://discover.mitacs.ca/artificial-intelligence-assessment/) * [Mitacs Business Strategy Internship (BSI)](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/business-strategy-internship) * [Mitacs Entrepreneur International](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/entrepreneur-international) * [Mitacs Globalink Research Award (GRA)](https://research.ontariotechu.ca/mitacs-globalink-research-award-gra.php) * [Joint NSERC Alliance – Mitacs Accelerate Streamlined Funding](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/NSERC-Alliance-Mitacs_eng.asp) | All |
| **Cisco Research** [**– Research Grants**](https://research.cisco.com/research-grants/RFP-21-05)   * Quantum Computing and Networking * Tech for Healthcare * Edge Computing * Future of Work | Sciences; Engineering; Nuclear; Health; Business and IT |
| **Canada Space Agency** - [Programs](https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/funding-programs/programs/default.asp)   * Flights and Fieldwork for the Advancement of Science and Technology (FAST) * Space Data Utilization * Space Exploration * Research and Development * International opportunities | Sciences; Engineering; Nuclear; Health; Business and IT |
| **Government of Canada Department of National Defence (DND)**  [**DND** Innovation for Defence Excellence and Security **(IDEaS) Program**](https://www.canada.ca/en/department-national-defence/programs/defence-ideas/current-opportunities.html) | All |
| **Ontario Centre for Innovation (OCI)**  To drive commercialization of intellectual property   * [Voucher for Innovation and Productivity](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/program-nav/voucher-for-innovation-and-productivity-vip/) * [OCI TalentEdgeInternship Program (TIP) - NGNP](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/programs/talentedge-internship-program-tip-ngnp/) * [OCI TalentEdge Fellowship Program (TFP) - OVIN](https://www.oc-innovation.ca/programs/ontario-vehicle-innovation-network-ovin/talentedge-fellowship-program-tfp-ovin/) * [Joint NSERC Alliance – OCI VIP Funding](#_NSERC_Alliance_–) | Sciences; Engineering; Nuclear; Health; Business and IT |
| **Gates Foundation** [Global Grand Challenges Grants](https://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/challenges) | Health; Sciences; Business and IT;  Social Sciences and Humanities |
| **RBC**: [Youth Mental Well-being Grants](https://www.rbc.com/community-social-impact/apply-for-funding/youth-mental-wellbeing-guidelines.html) | Social Sciences; Health; Business and IT |
| **Honda Canada** [Foundation Grants](https://forms.benevity.org/14addae7-0ebd-46b0-83a0-f9e193b6ccd1?lang=en-us)   * [Internal ORS Info.](#_Honda_Canada_Foundation) | Health; Sciences; Business and IT;  Social Sciences; Engineering; Sciences |
| **IC-IMPACTS:** [Innovative Technology Demonstration Projects](https://ic-impacts.com/call-for-proposal/innovative-demonstration-initiative/) | Health; Sciences; Business and IT;  Social Sciences; Engineering; Sciences |
| **Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction**: [Building resilient communities](https://www.iclr.org/researcher/) | Health; Sciences; Business and IT;  Social Sciences and humanities; Engineering; Sciences |
| **Ontario Health Data Platform:** The Challenge Questions Initiative on  COVID-19. [Expressions of Interest](https://ohdp.ca/submitting-expression-of-interest/) | Health; Sciences; Business and IT;  Social Sciences and Humanities |
| **Government of Canada Multi-sectoral Partnership**s [to Promote Health 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)   * [Internal ORS Info.](#_Transport_Canada,_Clean) | Sciences; Health; Business and IT; Social Sciences and Humanities; Engineering |
| **The National Geographic Society**: [Research and Exploration Grant Application](https://www.nationalgeographic.org/society/grants-and-investments/); [Internal ORS Info.](#_Spencer_Foundation,_Initiative)  Current topics include:   * AI for Earth Innovation * Equity and the Natural World * Enduring Impacts: Archaeology of Sustainability | Sciences; Engineering; Nuclear; Health; Business and IT; Social Sciences and Humanities |
| **SOSCIP Collaborative R&D projects** [for academia and industry partners](https://www.soscip.org/soscip-application-guide/) | Sciences; Health; Business and IT; Engineering |
| **Max Bell Foundation:** [Project and Development Grants](https://maxbell.org/our-work/granting/types-programs/)   * Environment * Health and Wellness * Education * Improving indigenous health * Impact of Tech on society | Sciences; Health; Business and IT; Social Sciences and Humanities; Engineering |

# ORS – Internal processes, information and contacts

## Grant Submission Process

**Step 1 - Notification of Intent to Apply:**  Engage the 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.

**Step 2 (Optional) - Comprehensive Proposal Review**: If you would like a comprehensive review of your grant application, submit it to the appropriate Grants Officer **three weeks to one month** in advance of the agency deadline, or according to the internal deadlines noted below.

**Step 3 - Administrative Review and Internal Approvals**: To ensure internal approvals, including required institutional signatures, we 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.

## Internal Information regarding External Grants

Certain funding programs have limitations or specific application requirements. The Office of Research Services will promote specific grants that may include internal competition deadlines or other internal requirements. Faculty are strongly encouraged to review information posted by the ORS and to notify their Faculty Grants Officers regarding their intent to apply.

## Faculty Grants Officers - Contacts

FESNS, FEAS – Joanne Hui – [joanne.hui@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:joanne.hui@ontariotechu.ca)

FHS, FS – Raluca Dubrowski – [Raluca.dubrowski@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:Raluca.dubrowski@ontariotechu.ca)

FED, FSSH, FBIT – Kamla Ross McGregor – [kamla.rossmcgregor@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:kamla.rossmcgregor@ontariotechu.ca)

# Resources

## Equity Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)

* [Tri-Agency EDI Action Plan 2018 - 2025](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/EDI-EDI/Action-Plan_Plan-dAction_eng.asp)
* NSERC [EDI Research Guide](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Policies-Politiques/EDI_guidance-Conseils_EDI_eng.asp)
* NFRF [Best Practices in EDI in Research](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/edi-eng.aspx)
* [EDI in the Research Enterprise](#_SSHRC_Small_Research)
* NFRF EDI Research presentation – Contact ORS for copy

## National Security Guidelines

* NSERC Alliance – [Press Release – Jul 2021](https://www.canada.ca/en/innovation-science-economic-development/news/2021/07/government-of-canada-takes-action-to-protect-canadian-research-and-intellectual-property.html) / [ORS Information on Security Guidelines and FAQ](#_New_National_Security)

## Tri-Agency

* Data Management [Policy](https://science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97610.html) and [FAQ](https://science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97609.html) / Guide on [Financial Administration](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/InterAgency-Interorganismes/TAFA-AFTO/guide-guide_eng.asp)

## NFRF

* [Research Stories](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/nfrf-fnfr/stories-histoires-eng.aspx)

## SSHRC

* [News Room](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/news_room-salle_de_presse/index-eng.aspx) / [Covid Updates](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/news_room-salle_de_presse/covid-19-eng.aspx) / [Forms](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/forms-formulaires/index-eng.aspx) / [Funding opportunities](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/index-eng.aspx) / [Competition Results](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/results-resultats/index-eng.aspx)

## NSERC

* [Latest News](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/News-Nouvelles_eng.asp) / 2030 Strategic Plan – [Engaging Stakeholders](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/NSERC2030-CRSNG2030/index_eng.asp) / [NSERC Interactive Dashboard](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/db-tb/index-eng.asp) / [Covid Updates](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/NewsDetail-DetailNouvelles_eng.asp?ID=1139)

## CIHR

* [Application Administration Guide](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50805.html) / [Policy on Identical and Essentially Identical applications](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52222.html)
* [CIHR Covid Updates](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/51917.html) / [CIHR Funding opportunities](https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/search.do?fodAgency=CIHR&fodLanguage=E&all=1&search=true&org=CIHR&sort=program&masterList=true&view=currentOpps)
* [CIHR Policy Guide](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52820.html) – Registration and disclosure from clinical trial results – [Overview](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/42405.html); [FAQs](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52810.html)

## Research Facilities Navigator

* [Research Facilities Navigator](https://navigator.innovation.ca/en?redirect=true) to find facilities in agencies across Canada open to working with you on research.
* Create [your Navigator Profile](https://navigator.innovation.ca/en/create-or-edit-your-profile?redirect=true)
* Ontario Tech University [Navigator Profiles](https://navigator.innovation.ca/en/search?f%5B0%5D=institution_uch%3A808)

## NSERC Alliance Grants

**Alliance webinar presentations now available online**

NSERC hosted webinar presentations to provide information on 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 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](mailto:Alliance@nserc-crsng.gc.ca) 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==)

**Resources related to** [**option 2**](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/funding-financement_eng.asp) **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==)

**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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|  | | **Average annual NSERC request** | | |
| 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](mailto: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.

## 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.

## 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 contact your faculty’s grants officer with any questions.

1. **Tri-Council 2018 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>
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](mailto: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

## New National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships to protect Canadian Science and Research

The Government of Canada released new [National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships](https://science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_98256.html).

These guidelines were developed in collaboration with the [Government of Canada–Universities Working Group](https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_98090.html) and will integrate national security considerations into the development, evaluation and funding of research partnerships.

These guidelines are being applied immediately as a mandatory element of federal research partnership funding through the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada’s (NSERC) [Alliance Grants program](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/innovate-innover/alliance-alliance/index_eng.asp) for any application involving private sector partner organizations. Foreign not-for-profit and government organizations are already ineligible partners under this program.

All applicants partnering with private sector partners for NSERC Alliance funding will be required to complete the [National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships' risk assessment form](https://science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_98257.html) as a component of the Alliance application package submitted to the Office of Research Services and to NSERC. This requirement encompasses applications currently in development, but not yet submitted in the NSERC system, along with all new applications initiated in the system.

NSERC is currently updating all relevant instructions and resources on the [Alliance program website](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/innovate-innover/alliance-alliance/index_eng.asp) and in the [online system](https://ebiz.nserc.ca/nserc_web/nserc_login_e.htm).

The Office of Research Services (ORS) is working to understand the new guidelines and their impact on applicants. Please anticipate further communications from ORS to assist with implementation.

**Additional Resources**

[NSERC Alliance Grants Webpage](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/index_eng.asp)

[NSERC Alliance Grants - National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships](https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/content/nserc-alliance-grants-%E2%80%93-national-security-guidelines-research-partnerships)

[Safeguarding your Research Portal](https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97955.html)

[NSERC Alliance - Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/faq-faq_eng.asp)

[NSERC Alliance Grant Application Checklist](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_doc/alliance/ApplicationChecklist_e.pdf)

**Frequently Asked Questions**

1. [Is it mandatory for my application to include the completed risk assessment questionnaire and risk mitigation plan of the National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships’ risk assessment form?](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/faq-faq_eng.asp#7)
2. [Are there types of private sector organizations involved in Alliance projects that do not trigger the need for completing the National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships’ risk assessment form (e.g., Canadian—including parents, subsidiaries or affiliates—, multinational or foreign organizations)?](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/faq-faq_eng.asp#8)
3. [My Alliance project involves several partner organizations from the private, public and not-for-profit sectors. When completing the risk assessment questionnaire of the National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships, do I consider only risks associated with the private sector partner organization(s)?](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/faq-faq_eng.asp#9)

## Mitacs Accelerate

**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.*

**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 an 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:** <https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/accelerate>

**Contact:** If you have any questions, or are interested in applying, please contact Katie Facecchia – Director of Business Development at [kfacecchia@mitacs.ca](mailto:kfacecchia@mitacs.ca) or your Faculty Grants Officer.

## 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

*\*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 Grants Office a minimum of 5 days before intended 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/>

## NSERC Alliance International

**Description**

Alliance International will provide support for researchers in Canada to **work with leading international researchers from the academic sector**, and to establish and grow international research collaborations and projects that have a high potential for impact in NSE disciplines. The overall objectives are to: 1) allow Canadian researchers to initiate the development of international collaborations; and 2) provide support for Canadian researchers participating in international collaborative projects of global importance and benefit to Canada.

**Streams**

Alliance International offers two grant types:

* **Alliance International Catalyst grants** will provide up to $25,000 for one year to support Canadian researchers in initiating international research collaborations in the NSE disciplines.
* **Alliance International Collaboration grants** will provide up to $100,000 per year for up to three years, allowing Canadian researchers to participate in international projects and leverage the best international expertise to help address research challenges in the NSE disciplines of impact and benefit for Canada.

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| **Deadlines** | Alliance International is a new, permanent stream of Alliance. There is no deadline to apply and grants will be awarded throughout the year. |
| **Application limits** | Catalyst grants: Limit of one application within a 12-month period as either applicant or co-applicant. It is expected that a maximum of 100 grants will be awarded per year  Collaboration grants: Limit of one application within a 12-month period as either applicant or co-applicant  Limits apply to each stream individually. Ie. you can apply for one Catalyst grant and one Collaboration grant in the same 12-month period |
| **Value** | Catalyst grants: up to $25,000  Collaboration grants: up to $100,000 per year |
| **Duration** | Catalyst grants: 1 year  Collaboration grants: up to 3 years |
| **International academic partner contribution** | Catalyst grants: N/A  Collaboration grants: Peer-reviewed funding at least equal to the amount requested from NSERC |
| **Applicant eligibility** | Principal applicants and Canadian co-applicants must hold an active peer-reviewed grant, as primary applicant, at the time of application |
| **Partner eligibility** | Non-academic partner organizations are not required |
| **How to apply** | 1. Notify your Grants Officer of your intent to apply. ORS will confirm partner and project eligibility. 2. Following the [instructions for completing an Alliance International application](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/101/allianceinternational_eng.asp), fill out the [proposal template](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_doc/alliance/Proposal_Template-Alliance_International_Grants_e.docx) and complete the other sections of your application.    * **This template is different from the regular Alliance application template; ensure you are using the correct template (see attached)**    * Select “International” under “type of call” when completing Form 101 in the online system 3. Submit your completed application and supporting documents, including the [personal data form with CCV attachment](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/100/100A_eng.asp), for the principal applicant and all co-applicants through [NSERC’s online system](https://ebiz.nserc.ca/nserc_web/nserc_login_e.htm). |
| **For more information** | Consult the [program website](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/AllianceInternational-AllianceInternational/index_eng.asp), contact [allianceinternational@nserc-crsng.gc.ca](mailto:allianceinternational@nserc-crsng.gc.ca) or your Faculty Grants Officer: |

**Subject Matter**

You can apply to support any R&D project that seeks to respond to a research challenge in the natural sciences or engineering (see [Selecting the appropriate federal granting agency](http://www.science.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_FEE7261A.html?OpenDocument)). However, you cannot use Alliance International to support secret or contract research.

Developing and implementing policies or directly applying your research results may depend on socio-economic or other requirements, as well as scientific understanding beyond the natural sciences and engineering (NSE). You are encouraged to collaborate with academic researchers in fields other than the NSE. Such researchers may be co-applicants for Alliance International if they meet [NSERC’s eligibility criteria for faculty](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/eligibility-admissibilite/faculty-corpsprof_eng.asp). Research costs for these collaborations can represent up to 30% of the project costs and must be specifically identified in the project budget justification.

**Resources**

* [Completing an application — form 101 instructions](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/101/allianceinternational_eng.asp)
* [Personal data form with CCV attachment — form 100A instructions](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/instructions/100/100A_eng.asp)
* [Alliance International application checklist](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_doc/Professors-Professeurs/AIChecklist_e.pdf)
* [Equity, diversity and inclusion in your training plan](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_doc/alliance/EDI-TrainingPlan_e.pdf)
* [Safeguarding Your Research portal](https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97955.html)

## SSHRC Partnership Engage Grant – Residential Schools Joint Initiative

**Description**

As part of the response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s Calls to Action 71-76, SSHRC is partnering with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) to propose a unique opportunity for short-term funding to support Indigenous community-led research and related activities involving community decision-making processes, research and actions regarding residential school sites in Canada.

This NCTR-SSHRC initiative is taking the form of a one-time funding opportunity, the Partnership Engage Grants—Residential Schools Joint Initiative (PEG RSJI). This Partnership Engage Grant will support projects responding to a community’s need for planning, discussions, archival work or storytelling prior to, or in addition to, excavations or identifications on residential school sites in Canada. Projects can also focus on ground exploration, identification of sites and remains, repatriation of missing children from residential schools in Canada, or mapping and preservation of these sites, as judged appropriate by the community.

**Applicant Eligibility**

Applications are subject to the general Partnership Engage Grants’ eligibility requirements.

Researchers can submit only one application to either Partnership Engage Grants or the PEG RSJI in the same competition (e.g., June 2022).

However, the following exceptions apply:

* researchers who have already submitted a Partnership Engage Grants application in the current calendar year are still eligible to apply for a PEG RSJI grant; and
* researchers can hold one Partnership Engage Grant (but not for the June 2022 competition), multiple Partnership Engage Grant COVID-19 Special Initiative awards and a PEG RSJI simultaneously.

**Evaluation and Adjudication**

Applications are subject to the Partnership Engage Grants evaluation criteria. However, the three main criteria are weighted differently: Challenge 40%, Feasibility 30% and Capability 30%. Their evaluation will be guided by SSHRC’s Guidelines for the Merit Review of Indigenous Research.

Special attention will be given to community involvement and the co-creation of knowledge, as appropriate. In this context, the co-creation of knowledge could include interpretative approaches that are jointly developed, reviewed, and confirmed by and with community members or their community-delegated organization.

**Partner Contribution**

Although partner organizations are normally expected to support the activities of the partnership through cash and/or in-kind contributions, in an effort to alleviate barriers to all communities’ participation, partners unable to provide cash and/or in-kind contributions can explain alternative support in their letters. This support can include social capital, an asset that can emphasize social and familial relationships and networks and could affect the cost of research. A contribution could also include linguistic capital, such as the ability to engage with the community using its ancestral language(s) and a national language of Canada.

The NCTR and SSHRC encourage projects using Gender-based Analysis Plus.

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| **Value** | $7,000 to $50,000 |
| **Duration** | 1 year |
| **Partner** | Partner organizations are expected to support the activities of the partnership through cash and/or in-kind contributions. Alternative support can include social or linguistic capital, an asset that can emphasize social and familial relationships and networks and could affect the cost of research. |
| **Internal and External application deadline** | **May 30th, 2022:** Comprehensive Review Deadline  **June 9th, 2022**: ORS internal deadline for administrative review. Submit a signed RGA form at this time.  **June 15, 2022**: external SSHRC deadline for full application. |
| **Results announced** | June 2022 |
| **Application Instructions** | [Application webpage with instructions](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/peg_residential_schools_joint_initiative-sep_initiative_conjointe_pensionnats_autochtones-eng.aspx#4) |

**Questions?**

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

**Description**

The Discovery Horizons program provides NSERC’s entry-point to the tri-agency interdisciplinary peer-review mechanism. 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 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

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| **Letter of intent (LOI)** | ORS deadline for comprehensive review: May 31, 2021  ORS deadline for admin review + RGA (**mandatory**): June 10, 2021  **Agency deadline:** **June 16, 2022** |
| **Full application (by invitation only)** | ORS deadlines: TBD **Agency deadline: October 18, 2022** |
| **Value** | From $50K to $100K per year |
| **Duration** | Up to 5 years |
| **Number of grants** | For this second year pilot, 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 (Fit for Program) and responses to the 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. Summary: Describe the project and its interdisciplinary elements, including, goals, approach, methods, team, training plan. (2500 characters) 2. 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 (1000 characters) 3. Demonstrate that the interdisciplinary approach is essential to achieving the project goals (1000 characters) 4. Describe how the interdisciplinary approach enriches HQP training (1000 characters) 5. Demonstrate that the interdisciplinary elements are integrated and inseparable (i.e., not sub-projects that could be reviewed on their own merit) (1000 characters)   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](mailto:horizons@nserc-crsng.gc.ca) or your Grants Officer:  EAS, ESNS: [joanne.hui@ntariotechu.ca](mailto:joanne.hui@ntariotechu.ca)  HSC, SCI, SSH: [raluca.dubrowski@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:raluca.dubrowski@ontariotechu.ca)  BIT, SSH, EDU: [kamla.rossmcgregor@ontariotechu.ca](mailto:kamla.rossmcgregor@ontariotechu.ca)  *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 of Applicants and Co-applicants**

* Both individuals and teams may apply to the Discovery Horizons program.
* Applicant and any co-applicants must all be eligible to hold NSERC funding. One person must be designated to administer the grant;
* While the research team is expected to have significant expertise in NSE research, not all members need to engage in research in the NSE. There are no requirements with respect to team size or composition. However, **individuals are only allowed to hold or apply for one Discovery Horizons grant** as either an applicant or co-applicant.
* Note that the applicant may add or remove invitations to co-applicants and collaborators at both phases of the application process (LOI and full application).
* **Applicants and co-applicants are allowed to apply for and hold a Discovery Grant but not with the same proposal/project.**

**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

The This link will take you to another Web site [tri-agency interdisciplinary peer review committee](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) will assess projects submitted to all three federal granting agencies. Applications should be submitted to the agency that is responsible for the dominant research discipline(s) or area(s). Refer to This link will take you to another Web site [Selecting the appropriate federal granting agency](http://www.science.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=FEE7261A-1), and the [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) for further information.

Research involving Indigenous Peoples and communities is particularly welcome in Discovery Horizons. Such research can be in any field or discipline, but it must be conducted by, grounded in or engaged with First Nations, Inuit, Métis and/or urban Indigenous communities, societies and/or individuals.

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.

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

**Resources**

* This link will take you to another Web site [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)
* This link will take you to another Web site [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)
* https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_gui/pdf.gif[Guide for applicants: Considering equity, diversity and inclusion in your application](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/_doc/EDI/Guide_for_Applicants_EN.pdf)

Internal Call for Notices of Intent

## Ontario Early Researcher Awards (ERA) – Round 17

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| **ERA Program & Internal Process** | The Ontario Ministry of Colleges & Universities (MCU) is set to announce Round 17 of the Early Researcher Awards (ERA) program on July 8, 2022. The ERA program is **highly competitive** and targets applicants who are exceptional early career researchers in Ontario, helping them to build their research teams.  Similar to previous rounds, the Vice-President Research and Innovation (VPRI) has launched an internal process to identify the applicant(s) that will submit an application to the Ministry. Eligible applicants are invited to submit an Internal Notice of Intent for consideration by an internal committee. **Based on the recommendations of the committee, the VPRI will select only the most competitive candidate(s) to put forward a full ERA application to the Ministry.** The decision of the VPRI is final with no process for appeal.  Please review the attached Internal NOI Guidelines for full details. |
| **Timeline** | **May 30, 2022**: Deadline for internal Notice of Intent  **Mid-June, 2022:** Internal committee meeting  **Mid-end of June, 2022:** Notification of internal results  **July 8, 2022:** Ministry to post Round 17 Guidelines  **July – September**: ORS works with selected Candidate(s) on full application package  **Mid-end of October:** ORS submits complete application package to the Ministry |
| **Apply** | Refer to the attached internal guidelines and form |

**Applicant Eligibility**

The ERA program is open to researchers who:

* are **full-time** faculty members with tenured or tenure-track positions;
* have started their independent academic research career\* on or after **January 1, 2016**; and
* have completed their first Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree, Medical Doctor or terminal degree on or after **January 1, 2011**.

**Attached Resources:**

* Ontario ERA Internal NOI Guidelines
* ERA Internal NOI Form
* For full Ministry ERA Guidelines please visit: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/early-researcher-awards>

**Questions?**

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