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Note: Applications must be received by the Office of Research and Innovation a minimum of 5 business days in advance of the funding agency deadline unless otherwise stated. Please allow enough time for Chair and Dean approval in ROMEO.

Natural Sciences and Engineering Grants

- NSERC Discovery Grants support ongoing programs of research with long-term goals rather than a single short-term project or collection of projects. *Note that due to the volume of expected applications, the internal deadline for Discovery Grants is 10 business days before the NSERC deadline. *Note that a mandatory NOI was previously required Full application deadline: November 3, 2025
- Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program (FWCP) is a partnership between BC Hydro, the Province of B.C., Fisheries and Oceans Canada, First Nations and public interest holders to conserve and enhance fish and wildlife in watersheds impacted by BC Hydro dams. Full application deadline (all regions): November 3, 2025 *Note that a mandatory NOI was previously required for Columbia and Peace Region projects
- Habitat Conversation Trust Foundation (HCTF) Fish and Wildlife Grant Intake supports projects that focus on native freshwater fish, wildlife, and their habitats; have the potential to achieve a significant conservation outcome; and align with HCTF's purposes as laid out in the Wildlife Act. Application deadline: November 7, 2025

Environment and Climate Change Canada Environmental Damages Fund supports projects that will benefit Canada's natural environment in areas previously affected by environmental violations within four funding categories: restoration; environmental quality improvement; research and development; and education and a wareness. Application deadline: December 18, 2025

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Social Sciences and Humanities Grants

SSHRC Connection Grants support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives that represent opportunities to exchange knowledge and to engage with participants on research issues of value to them.

Application deadline: November 3, 2025

Stage 1 application deadline: November 4, 2025 (deadline extended)

Indigenous Innovation and Leadership in Research Network Grants affirm and seek to build on Indigenous knowledge systems and Indigenous ontology, epistemology and methodology. Please note that non-Indigenous institutions may not be the primary applicant in this funding opportunity, but they may still participate on a proposal as a partner or have individuals participate on a project team in the role of co-applicant or collaborator, as applicable.

Stage 2 application by invitation only

knowledge gaps on The Arts Transformed, one of the 16 global future challenge areas identified by SSHRC's Imagining Canada's future initiative.

intended to develop research and/or related activities in the social sciences and humanities; or design and test new partners hip approaches for research and/or related activities that can result in best practices or models. Application deadline: November 17, 2025

SSHRC Partnership Development Grants fund formal partnerships between postsecondary organizations and/or other organizations (public, private, or not-for-profit) of various types and are

Application deadline: December 2, 2025

SSHRC Knowledge Synthesis Grants—The Arts Transformed do not support original research. Instead, they are intended to support the synthesis of existing research knowledge and identify

not-for-profit sector Application deadline: December 15, 2025

SSHRC Destination Horizon Grants support researchers affiliated with eligible Canadian postsecondary institutions to build capacity, foster existing partnerships, and further develop networks and/or consortia with European Union and other "associated countries" researchers, with the ultimate goal of applying to Horizon Europe—Pillar II calls for proposals. Please note that there are matching funding requirements and a quota of applications for UNBC, so researchers interested in applying must contact the ORI well in advance of the deadline. Application deadline: January 22, 2026

SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants provide short-term and timely support for partnered research activities that will inform decision-making at a single partner organization from the public, private or

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Health Sciences Grants

Alzheimer Society Research Program (ASRP) provides grants and awards to support Canadian studies that promise new insights into causes, risk reduction, diagnosis, treatment and management of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

Application deadline: November 3, 2025

CIHR Planning and Dissemination Grants are intended to provide support for planning and/or dissemination activities (either virtual or in-person) consistent with the mandate of CIHR and relevant to CIHR Institutes and Initiatives.

Application deadline: November 13, 2025

CIHR Operating Grant: ECRs in Human Development, Child and Youth Health aims to build research capacity, generate new knowledge, and support knowledge mobilization in human development, child and youth health by funding operating grants to early career researchers. Full application deadline: December 16, 2025 Registration deadline (mandatory): November 18, 2025

CIHR Travel Award provides funding for master's and doctoral students, postdoctoral fellows, early career researchers, and knowledge users to present their own research at national and

- international meetings, workshops, or conferences hat align with the priorities of CIHR's Initiatives or the vision, mandate, and strategic directions of CIHR's Institutes. Application deadline: November 18, 2025
- Genome BC—Data Access, Integration and Analysis Program (DAIA 2) supports the responsible and effective use of health and genomic data for research and innovation, in collaboration with the Health Data Platform BC (HDPBC) by the BC Ministry of Health. Full application deadline (by invitation only): November 20, 2025 *Note that a mandatory Letter of Intent was previously required

- CIHR Summer Program in Aging is an intensive 5-day capacity-building program with the aim of providing graduate and post-graduate trainees with advanced training that crosses disciplines, offers networking opportunities, and disseminates best practices in research. The strategic theme for SPA 2026 will be Impact of climate change on the health of older persons. Application deadline: November 27, 2025
- Michael Smith Health Research BC Trainee Award provides salary support for talented post-doctoral or health professional researchers, developing their health research careers, and increasing their, and their labs', research productivity.

Letter of Intent deadline (mandatory): November 27, 2025 Full application deadline: January 29, 2026

- CIHR Catalyst Grant: Digital Health will catalyze discovery in digital health, advance pivotal research, and inform applications or interventions relevant to CIHR-IMHA's broad mandate areas. This funding opportunity also seeks to benefit the continued integration of technology into healthcare in Canada. Registration deadline (mandatory): December 16, 2025 Full application deadline: March 17, 2026
- Letter of Intent deadline (mandatory): December 31, 2025 Full application deadline (by invitation only): January 31, 2026

Health Research BC-Mitacs Industry-Based Opportunity supports graduate students and postdoctoral fellows across British Columbia to gain experience working within BC's life sciences sector.

CIHR Team Grant: Strengthening Resilient and Equitable Public Health Systems (STEPS) aims to advance the field of public health systems and services research by supporting research that focuses on system-level solutions to improve public health systems performance (including the conditions for success). Full application deadline: January 14, 2026 *Note that mandatory registration was previously required

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Other Grants and Scholarships

- Northern Scientific Training Program (NSTP) is a federally funded grant program that supports travel for students from the natural, physical and social sciences, and humanities who are doing research in the Canadian and Circumpolar North. Application deadline: November 10, 2025
- Canada Graduate Research Scholarship—Master's (CGRS-M) Program provides financial support to high-achieving students enrolled in an eligible master's in Canada. The funding helps recipients focus fully on their studies and research. Application deadline: December 1, 2025

Contact: See funding description

Internal Grants

- Undergraduate Research Experience (URE) Award is offered to provide opportunities for UNBC's undergraduates to be involved in research and scholarly activities. Application deadline: November 15, 2025
- research, education and civic engagement projects that promote sustainability at UNBC. Application deadlines: twice per year in February and October

UNBC Green Projects Grants are accepted from any member of the UNBC community, including students, staff, faculty and campus based organizations, and provide one-time seed funding for

- <u>UNBC Green Travel Grants</u> are accepted from any member of the UNBC community, including students, staff, and faculty, and provide financial support for travel and registration fees for conferences, training sessions, etc. that add to the sustainability knowledge and skills base at UNBC, or communicate the UNBC experience to a broader audience. **Application deadline: Continuous intake**
- Research Strategic Initiatives Grants (RSIG) welcome requests from all UNBC faculty, research organizations, graduate and undergraduate student groups engaged in research. Funds are directed

There are four application deadlines per year: January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1

toward research activities for which other sources of funding are not available.

Graduate Student Travel Award provides financial support for graduate students participating in knowledge dissemination activities, such as workshops, seminars, scholarly conferences, community engagement events, and other knowledge transfer activities.

There are four application deadlines per year: January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1

Contact: See funding description

Upcoming and Continuous Intake Grants CIHR Team Grant: Pan-Canadian Network-Emerging Learning Health System in Perinatal Mental Health

- Deadline: February 5, 2026 SSHRC Partnership Grants—Stage 1 Deadline: February 10, 2026
- CIHR Operating Grant: Leadership Award for Vaccine Research Full application deadline: February 18, 2026 (mandatory EOI was previously required)
- Horizon Europe Funding Calls Deadlines vary, see link for details Environment and Climate Change Canada Funding Programs Deadlines vary, see link for details
- <u>PICS University Climate Knowledge Mobilization Events Program</u> (Continuous Intake) NSERC Alliance Advantage Grants (Continuous Intake)
- NSERC Alliance Society Grants (Continuous Intake)
- NSERC Alliance International Grants (Continuous Intake)
- Mitacs Accelerate (Continuous Intake) Mitacs Globalink Research Award (Continuous Intake)
- SERNbc Seed Grants (Continuous Intake)
- Project Learning Tree—Green Jobs (Continuous Intake)
- Rio Tinto Aluminum Canada Fund (Continuous Intake) Pacific Salmon Foundation—Partnered Initiatives (Continuous Intake)
- Science Horizons Youth Internship Program (Continuous Intake) <u>Lotte & John Hecht Memorial Foundation—Innovative Medical Research & Practices</u>
- (Continuous Intake) FHSS Scholarly Book Awards (Continuous Intake)
- **Workshops and Webinars**

SSHRC Webinars Connection Grants November 25, 2025; 8:00 am-10:00 am PT

- Registration link
 - **Destination Horizon Grants** December 4, 2025; 10:00 am-11:30 am PT Registration link
 - **CIHR Webinars**
- Digital Health Catalyst Grants November 6, 2025; 11:00am-12:00 pm PT Webinar information and link
- **Environment and Climate Change Canada Webinars Environmental Damages Fund**

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November 13, 2025; 10:00 am-11:00 am PT-Registration link

November 6, 2025; 11:30 am-12:30 pm PT-Registration link



Submitted to the Office of Research and Innovation? All grant applications must be received by the Office of Research and Innovation

When Does your Grant Application Need to be

(ORI) through ROMEO by the internal deadline. Please allow enough time for Chair and Dean approval in ROMEO prior to the internal deadline. Applications should be complete drafts when submitted to ROMEO. Submission

by the internal deadline is essential to allow ORI staff adequate time to review and provide feedback to all applicants.

Internal deadlines for all grants are a minimum of 5 business days in advance

of the external funder's deadline. Internal deadlines for some funding

opportunities that involve large complex applications and/or a high volume of UNBC applicants may be earlier, so please ensure that you check the ORI's Research Funding Opportunities webpage to confirm the internal deadline well in advance of the funder's deadline. Future and upcoming funding opportunities that have earlier internal deadlines of

10 business days before the external deadline include the following. Note that this list is not exhaustive, and new funding opportunities with earlier internal deadlines may be added to this list in the future: \Diamond NSERC Research and Instruments (RTI) Grants

- **NSERC Discovery Grants** SSHRC Insight Development Grants SSHRC Insight Grants
- If your application requires an Institutional Letter of Support, please complete and submit the Institutional Letter of Support Request Form to the Office of Research and Innovation a minimum of 10 business days prior to the application

deadline.

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