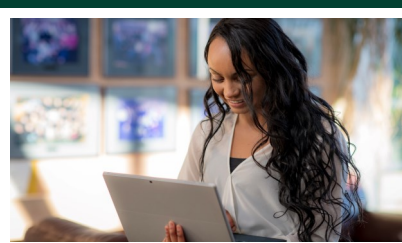


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Natural Sciences and Engineering Grants Update

- Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation (HCTF) Grants** fund a variety of types of conservation work including projects that restore, maintain, or enhance native freshwater fish and wildlife populations and habitats; environmental education, and stewardship projects; and projects that acquire land or interests in land to secure the value of these areas for conservation purposes.
Application deadline: November 3, 2023
- NSERC Alliance Missions: Critical Minerals Research** will strengthen Canada's position as a global supplier of choice for critical minerals that are central to major global industries. Projects must involve at least one partner organization that can be recognized for cost sharing.
Full application deadline: November 9, 2023 ***Note that a mandatory LOI was previously required**

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Social Sciences and Humanities Grants Update

- Trans-Atlantic Platform for Social Sciences and Humanities funding opportunity on Democracy, Governance and Trust** brings together research funding organizations from countries in South America, Africa, North America, and Europe, and will support international projects that contribute to our understanding of how democracy, governance, and trust play a role in tackling both short-term crises and long-term challenges.
Full application deadline: November 6, 2023 ***Note that a mandatory NOI was previously required**
- SSHRC Open Research Area 8th Call for Proposals** was created to strengthen international co-operation in social sciences by funding high-quality scientific research projects. Four funding organizations will participate in this eighth ORA competition: the Agence nationale de la recherche (ANR), France; the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), Germany; the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), United Kingdom; and SSHRC, Canada.
Application deadline: November 14, 2023
- SSHRC Partnership Development Grants** provide support to research teams/partnerships to develop research and/or related activities in the social sciences and humanities or design and test new partnership approaches for research and/or related activities that can result in best practices or models.
Application deadline: November 15, 2023
- SSHRC Knowledge Synthesis Grants: Evolving Narratives of Cultures and Histories** are not intended to support original research. Rather, they are intended to support the synthesis of existing research knowledge and identify knowledge gaps on the topic of Evolving Narratives of Culture and Histories under SSHRC's Imagining Canada's Future initiative.
Application deadline: December 14, 2023
- 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 not-for-profit sector.
Application deadline: December 15, 2023

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Health Sciences Grants Update

- CIHR Catalyst Grant: Healthy Youth** supports emerging research foci relevant to at least one of six priority areas of Canada's Youth Policy, fosters networking and collaboration, and builds capacity for youth engagement in health research.
Full application deadline: November 8, 2023 ***Note that mandatory registration was previously required**
- CIHR Team Grants: Strengthening the Health Workforce for System Transformation** support research that strengthens the health workforce. There are two types of grants: Implementation Science Teams (ISTs) and Evidence Support and Knowledge Mobilization (ESKM) Hub.
Full application deadline: November 9, 2023 ***Note that mandatory registration was previously required**
- IURC/MOH BC Interior Region Seed Grant Research Fund** aims to encourage inter-institutional research, in health-related areas, between researchers at Thompson Rivers University, the University of Northern British Columbia, and the University of British Columbia (Okanagan) and foster collaboration with Ministry on research-related program areas.
Expression of Interest deadline: November 13, 2023 **Full application deadline: February 5, 2024**
- MSHRBC Scholar Awards** support the development of outstanding health researchers from across BC. The Scholar Awards enables early career researchers to build their health research programs, train the next generation of scientists, and make significant contributions to their field.
Letter of Intent deadline (mandatory): November 21, 2023 **Full application deadline: January 22, 2024**
- MSHRBC Health Professional Investigator Awards** support health professionals who are actively involved in patient care to build their health research programs, train the next generation of scientists, and make significant contributions to their field.
Letter of Intent deadline (mandatory): November 21, 2023 **Full application deadline: January 22, 2024**
- CIHR Strategic Master's Awards** provide financial support to scholars who are engaged in an eligible master's program in Canada that are relevant to specific CIHR priority research areas.
Application deadline: November 14, 2023
- PHAC-SSHRC Joint Initiative: Advancing Socio-Economic Research for Evidence-Informed Public Health Decision-Making** provides support for partnered research activities that will inform public health decision-making.
Application deadline: December 15, 2023

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Other Grants and Scholarships Update

- NSERC-SSHRC Sustainable Agriculture Research Initiative** will fund multidisciplinary, collaborative networks of researchers to address specific research objectives by initiating or accelerating the development of truly transformative solutions, and by mobilizing expertise, technologies and research in social sciences, natural sciences and engineering and in areas that broaden the traditional network of agriculture research partners.
Full application deadline: November 8, 2023 ***Note that funding for application preparation was previously available**
- Northern Scientific Training Program** is administered by Polar Knowledge Canada and aims to promote interest in northern research and provide opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to obtain experience and professional training in the North.
Application deadline: November 10, 2023
- Canadian Safety and Security Program: Lighting the Path with AI** will provide funding for innovators to establish research networks made up of multidisciplinary teams focused on artificial intelligence and machine learning and how it can assist first responders in decision making.
Letter of intent deadline (mandatory): November 15, 2023
- Mitacs Globalink Research Award Thematic Call** allows senior undergraduate and graduate students as well as postdoctoral fellows, under the joint supervision of a home and host professor at a university in Canada and an institution affiliated with one of Mitacs's international partners, to receive funding to conduct research in the other country.
Application deadline: November 17, 2023
- Mitacs-JSPS Summer Program** provides opportunities for graduate students and postdoctoral fellows in Canada to pursue collaborative research in Japan.
Application deadline: November 30, 2023
- Mitacs Accelerate Cleantech Call** offers enhanced leveraging of partner organization cash contributions for projects related to cleantech in transportation, energy generation and storage, waste and sustainable materials, built environment, agriculture and food services.
Deadline: December 6, 2023, or while quantities last
- New Frontiers in Research Fund—Exploration Competition** supports high-risk, high-reward and interdisciplinary research that pushes boundaries into exciting new areas.
Full application deadline: December 12, 2023 ***Note that a mandatory Letter of Intent was previously required**
- New Frontiers in Research Fund—Horizon Global Platform Competition** provides funding for Canadian researchers who are partners on successful projects funded through eligible calls under Horizon Europe's Pillar II (Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness) with a deadline before December 31, 2023.
Registration deadline: one week after Horizon Europe application submitted **Application deadline: Two weeks after review results from Horizon Europe communicated**

Contact: appropriate RPO (see funding description)

Internal Grants Update

- Research Strategic Initiatives Grants (RSIG)** welcome requests from all UNBC faculty, research organizations, graduate and undergraduate student groups engaged in research. Funds are directed toward research activities for which other sources of funding are not available.
There are four application deadlines per year: January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1
- UNBC Undergraduate Research Experience (URE) Program** is offered to provide opportunities for UNBC's undergraduates to be involved in research and scholarly activities. It is also intended to provide encouragement for faculty members to mentor UNBC undergraduate students in their areas of research.
Application deadline: November 15, 2023

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A Look Ahead / Continuous Intake Grants

- NSERC-CSE Research Communities Grants** Full application deadline: January 17, 2024
***Note that a mandatory LOI was previously required**
- SSHRC Connection Grants** Deadline: February 1, 2024
- SSHRC Insight Development Grants** Deadline: February 2, 2024
- Real Estate Foundation of BC General Grants** Deadline: February 7, 2024
- SSHRC Partnership Grants—Stage 1** Deadline: February 10, 2024
- Environment and Climate Change Canada Funding Programs** Deadlines vary, see link for details
- Mitacs Elevate Postdoctoral Fellowship** (Continuous Intake)
- Science Horizons Youth Internship Program** (Continuous Intake)
- Rio Tinto Aluminum Canada Fund** (Continuous Intake)
- NSERC Alliance Grants Program—Options 1 and 2** (Continuous Intake)
- NSERC Alliance International Grants** (Continuous Intake)
- Mitacs Accelerate** (Continuous Intake)
- Mitacs Globalink Research Award** (Continuous Intake)
- SERNbc Seed Grants** (Continuous Intake)
- Pacific Salmon Foundation—Partnered Initiatives** (Continuous Intake)
- FHSS Awards to Scholarly Publications Program** (Continuous Intake)
- Lotte & John Hecht Memorial Foundation—Innovative Medical Research & Practices** (Continuous Intake)

Workshops and Webinars

- SSHRC Webinars and Q&As Partnership Engage Grants**
 November 14, 2023; 10:00 am–11:00 am



Resubmitting an unsuccessful grant proposal

An unfunded grant proposal can be a huge disappointment, especially if a lot of time and effort went into its development. However, funding rates for many opportunities are often low and therefore many good proposals are not funded. There are a number of steps you can take to maximize your chances of success when you re-apply:

- Carefully read any feedback that you are given from the review committee.** You can use this feedback to strengthen your application in the future.
- Determine if you should re-apply to the same funding agency, or if you should seek out a new potential funder.** Refer to any feedback received, as well as the mandate of the funding agency to determine if a mismatch in priorities or project scope may have been the reason for your unsuccessful application.
- Review your proposed project plan and methods and determine if you can make improvements.** If your proposal would be strengthened by collecting more data or by performing a pilot study, consider doing these before re-applying.
- Start early!** After taking some time to react and recover from the news, you should start revising and reworking your application as soon as you can so that it is in the best possible shape when it is time to apply again.
- When you are ready to reapply, submit your revised proposal to the Office of Research and Innovation for review well in advance of the funding agency's deadline.** The more time you allow for review, the better and more thorough a review you will receive, and the greater your chances of success.

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