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Supporting Indigenous Voices in Research and Innovation



Indigenous Peoples bring unique perspectives and strengths to postsecondary education, enriching both their communities and Canada's overall growth.

As Canada's leading innovation organization, aligned with the national Innovation and Skills Agenda, Mitacs is committed to empowering Indigenous peoples through education and training, advancing their rights and fostering their contributions to innovation.

Mitacs aims to address systemic barriers by providing Indigenous students the opportunity to gain experience, develop their research skills, and build connections with faculty and researchers.

Mitacs played an integral role in my research journey. It allowed me to delve into critical information that has significantly shifted the trajectory of my career and academic endeavors, opening doors to new opportunities and expanding my understanding of Indigenous entrepreneurship."

— Laura Mueller, INDRA 2024 Participant

Benefits

- Research Experience: Gain valuable research and training opportunities under the guidance of experienced faculty, enhancing your practical research skills and technical knowledge.
- **Professional Networking:** Develop meaningful connections and collaborations with post-secondary institutions, faculty members and researchers—and explore future research opportunities and potential mentorship.
- Skill Building: Sharpen your research and project management skills, and develop core competencies needed to thrive in academic and professional settings.
- Career and Education Pathways: Discover new educational and professional pathways that can help accelerate your career in and outside the academic world.

How It Works

- **Eligibility:** Open exclusively to undergraduate and graduate students.
- **Duration:** The program runs for 12-16 weeks, with a part-time commitment to allow for academic flexibility.
- Research Award: Participants receive a \$6,000 research award to conduct a research project under the guidance of a university-based academic advisor.
- One-Time Participation: Applicants can only participate in the program once, making it a unique and valuable opportunity for their academic and professional development.

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