

A monthly newsletter brought to you by the Office of Research



Natural Sciences and Engineering Grants



Social Sciences and Humanities Grants



Health Sciences Grants



Other Grants (all disciplines)



Internal Grants (all disciplines)

Note: Applications must be received by the Office of Research 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 Update

- **NSERC Discovery Grants** support ongoing programs of research in the natural sciences and engineering with long-term goals rather than a single short-term collection of projects.
Deadline for Notification of Intent to apply (mandatory): August 4, 2020 Full application deadline: November 2, 2020
- **NSERC Subatomic Physics Discovery Grants** support ongoing programs of research in subatomic physics with long-term goals rather than a single short-term collection of projects.
Deadline for Notification of Intent to apply (mandatory): August 4, 2020 Full application deadline: November 2, 2020
- **Innovate BC Ignite Program** provides funding for innovation projects in the areas of natural sciences, applied science and/or engineering. Applicants must be a B.C.-based team comprised of two or more companies, organizations, and academic researchers.
Application deadline: August 10, 2020
- **BC Salmon Restoration and Innovation Fund** supports protection and restoration activities for priority wild fish stocks, including salmon, as well as projects that will ensure the fish and seafood sector in BC is positioned for long-term environmental and economic sustainability.
Deadline for Expression of Interest (mandatory): September 15, 2020 Full application deadline: TBD (by invitation only)
- **NSERC PromoScience Program** supports initiatives that promote the natural sciences and engineering (NSE) to Canada's young people, particularly to under-represented and disadvantaged groups in NSE careers, including girls and Indigenous peoples (does not provide research funding).
Application deadline: September 15, 2020

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Social Sciences and Humanities Grants Update

- **SSHRC Connection Grants** support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives.
Application deadline: August 4, 2020
- **SSHRC Knowledge Synthesis Grants—Skills and Work in the Digital Economy** support researchers in producing knowledge synthesis reports and evidence briefs.
Application deadline: September 3, 2020
- **SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants** provide short-term and timely support for partnered research activities.
Application deadline: September 15, 2020
- **SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants—COVID 19 Special Initiative** provide short-term and timely support for COVID-19 related partnered research activities.
Application deadline: September 15, 2020

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Health Sciences Grants Update

- **AMED—CIHR Research Collaboration on Advancing Epigenetic Technologies** builds on the respective research strengths of Canada and Japan through the Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED) and CIHR, in basic science and technology as it relates to epigenetics and epigenomics.
Application deadline: September 15, 2020

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Other Grants and Scholarships Update

- **PICS Opportunity Projects Program** provides support for engaged research projects that develop new knowledge and use that knowledge for climate change mitigation and adaptation solutions.
Application deadline: August 4, 2020
- **New Frontiers in Research Fund—Exploration Stream** supports research that pushes boundaries into exciting new areas of high-risk, high-reward and interdisciplinary research with the potential for significant impact.
Deadline for Notification of Intent to apply (mandatory): August 18, 2020 Full application deadline: October 20, 2020
- **Rhodes Scholarships** support outstanding students from across the world to study at Oxford University in the interests of promoting international understanding and public service.
Internal application deadline: September 4, 2020

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A Look Ahead

- **SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship** (Deadline: September 16, 2020)
- **McCall MacBain Scholarship** (Deadline: September 24, 2020)
- **Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship** (Internal Deadline: September 25, 2020)
- **MSFHR Reach Program** (Deadline: September 28, 2020)
- **MSFHR Convening & Collaborating Program** (Deadline: September 28, 2020)
- **SSHRC Insight Grant** (Deadline: October 1, 2020)
- **CGS—Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement** (Internal Deadline: October 1, 2020)
- **NFRF Horizon 2020 Global Platform Competition, International Stream** (Deadline varies by subject matter. Please see full funding description for details)
- **NSERC Alliance Grant Program—Options 1 and 2** (Continuous Intake)
- **Natural Resources Canada—Green Jobs in Natural Resources** (Continuous Intake)
- **FHSS Awards to Scholarly Publications Program** (Continuous Intake)
- **Mitacs Accelerate** (Continuous Intake)

Upcoming Workshops And Events

Proposal Development Workshops

Dr. Dawn McArthur, Children's & Women's Health Centre of BC
August 19th and 20th, 2020; 9:00am-4:00pm (online)
Registration is required and space is limited—contact the Office of Research for details



Tips for Proofreading Your Grant Proposal

The Office of Research is here to help ensure that your grant proposal is complete and free of errors, but proofreading your own proposal prior to submission is an essential skill to ensure that your work is as polished and professional as possible. There are a few tips that can help you proofread as effectively as possible:

- ♦ Set it aside—If you can, take a break (preferably overnight) between finishing writing and beginning to proofread. If you have been looking at something for too long without a break, it can be hard to see your mistakes.
- ♦ Proofread for one type of error at a time—Don't try to re-write your sentences, catch spelling mistakes, and fix your grammar all at once. If you focus one particular mistake at a time, you are more likely to see all of the potential errors.
- ♦ Know your own patterns and typical mistakes—If you tend to consistently make the same mistakes (e.g. missing commas, misspelling the same words, etc.), check for these first to ensure that they are all fixed.
- ♦ Ask someone else to proofread it—A second set of eyes will help you catch mistakes that you are unable to see and will help you clarify anything that doesn't make sense.

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