

We are pleased to share with you the first newsletter of the DARE program. This new program from Research Acceleration and Strategic Initiatives provides support to new faculty within 5 years of their hire date. ***You are receiving this newsletter from DARE because we identified you as someone who has joined USask's faculty within the last 5 years. We have added you to our mailing list, but if you wish to unsubscribe, you can easily do so [here](#).***

Please take a moment to get to know the program and our upcoming events. If you have any questions about starting your research program at USask please contact us at [dare.rasi@usask.ca](mailto:dare.rasi@usask.ca).



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**A quarterly update with tailored resources, events, and funding opportunities for new faculty at USask**

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## What is DARE?

**DARE: Discovery, Achievement, and Research Excellence at USask** is a new initiative out of Research Acceleration and Strategic Initiatives. DARE provides targeted programming for faculty who are new to USask to help launch their research programs and build cross-campus connections. DARE supports new faculty within 5 years of their hire date, including targeted programming for Early Career Researchers. Reach out to [dare.rasi@usask.ca](mailto:dare.rasi@usask.ca) with any questions related to starting your research program.

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## DARE Events

### **DARE Networking Event for New USask Faculty**

Discovery, Achievement, and Research Excellence (DARE) is hosting its inaugural networking event for **all faculty members who have joined USask within the last five years**, and we are pleased to invite you to attend.



Date: September 25th, 2023

Time: 3-5 PM

Location: Louis Loft

[Register!](#)

We hope you can join us for a chance to make and build connections with your peers from across campus, with an opportunity to connect with Vice President Research, Baljit Singh on **Monday, September 25th, from 3:00-5:00 pm** at Louis' Loft on campus. Please [RSVP online](#) by **Monday, September 18th**.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## DARE Table Talks

Welcome to DARE's Table Talks. The purpose of our Table Talks is to inform and inspire. We will be tackling topics important for fostering research success. Come join us!



### Session 1 – Building Your Research Program

Wondering where to begin to start building your research program? This Table Talk session brings together a panel of researchers spanning across different career stages and disciplines to discuss key factors in building your research program. Bring your lunch and your questions. Topics touched upon will include setting up your research space, planning for funding and publications, accessing mentorship, recruiting students, and more.

**When:** October 19, 2023, 12:15-1:15 PM

**Where:** Room 1B11, Health Sciences Building

[Register](#)

### Session 2 – Understanding the Grant Lifecycle at USask

Need to understand the research funding opportunities available to you and how to apply for and manage grants at USask? This Table Talk session brings together a panel of research administrators to discuss grant opportunities (both internal and external) and the grant lifecycle, including pre- and post-award. So, bring your lunch and your questions.

**When:** 16 November 2023, 12:15 to 1:15 PM

**Where:** Room 1B11, Health Science Building

[Register](#)

### Session 3 – Intro to Grant Writing

Grant writing can be tough, and always takes longer than anticipated. This Table Talk session is the first of several on the topic of grant writing. This session discusses grant writing 101 – structure, approach, and how to write an impactful lay summary.

**When:** 7 December 2023, 12:00 to 1:00 PM

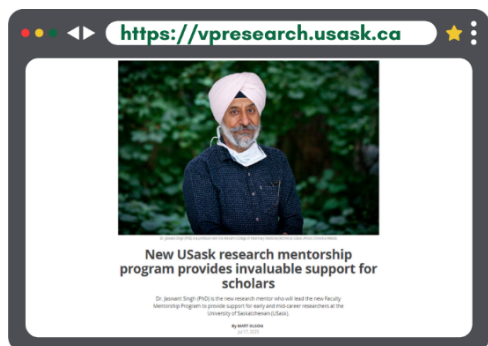
**Where:** Online via Zoom

[Register](#)

## Researcher Resources

### New Research Guide: Getting Started at USask

To support research and research creation, USask has a range of programs and resources to meet your academic needs. To help you get started, we have created a [research guide](#) that will help you navigate research at USask. More resources are currently being developed, so stay tuned!



### OVP Faculty Mentorship Program

A [new program out of the OVP](#) designed to facilitate scholarly and research career development, provide mentorship resources, and connect researchers from across campus for new faculty and mid-career researchers

### Human Research Ethics Workshop

The Ethics Office offers workshops to support researchers preparing an application to the Human Research Ethics Boards. Covering Behavioural and Biomedical submissions, this workshop will cover how to submit an application with a focus on recruitment, consent, confidentiality, and data security.

**Date/Time: Thursday, 7 September, 1:00 PM**

To register for this workshop, please click on the following Zoom link: [https://usask-ca.zoom.us/joining/register/tJwudeihqz0rGdTOR1i\\_Piuu6DRNp6TPMcDK](https://usask-ca.zoom.us/joining/register/tJwudeihqz0rGdTOR1i_Piuu6DRNp6TPMcDK)



### The (Re) Balanced Academic

Welcome to the (Re) Balanced Academic! This series will address a variety of topics to promote mental, physical, and academic wellness.

For this first issue, you will find a list of great wellness resources that USask offers for faculty and staff. [Here, you can find](#) a number of resources to support the wholeness of your health: mind, body, and life. There are [on-demand workshops](#) and [wellness articles](#) on many important topics.

Did you know that USask offers free [yoga in the bowl](#), [mindful mornings](#), and [online yoga nidra](#) classes? Stay informed with USask's [wellness calendar](#).

## Featured Funding and Award Opportunities



### Welcome to Grant Season!

It's that time of year again: when the writing feels endless and always takes longer than expected. We have put together a list of upcoming funding opportunities that target ECRs, have an allocated ECR stream, and/or require an ECR as part of the team. A full list of upcoming funding opportunities can be found on the [OVPR Grant Calendar webpage](#).

To receive regular funding opportunity updates, please [subscribe to the RASI Funding Newsletter](#).



### New Frontiers in Research Fund – Exploration

The goal of the [Exploration](#) stream is to inspire high-risk, high-reward and interdisciplinary research. *The NFRF Exploration competition provides a unique opportunity for ECRs, as the competition holds a proportion of awards equal to the proportion of applications submitted that are led by ECRs and will be reserved for these researchers.*

Notice of Intent Deadline: 11 October 2023 at 8pm ET

Full Application Deadline: 12 December 2023 at 8pm ET

### Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)

The following CIHR programs have funding opportunities that support ECR PI's, have designated ECR funding streams, and/or require the research team to include an ECR.



#### Catalyst Grant: Analysis of Canadian Longitudinal Study in Aging (CLSA) Data

Registration deadline: 19 September 2023

Application deadline: 19 October 2023

#### Operating Grant: Bringing Rare Disease Gene Therapies to Clinical Trial Readiness

Letter of Intent Deadline: 20 September 2023

Full Application Deadline: 13 February 2024

#### Operating Grant: Data Analysis Using Existing Databases Cohort (2023)

Registration Deadline: 7 September 2023

Application Deadline: 3 October 2023

#### Team Grant: Improving Diagnosis for Rare Disease Patients

Application Deadline: 7 November 2023

#### Teams Grant: Improving Health and Administrative Data and Monitoring for Rare Diseases

Application Deadline: 7 November 2023

#### Team Grant: Lung Health

Application Deadline: 16 November 2023

#### Team Grant: Strengthening the Health Workforce of System Transformation

Registration Deadline: 5 October 2023

Application Deadline: 9 November 2023

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