Research Acceleration and Strategic Initiatives

Research Funding and Support

A weekly update on funding opportunities, workshops, and other support services.

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RASI Workshops and Support Services

CIHR Project Grant Fall 2022 Workshop and Panel Q&A

This Workshop and Panel Q&A is a wonderful opportunity for CIHR Project Grant applicants (both current and potential) to interact with successful Project Grant recipients and members of CIHR College of Reviewers. Participants shall have the opportunity to gain significant insights and ask questions about the CIHR application and peer-review process. The workshop will also cover information on sex and gender consideration in health research and other special considerations during application development. The workshop would be conducted virtually over Zoom.

Date: 21 July 2022
Time: 10-11:30am
Register: Online
 RSVP Deadline: 18 July 2022

Moderator: Dr. Darcy Marciniuk, Associate Vice President Research and CIHR Delegate
Special Consideration in Application Development (including sex and gender component in health research): Robin Thurmeier, College of Nursing

Panel Discussion:
- **Dr. Amanda Froehlich Chow** – School of Public Health
- **Dr. Adam Baxter-Jones**, College of Kinesiology
- **Dr. Andrew Leask** – College of Dentistry
- **Dr. Erika Penz**, Respirology, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine College of Medicine.

Timelines and Notice of Intention (NOI) form for fall 2022 Project Grant competition are available here.

Questions can be sent to Manisha Jalla, Research Development Specialist, at grants.workshop@usask.ca.

Internal Research Programs

SSHRC Partnership Development Grant Pilot Program: Call for Applications

Research Acceleration and Strategic Initiatives invites applications from those interested in participating in our SSHRC Partnership Development Grant (PDG) Pilot Program. SSHRC's PDGs are a key tool for building academic partnerships, fostering community-engaged research, establishing national and international collaborations, and engaging in research with Indigenous communities. **In 2021, the success rate at SSHRC for Partnership Development Grants was 75%.**

The pilot program will support a cohort of up to five faculty members who are each planning to apply for a PDG. The cohort will be supported by SSHRC scholars and members of the RASI office and run for approximately 18 months. Participants in the pilot will receive:

- **Up to $20,000 in Fall 2022** to support partnership development activities.
- Peer-support and expert feedback over the ~14-month grant development period. Participants will meet as a group once every two to three months and work together to support one another throughout the application process.
- Up to $10k in matching funds, if the application is successful.

Application Deadline: 26 August 2022
Terms of Reference: Online
Application Form: Online

Please submit your application in UnivRS 5 business days before the deadline for compliance review. If you have any questions about your application, please contact Sara Mueller, Senior Research Specialist in RASI, at sara.mueller@usask.ca.

Expanded EDI Self-Identification Questionnaire for Applicants

The collection of self-identification data is a central piece of the federal funding agencies' commitment to improving equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) across Canada's research funding system. Self-identification data provides information on the diversity of the population applying for and receiving funding. This information increases the agencies' capacity to identify and remove barriers, to design corrective measures, and to monitor progress towards improving EDI in their programs.

The first version of the federal funding agencies' Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Self-Identification Questionnaire for applicants was implemented in 2018. The questionnaire asked basic questions with a focus on the four designated groups in the *Employment Equity Act*: women, Indigenous Peoples, persons with disabilities, and visible minorities. This marked an important step in enabling CIHR to identify and understand systemic barriers within our funding system.

In alignment with the other federal granting agencies, CIHR has implemented an expanded version of the self-identification questionnaire. It includes questions about sexual orientation and population group as well as more detailed questions about Indigenous identity and disability status.

The expanded questionnaire will provide CIHR with more complete self-identification data and enhance our ability to identify barriers to participation through an intersectional lens. Completing this questionnaire will help ensure that applicants are represented when CIHR considers program design, delivery, and funding decisions. Applicants to CIHR's competitions will be asked to complete the expanded questionnaire on Research Net before submitting their next applications to funding opportunities launched after 29 June 2022. Applicants have the option to select "I prefer not to answer" for any of the questions.

For more information about the expanded self-identification questionnaire, please visit the Frequently Asked Questions and the How-To Instructions available on our website. If you have any questions or require technical support to access the questionnaire, please get in touch with the CIHR Contact Centre at support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca.

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