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Learn more about RASI services [online](#).

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**Resources for Researchers**

**Research-Focused Virtual Procurement Townhall**

Enterprise Procurement is conducting virtual townhalls this fall for all faculty and staff. These sessions will provide you with the opportunity to:

- gain insights into the enhanced procurement procedures and practices;
- learn about USask’s new [Procurement policy](#), and understand what has changed;
- understand the [new resources](#) that have been created to improve communication and user experience; and
- have your questions answered by key members of our procurement team.

These sessions will be focused on research-related procurement. We encourage you to attend one of the sessions by clicking the link below to register.

- **16 November 2023 from 1-2:30 pm**
- **23 November 2023 from 1-2:30 pm**

If you have any specific questions or topics, you would like us to address during the session, please feel free to email us at [procurement@usask.ca](mailto:procurement@usask.ca) at least two days before the session you are planning to attend.

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**Communities & Sustainability Signature Research Area: Connect & Collaborate Event**

The [Communities & Sustainability Signature Research Area](#) explores the interrelatedness of human communities and natural ecologies. Understanding the relationships among different peoples and the natural world and ensuring that they are maintained in a good way—a philosophy embodied in the Cree/Saulteaux concept of [wāhkōhtowin](#)—is crucial to overcoming urgent environmental, social, economic, and political hurdles.

We welcome USask researchers who work with communities to solve real-world problems to join us for this connection and collaboration event. We aim to renew relationships and build new cross-campus collaborative groups of researchers who work with communities to address urgent questions. These new collaborations can form the hub of new research grant proposals and collaborations for greater impact.

**Date:** Thursday, 30 November from 1pm-3pm  
**Location:** Grad Student Commons (Old Emmanuel and St. Chad Chapel), 1337 College Dr.  
**Register:** [here](#)
Northern Scientific Training Program

The Northern Scientific Training Program (NSTP) encourages Canadian universities to train northern specialists to meet national needs. The NSTP provides supplementary funding to over 350 students annually at over 35 universities across Canada. The program is administered by POLAR as part of its mandate to foster science and technology in Canada’s North.

Applications for the Northern Scientific Training Program funding must be made by the Chairperson of a Northern Studies Committee at a Canadian university or the equivalent. The committee must be officially recognized by the President of the university. Applications from individuals are not accepted. If a student’s university does not have a recognized Northern Studies Committee, the candidate may apply through a participating university.

Eligibility:
- Be enrolled in a degree program at a Canadian university.
- NSTP will provide one year of funding for thesis-based research at the undergraduate level, up to two years of funding for thesis-based research at the Masters level and up to three years of funding for thesis-based research at the doctoral level.
- Students supported by training funds must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents.
- Summer and winter projects are eligible.
- Post-doctoral studies are not supported.

Application Deadline: Friday, 10 November 2023 at 11:50pm ET

Health Sciences Opportunities and Updates

SHRF 2023-24 Mobilize Grant Now Accepting Applications

The Mobilize Grant supports knowledge mobilization activities used to bring awareness to research activities and findings in a way that can be used in practice, for any area of health research. This includes but is not limited to knowledge synthesis, dissemination, transfer, exchange, and co-creation or co-production. Knowledge mobilization should encourage exchanges between researchers and knowledge-users.

The Mobilize Grant does not support academic knowledge sharing activities. For SHRF sponsorship of academic knowledge sharing, health research-related events (e.g. conferences, academic research days, etc.), please submit a request.

Opportunity Details

Amount: up to $10,000
Term: 1 year
Purpose: To fund the knowledge mobilization of health research within practical and non-academic settings and mediums, with the aim to improve health-related knowledge and outcomes in Saskatchewan.
Important Dates

Application Deadline: 14 February 2024 at 4:30pm CST
Funding Start: 01 March 2024

An information webinar about this opportunity is available here.

Questions about event sponsorships should be directed to info@shrf.ca.

Natural Sciences and Engineering Opportunities and Updates

PIMS Upcoming Opportunities

The Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences (PIMS) supports the broad mathematical sciences community by funding events and collaborations. PIMS provides significant sponsorship for events in all areas of mathematical science research.

The University of Saskatchewan is an ongoing member of PIMS and USask researchers are encouraged to apply for/participate in PIMS sponsored opportunities/activities.

For current opportunities, see below:

Join USask for a PIMS Info Session/Kristin Lauter (Meta) Colloquium watch-party
Date: Thursday, 16 November 2023 from 3-5pm
Location: TBA
Join USask colleagues for light refreshments, an opportunity to learn about PIMS and to watch the next PIMS Network Wide Colloquium by Kristin Lauter (see below).

Register to attend PIMS Network Wide Colloquia with Kristin Lauter
Next Colloquium: Thursday, 16 November 2023 at 3:30pm SK time.
Speaker: Kristin Lauter (Meta), West Coast Head of Research Science, Facebook AI Research (FAIR).
Distinguished speakers give talks across the full PIMS network via zoom with one talk per month during the academic term.

Open Call: Organizing Committee Members: Math to Power Industry 2024
Deadline: Monday, 20 November 2023
PIMS invites nominations for committee members to the Math to Power Industry 2024 Committee. If you are passionate about fostering connections between the emerging generation of mathematicians and industry professionals, eager to contribute your expertise, and excited about promoting the value of mathematics in solving real-world problems, we encourage you to apply to join the Organizing Committee.

To express your interest, email industry@pims.math.ca by Monday, 20 November 2023 with your name, a brief statement of your background and interests, and how you would like to contribute to the Math to Power Industry 2024 event.
Call for Nominations: 2024-2025 PIMS Postdoctoral Competition

Deadline: 01 December 2023

PIMS invites nominations of outstanding young researchers in the mathematical sciences for postdoctoral fellowships beginning in the academic year 2024-2025. Candidates must be nominated by a scientist or department affiliated with PIMS. These fellowships are intended to supplement the support provided by the sponsor, and are tenable at any of the PIMS Canadian member universities: the University of Alberta, the University of British Columbia, the University of Calgary, the University of Lethbridge, the University of Manitoba, the University of Regina, the University of Saskatchewan, Simon Fraser University and the University of Victoria.

For the 2024 competition, the amount of the award will be $30,000 and the sponsor(s) is (are) required to provide additional funds to finance a minimum stipend of $55,000.

Nominees must have a Ph.D. or equivalent (or expect to receive a Ph.D.) by 31 December 2024. The fellowship is for one year and is renewable for at most one additional year. Nominations for the CNRS/PIMS Postdoctoral Fellowships are made through the same process. This award is targeted to applicants that are French, or who have completed their Ph.D. degree in France.

Call for Applications: PIMS/BIRS Team Up! Pathways to Inclusive Research

Deadline: 15 April 2024

The PIMS/BIRS Team Up! program provides support for groups of 2-6 researchers to spend two weeks working together at world class research facilities such as the Banff International Research Station (BIRS) or the Kelowna BIRS site. It is specifically targeted at those whose research program may have been impacted by obstacles such as family obligations, professional isolation, access to funding etc. and features program benefits designed to help address these challenges. PIMS strongly encourages applications from women, gender-expansive individuals, Indigenous scholars, persons with visible/invisible disabilities, and other minoritized groups. The program is also open to early-career researchers and those with limited resources.

Open opportunities for collaborations/partnerships/exchanges through PIMS

PIMS plays an active leadership role in both the national and international mathematical communities, and PIMS supports various programs to strengthen those communities and the position of PIMS mathematical scientists within them. For example, there are on-going opportunities for funding through the PIMS Institutional Exchange and the Research Exchange programs that involve institutions from around the world. PIMS also has a partnership with MITACs as part of the MITACS Globalink Mobility Program.

Keep up to date with PIMS by signing up for the PIMS newsletter here.

Contact Chris Soteros, PIMS Site Director, USask, at soteros@math.usask.ca for further more information about PIMS and available opportunities.

Social Sciences and Humanities Opportunities

SSHRC Connection Grants Webinar
SSHRC is hosting a webinar for the Connections Grants. Please see opportunity details below.

English Webinar
Date: Tues, 28 November 2023 from 11am-1pm ET
Link: [here](#)

French Webinar
Date: Thurs, 30 November 2023 from 11am-1pm ET
Link: [here](#)

Please note that you do not need to register in advance and a question and answer period will follow the presentation. With WebEx, questions must be submitted in writing.

To join via WebEx:
- Click on the WebEx webinar link on the date and time specified.
- Enter your name and email address.
- Adjust the volume on your computer.

For any questions, please contact us by email at [connection@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca](mailto:connection@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca).

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**International Opportunities and Updates**

**International Travel and Project Grants: Internal Call for Proposals**
As part of the [University of Saskatchewan International Blueprint for Action 2025](#), the International Office is thrilled to announce the 2023-24 International Travel and Project Grants: Internal Call for Proposals. Each year, through the International Blueprint, the university invests funding to engage, advance and scale international initiatives with partners around the world.

**International Travel Grants**
Application deadline: 20 November 2023

- **Global Ambassador Program (Incoming)** – supports incoming international experts and faculty to the USask aligned with USask’s existing or emerging areas of strength - valued up to $5,000
- **Global Ambassador Program (Outgoing)** – supports faculty and staff to travel to international universities and/or facilities aligned with USask’s existing or emerging areas of strength - valued up to $5,000
- **Internationalization Fund** – supports faculty and staff to increase the ability and confidence to initiate, build and support international and intercultural engagement and activities - valued up to $2,500
- **International Travel Fund** – supports faculty and staff to participate in international partnership and capacity building toward the university’s collective global citizenship and international community service engagement – valued up to $2,500

**International Project Grants**
Application deadline: 05 December 2023

- **International Research Partnership Fund** – to strengthen research collaborations with existing international partners – grant average $20,000
- **Global Innovation Fund** – to initiate the development of new international research collaborations – grant average $20,000
- **Global Community Service Fund – New Partnerships Grants** – to support new collaborations and engage with communities to improve welfare and quality of life – grant average $20,000
- **Global Community Service Fund – Existing Partnerships Grants** – to support existing collaborations and engage with communities to improve welfare and quality of life – grant average $20,000

The Call for Proposals regarding specific targets, eligibilities, selection criteria, and application forms is available on the International Office Internal Funding page.

Please connect with the International Research team at international.office@usask.ca with any questions about these funding opportunities, and we would be very pleased to assist and support.

**Global Affairs Canada: Faculty Mobility for Partnership Building Program (FMPBP)**

Global Affairs Canada has launched the [2024-2025 Faculty Mobility for Partnership Building Program (FMPBP)](https://www.educanada.ca/faculty-mobility-for-partnership-building-program.html) competition. This program offers grants to full-time Canadian faculty for short-term teaching and/or research activities in Latin America and the Caribbean. The program enables professors at Canadian post-secondary institutions to pursue short-term research and/or teaching activities in Latin America and the Caribbean as a means of exploring, creating and advancing institutional partnerships in the areas of research, student mobility, joint programming, capacity building, and others. The primary objective of the exchange is to create new institutional collaborations and/or to strengthen existing agreements between Canadian and non-Canadian post-secondary institutions eligible under the Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program (ELAP).

Host institutions must be located in one of the following ELAP-eligible countries:

- Caribbean: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos
- Central America: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama
- North America: Mexico
- South America: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

Canadian postsecondary institutions must apply on behalf of eligible candidates using the My EduCanada portal by **05 December 2023 at 11:59pm EST**.

**Funding Amount:** $7,000 maximum  
**Duration:** 3 to 8 weeks  
**Internal Deadline:** 21 November 2023
External Deadline: 05 December 2023

The France Canada Research Fund (FCRF) Call for Proposals – Funding for New Scientific Projects Jointly Developed by French and Canadian teams

The France-Canada Research Fund (FCRF), open to every field of expertise, provides funding for new scientific projects jointly developed by French and Canadian teams that have never worked together before. Applications must come from principal investigators, both from research establishments located in France and Canada. The FCRF is co-managed by the Embassy of France to Canada and the University of Ottawa. The funding is awarded to two-year projects in amounts ranging from $8,000 to $15,000 CAD, according to the needs expressed by the principal investigators, and covers mainly researchers’ and students’ mobility.

The recording of the information session on the France Canada Research Fund (offered on Tuesday, 29 August 2023), as well as slides, are available here.

USask has a quota of a maximum of 5 applications in the 2023-2024 competition. Researchers interested in submitting an application should read the Guidelines carefully before preparing their application. The application form is available here.

Please submit your application via UnivRS by 17 November 2023 (extended from the original internal deadline of 30 October 2023) and inform us at international.office@usask.ca to participate in the internal competition.

Eligibility criteria:

- Only projects led by Principal Investigators (PIs) who have never collaborated before will be considered.
- PIs must have a tenure or tenure track position or full-time position working at an affiliate institute.
- Canadian PIs must be from one of the 23 Canadian member universities of the FCRF.

Selection criteria:

- Contribution to the advancement of knowledge (quality, scientific relevance)
- Innovative nature of the proposed project (expected project impact)
- Quality of the researchers and team members (publications, credits, other types of prior recognition)
- Proposed execution of research (methodology, calendar, budget)
- Significance and contributions of the bi-national collaboration (complementarity and balance between teams, interdisciplinarity)
- Participation of master’s or doctorate-level students and young researchers (contributions, benefits)

Applications in all research areas are encouraged. Up to eight (8) collaborative projects that fall under the following priority themes could be funded by the 2024 FCRF call for proposals:

- One Health - A multi-sector approach to achieving health equity
- Climate change and adapting to extreme environments

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact International Office international.office@usask.ca.
EndoFound Research Grants 2023
The Endometriosis Foundation of America (EndoFound) is opening its Request for Proposals for 2023 EndoFound Research Grants funding. EndoFound plans to award grants of a maximum of $50,000 each, which will be dispersed over two years ($25,000/year).

Their philosophy is to support research that improves the standard of care for endometriosis patients. Click here to read about its commitment to research.

Funding Amount: $50,000 USD over two years (25,000/year)
Internal Deadline: 17 November 2023
External Deadline: 01 December 2023

Burroughs Wellcome Fund – Next Gen Pregnancy Initiative
Building upon the original goals of the BWF Preterm Birth Initiative, a recently convened Pregnancy Think Tank has helped shape the next generation of BWF preterm birth awards. Growing evidence suggests the interrelatedness of the duration of pregnancy, fetal growth, and adverse pregnancy outcomes such as preterm birth, preeclampsia, intrauterine growth restriction, stillbirth, and maternal medical complications including maternal mortality.
Other areas of interest are climate change and environmental impact on pregnancy, complications associated with ART, and epigenome-wide association studies.

The Next Gen Pregnancy Initiative is designed to stimulate both creative individual scientists and multi-investigator teams to approach healthy and adverse pregnancy outcomes using creative basic and translation science methods. The formation of new connections between reproductive scientists and investigators who are involved in other areas is particularly encouraged.

Funding Amount: $500,000 USD over four years (125,000/year)
Internal Deadline: 21 November 2023
External Deadline: 05 December 2023 by 3pm ET

Social Science Research Council (SSRC) - Data Fluencies Dissertation Grants
The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) invites proposals from PhD candidates across the social and behavioral sciences, humanities, data sciences, and related fields to apply to the Data Fluencies Dissertation Grant competition. This competition is part of the Data Fluencies Project and consortium.

With generous support from the Mellon Foundation and in partnership with Simon Fraser University’s Digital Democracies Institute, the Data Fluencies Project works to counter the impacts of discriminatory technology
and online mis- and disinformation and foster more just and equitable futures. The Data Fluencies Project is developing an expansive and interdisciplinary approach that combines the interpretative traditions of the arts and humanities with critical work in the social and data sciences to express, imagine, and create innovative engagements with (and resistances to) our data-filled world.

*Please note this opportunity is for PhD candidates, please inform your student researchers if they may be interested.

**Funding Amount:** $15,000 USD  
**Internal Deadline:** 10 January 2024  
**External Deadline:** 24 January 2024

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**National Institutes of Health (NIH) - Grants for Research Related to Late Talking Children**

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Tackling Acquisition of Language in Kids (TALK) initiative seeks to support activities to better understand early language learning and delay. The NIH has released two funding opportunities under this call. Please see below:

1. **Leveraging Extant Data to Understand Development Trajectories of Late Talking Children:** NIH TALK invites applications for research projects that aim to further understanding of the developmental trajectories of late talking children by leveraging existing data and creating open and shared data resources to aid in identifying patterns and predictors of developmental outcomes in late talking children, and exploring potential underlying mechanisms, risk factors, and sequelae.

2. **Information and Practice Needs Relevant to Late Talking Children:** NIH TALK invites applications for research projects that aim to better understand the information and practice needs of caregivers, professionals, and other invested parties who support late talking children and to determine whether those needs are being effectively met. Community engaged research combined with rigorous qualitative research and diverse research teams are needed to enrich our understanding of how to get state-of-the-science information and practice to those who need it most to guide decisions about late talking children.

**Funding Amount:** $275,000 USD maximum for two years with no more than $200,000 requested for a single year  
**Internal Deadline:** 24 January 2024  
**External Deadline:** 07 February 2024 at 5PM (applicant organization local time)

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**Morris Animal Foundation – Behavior and Welfare of Wild or Domesticated Horses**

The mission of Morris Animal Foundation is to bridge science and resources to advance the health of animals. To achieve this aim, we fund hypothesis-driven, humane research projects with high scientific merit and the potential for significant impact. Our donors are interested in funding research that results in impactful animal health achievements and benefits both scientific and non-scientific stakeholders including veterinarians, horse owners, communities and the environment.
For this grant application the please include the following:

- The focus should be on improving the lives of horses by increasing our understanding of the behavioral domain. This includes areas such as cognition, learning, stereotypies, separation anxiety, affiliative behavior toward (bonding with) humans, the effects of equine temperament on welfare, and equine psychopharmacology. Projects using behavioral measurements simply as a tool to address non-behavioral hypotheses are not of interest.
- Pilot study proposals should be aimed at generating data to prove the viability of a novel approach or idea.
- The project may involve domesticated or wild horses.

Read more about this opportunity [here](#).

**Funding Amount:** $20,000 USD  
**Project Duration:** Maximum 12 months  
**Internal Deadline:** 28 November 2023  
**External Deadline:** 13 December 2023