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Call for Applications - Research Cooperation in the Canadian Francophonie Program

ACFAS (the Francophone Association for the Advancement of Sciences) is pleased to open a call for applications for the Research Cooperation in the Canadian Francophonie Program. This program aims to encourage research collaborations between two French-speaking researchers (or teams) from different provinces or from a province and a territory, by offering mobility grants of up to $5,000 per year. The call is open until 10 September 2023.

Who is eligible as a visiting scholar?
Graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, research professionals and professors who are associated with a public university in New Brunswick, Ontario, Nova Scotia, Quebec or at Université de Saint-Boniface.

Who is eligible as a host environment for a visiting scholar?
Professors, research professionals, research chairs and research groups who are associated with a public university in a Canadian province or territory (all provinces and territories are eligible), as well as publishers of French-language or bilingual scholarly journals in a territory or province of Canada.

Five types of collaborative projects are eligible:
1. Collaboration in a research project between two established researchers (research professionals, professors, postdoctoral fellows, etc.);
2. Collaboration in a research project between an established researcher and graduate student;
3. Collaboration in a research project between two research teams based in different provinces or territories;
4. Internship of a graduate student in a research group, a research chair or a scholarly journal, to carry out various mandates that may go beyond research, for example the administration of the journal, linguistic revision, translation, etc.;
5. Participation of a graduate student in a summer school in another province or territory.

Examples of projects funded in 2021:
- Professors Yves Bergeron of the Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue and Loïc D’Orangeville of the University of New Brunswick will combine their expertise to advance knowledge on the relative influence of climate and natural disturbances on the dynamics of isolated stands to the transition between temperate and boreal forests;
- Sandrine Duval, a doctoral student at McGill University, will complete an internship with the Canada Research Chair in Minority Studies at the University of Waterloo with Professor Nicole Nolette. This internship will focus on the study of theatre in the Canadian Francophonie;
- Marie-Pier Forest, a doctoral student at the Université du Québec à Rimouski, and Marie-Élaine Desmarais, a professor at the Université de Saint-Boniface, will collaborate in a research aimed at documenting universal pedagogy training through a professional learning community of elementary school teachers in a Franco-Manitoban minority context and to describe the influence of universal pedagogy on the well-being of teachers and their students.

Click here to read about the projects funded in 2022.
Deadline: 10 September 2023. The selected projects will be able to start in the winter of 2023.

Visiting scholars must identify a host environment before submitting their application, and attach to their application a letter of collaboration from this environment. Information on the application file (in French).

As a potential host environment, to help you identify a visiting scholar, you can post an internship offer on the program page (see details on the page) or post in the LinkedIn group.

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**Health Sciences Opportunities and Updates**

**Gairdner Awards**
The Gairdner Foundation, established in 1957, is dedicated to fulfilling James A. Gairdner’s vision to recognize major research contributions to the treatment of disease and alleviation of human suffering. Through annual prestigious Canada Gairdner Awards, the Gairdner Foundation celebrates the world’s most creative and accomplished researchers whose work is improving the health and well-being of people around the world. Please see below for the award overviews.

**Canada Gairdner Momentum Award**
Awarded to mid-career researchers working in Canada who in their last six active years have produced exceptional scientific research contributions with continued potential for impact on human health. Successful nominees will have produced a focused, cohesive body of scientific research. The Gairdner Foundation welcomes submissions from all areas of health research including but not limited to discovery, clinical, global health, and population science and translational research. See the award and nomination guidelines. Please note that there have been several changes to the application process.

**Deadline:** 15 July 2023
**Amount:** $50 000
**Information Session:** Register

**Gairdner Early Career Investigator Competition**
Up to five investigators will be chosen to give 10 minute talks in association with the Laureate Lectures on 26 October 2023 to participate in a follow-up networking session with 2023 laureates and to attend the 2023 Awards Gala on 26 October 2023. This call is open to all faculty and professionals at the Assistant Professor or equivalent rank. The talks will be broadcast live and recorded for YouTube distribution globally. This is a competitive process, with the finalists being selected by the laureates themselves. See the competition and submission guidelines.

**Deadline:** 15 August 2023
**Information Session:** Register

Contact Brittany Walch, Institutional Awards Officer at brittany.walch@usask.ca to learn more about these exciting opportunities.

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**SHRF Funding Available – Align and Mobilize**
Deadlines for the Align Grant and the Mobilize Grant are coming up in July, details for both opportunities are below.

**Align Grant**

Objectives: Applications must meet each of the following three objectives:

1) Increase research relevance, coordination, and potential for impact by:
   a. Enabling development and engagement of robust interdisciplinary research teams, including stakeholders* outside academia, AND/OR;
   b. Providing funding to complete activities that shape research to align with the Saskatchewan context and respond to Saskatchewan needs.

2) Increase quality and success of Saskatchewan applications to peer-reviewed funding competitions at the regional (e.g.; western Canadian- minimum two provinces), national and international level, as well as to SHRF.

3) Support the development of Saskatchewan research and health professional trainees through opportunities to gain experience in collaborative team building and engagement outside academia, co-development of research questions and approaches, and other research and professional skills related to proposed activities.

**Amount:** up to $10,000  
**Term:** 1-year  
**Application Deadline:** 20 July 2023 at 4:30pm CST  
**Funding Start:** 01 September 2023

**Mobilize Grant**

Objectives: Proposed activities must fulfill the purpose of knowledge mobilization by addressing at least one of the following objectives:

1) Facilitate the use and integration of health research knowledge and evidence into practice and decision making.

2) Facilitate the use of relevant knowledge (e.g., lived experiences, traditional knowledge) to inform and guide research activities.

3) Facilitate the participation of non-academic team members in the research and knowledge sharing process.

**Amount:** up to $10,000 (no matching funding required)  
**Term:** 1-year  
**Application Deadline:** 11 July 2023 at 4:30pm CST  
**Funding Start:** 01 August 2023

For questions, please contact Chelsea Cunningham (ccunningham@shrf.ca).

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**International Opportunities and Updates**

**Department of Defense (DoD): Melanoma Research Program**

The US Department of Defense has released multiple grants to support melanoma research. Please see the various grants below:
1. Idea Award (IA)
2. Melanoma Academy Scholar Award (MASA)
3. Mid-Career Accelerator Award (MCAA)
4. Team Science Award (TSA)
5. Focused Program Award – Rare Melanomas (FPA-RM)

Details about each grant and eligibility can be found here.

**Funding amount:** USS $500,000 – 2,000,000 depending on the grant  
**Deadline:** Varies  
**Internal deadline:** Two weeks before the external deadline

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**United Kingdom Research and Innovation (UKRI): Cross Research Council Responsive Mode Pilot Scheme: Round 1**

Apply for funding for breakthrough interdisciplinary ideas that transcend, combine or significantly span disciplines. This pilot scheme will support ideas not routinely funded through existing UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) responsive mode schemes.

Awards will be potentially transformative for the participating disciplines or lead to the creation of new disciplines. Principal investigators must be based at an organization eligible for UKRI research council funding. International co-investigators may be considered in this grant application. More information here.

**Total Fund:** £32,500,000  
**Award Range:** £200,000 - £1,200,000 (UKRI will fund 80% of the full economic cost of your project which can be up to £1.2 million for up to 2 years. We expect to make 36 awards.)  
**Deadline:** 20 July 2023 at 4pm UK time  
**Internal Deadline:** 06 July 2023

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**The Conservation, Food and Health Foundation (CHF) grants**
The Conservation, Food and Health Foundation grants seeks to protect the environment, improve food production, and promote public health in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Latin America, and the Middle East.

- The Foundation supports projects and applied research that:
  - Generate local or regional solutions to problems affecting the quality of the environment and human life;
  - Advance local leadership and promote professional development in the conservation, agricultural, and health sciences;
  - Develop the capacity of local organizations and coalitions; and
  - Address challenges in the field.

The Foundation prefers to support projects that address under-funded issues and geographic areas. The Foundation funds applied research, pilot projects, new initiatives, training, and technical assistance, rather than ongoing support for programs that are already well underway. An important goal for the
Foundation is to provide seed money to help promising projects, organizations, and individuals develop the track record they need to attract major foundation funding in the future.

**Funding Amount:** There is no minimum or maximum grant size. It is anticipated that most grants will fall in the $25,000-$50,000 per year range  
**Project Duration:** 1–2 year period  
**Concept Application Deadline:** 01 July 2023  
**Proposal Deadline:** 03 September 2023  
**Internal Deadline:** 20 August 2023 (Full proposal)

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**Open IDEO: Climate Resiliency Challenge**

The [Climate Resiliency Challenge](#) is an invitation for organizations and teams across the globe to develop solutions that will empower frontline communities to be ready and resilient against disasters caused by climate change – in particular, wildfires, floods, and extreme weather.

This Challenge is built around three themes that inspire our thinking about where innovation can most benefit frontline communities. Themes are not meant to be exclusionary of each other, and solution ideas can fit under any and all of the themes.

1. **PREVENTION:** Eliminating the risk of climate-related disasters and/or reducing the likelihood or severity of its impacts.  
2. **PREPAREDNESS:** Taking actions to prepare communities and individuals for climate-related disasters.  
3. **RECOVERY:** Taking immediate and long-term actions to recover from the impacts of disasters.

**Total Fund:** US$ 1,000,000  
**Funding Amount:**  
- **Emerging Innovator Award:** Early-stage concepts: Up to $50K USD  
- **Mid-stage Innovator Award:** Growth-stage concepts: Up to $100K USD  
- **Advanced Solutions Award:** Scaling-stage concepts: Up to $200K USD  
**Deadline:** 10 July 2023 at 11:59pm ET  
**Internal Deadline:** 26 June 2023

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**The Water Research Foundation (WRF): Preparing the Water Sector to Embrace Technology – Skillsets and Enterprise Management Approaches for the Digital Age**

The [Preparing the Water Sector to Embrace Technology – Skillsets and Enterprise Management Approaches for the Digital Age](#) project is funded by The Water Research Foundation (WRF) as part of WRF’s Research Priority Program. The project objectives are to:

- Introduce new skillsets, training opportunities, processes, procedures, or methodologies that would enable the digital transformation of the water sector and its workforce.  
- Develop practical guidance and/or frameworks to help a diverse set of utility sizes (large, medium, and small) with specific business needs navigate the implementation of digital transformation.
To address issues and barriers to digital transformation across their enterprises, utilities need to understand what functions and roles will be required moving forward and adapt their workforces and cultures accordingly. They need to implement new procurement strategies/language, management approaches, recruiting and retention strategies, and best-in-class training programs that support digital transformation based on short- and long-term implementation strategies.

**Funding Amount:** Applicants may request up to US$ 150,000  
**Project Duration:** 18 months  
**Deadline:** 25 July 2023 at 3pm MT  
**Internal deadline:** 11 July 2023

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**Engagement Grants: The Palaeontological Association**

The Association is a registered charity that promotes the study of palaeontology and its allied sciences through publication of original research and field guides, sponsorship of meetings and field excursions, provision of web resources and information and a program of annual awards. Awards are made to encourage educational outreach, public engagement, and related initiatives in palaeontological themes. Normally, the budget for an individual grant would be less than GBP5,000 (or equivalent currency in the applicant’s country at the time the funds are disbursed). However, under exceptional circumstances, a budget of up to GBP8,000 for an individual application will be considered. Engagement Grants can support either stand-alone complete projects, or they can be ‘proof of concept’ case studies that have their own outcomes but that form the groundwork for a larger bid elsewhere. Applications from any country and applicants of any nationality are welcome to apply.

**Funding Amount:** varies  
**External deadline:** 01 September 2023 at 11:59pm GMT  
**Internal deadline to apply:** 18 August 2023

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**BWF Climate and Health Interdisciplinary Awards (CHI)**

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund Climate and Health Interdisciplinary Award provides support for collaborative exploratory work that opens new ground for comprehensively assessing or mitigating the impacts of climate change on human health. These awards are open to both individual scientists and multi-investigator teams. Early career faculty and postdoctoral fellows nearing their transition to independence are especially encouraged to apply, whether individually or within teams. Only U.S. and Canadian citizens, permanent residents, and temporary residents may apply, and applications must be submitted by U.S. or Canadian institutions.

**Funding Amount:** $375,000 over three years  
**External deadline:** 31 August 2023 at 3pm ET  
**Internal deadline to apply:** 17 August 2023

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