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Learn more about RASI services online.

Resources for Researchers

USask Electronic Lab Notebook for Researchers
ICT | Research Computing is pleased to announce that we have renewed our license to LabArchives for campus researchers.

LabArchives is an electronic lab notebook (ELN) designed to bring the scientific enterprise into the 21st century through a secure cloud-based platform. Researchers record, manage, and share experimental data including images, diagrams, and raw data, on their favorite device. Make notes, develop and follow experimental protocols, submit reports, and much more.

Lab managers and PIs use LabArchives for compliance, access tracking, version control, progress reports, alerts, collaboration, workflows, inventory, and data security.

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Cross Disciplinary and Institutional Opportunities

New and Distinguished Research Award 2024
The Office of the Vice-President Research is inviting nominations for faculty members who have demonstrated excellence in their research, scholarly or artistic work. This is an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the outstanding achievements of University of Saskatchewan faculty members.

The Distinguished Researcher Award applies to eligible candidates that received their Ph.D or terminal degree 10 or more years ago whereas the New Researcher Award applies to eligible candidates who are within 10 years of receiving their Ph.D or terminal degree.
**Distinguished Researcher Award:** Nomination Process and Selection Criteria

**New Researcher Award:** Nomination Process and Selection Criteria

Nomination Deadline: 01 March 2024

Please submit your completed nomination package and direct any questions to Candace Leuschen at candace.leuschen@usask.ca.

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**RUH Women Leading Philanthropy Grant**

The **Women Leading Philanthropy Grant** is designed to fund innovative health-care initiatives led by female physicians, practitioners and researchers at Royal University Hospital with a goal to inspire transformative advancements in health care, while furthering women’s leadership in health.

Applications for the RUH Foundation 2024–2025 Women Leading Philanthropy **$100,000 Grant** are now being accepted. Please review the **Guidelines** and complete and submit **Part A** & **Part B** of the application by **15 May 2024**.

**Note:** Potential applicants must approach the RUH Foundation for a **pre-approval discussion** prior to submitting an application.

To inquire about upcoming WLP Grant application periods, contact Mia Cavanagh by email or call 306.655.6521.

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**CIHR Institute of Cancer Research Bulletin**

Please see below for highlights from the 16 January 2024 **ICR eBulletin**:

- **Project Grant:** Spring 2024 Priority Announcement (Specific Research Areas)
- **Engagements to Research Canada’s Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research**
- **Early Career Researchers: Apply for the Spring 2024 Reviewer in Training Program**

**Funding Deadlines:**
- **Team Grant:** Embracing Diversity to Achieve Precision and Health Equity
- **Planning and Dissemination Grants – Institute/Initiative Community Support (Winter 2024 Competition)**
- **Training Grant:** Health Research Training Platform (2024/2025)
- **Canadian Cancer Society Workplace Cancer Research Grants:** Preventing Occupational Cancers
- **Cancer Research Society Operating Grants**
- **Health System Impact Fellowship**
Fighting Blindness Canada Competitions for Early Career Vision Researchers

In 2024, Fighting Blindness Canada is celebrating 50 years of investing in innovation and the Canadian vision research community. We are excited to announce the launch of two competitions that will help support and grow the pipeline of early career vision researchers.

1) Early Career Research Grant Competition
   This competition will support exceptional early career researchers with interest in retinal degeneration (including optic nerve) with awards of up to $200,000 over two years.

   Applications from across the spectrum of retinal research are welcome, including but not limited to discovery, translational, clinical and epidemiological research.

   The competition is open to all research related to retinal degeneration but may prioritize funding projects with potential to impact individuals with inherited retinal diseases (e.g. retinitis pigmentosa, Usher syndrome, choroideremia), age-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy or glaucoma.

2) Clinician Scientist Emerging Leader Award
   This competition will support early-career clinicians (optometry and ophthalmology) who want to incorporate research into their careers with awards of up to $40,000 over two years.

   Clinician-scientists play an essential role in developing new sight-saving treatments. FBC’s Clinician-Scientist Emerging Leader Award aims to strengthen the community of ophthalmologists and optometrists who incorporate research into their careers.

   This competition is open to applications on any aspect of vision research with the potential to significantly impact the lives of people living with a blinding eye disease.

   If you have questions or have trouble submitting, please contact us at research@fightingblindness.ca.

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Egg Farmers of Canada Research Grant Program

Egg Farmers of Canada is proud to support Canadian research in egg production, poultry science, bird and human nutrition and health, and economic and environmental sustainability at universities across the country. EFC’s call for letters of intent is now open, and researchers are invited to complete and submit the funding application form. For this call, EFC has identified nine research priorities that can be found here, with a specific emphasis on environment and sustainability, and end of flock management.

All funding applications must be received by 29 February 2024 at 11:59pm. Please note that no applications will be accepted after the call closes. To fill in the application form, or to view the application guidelines and a list of EFC’s research priorities, visit EFC’s website.
SSHRC Dialogue Newsletter

Please see below for highlights from the January 2024 SSHRC Dialogue Newsletter:

- Fifty-one Institutions Receive Funding to Strengthen Research Security
- Canadian Research Can Soon Apply for European Horizons Pillar II Support
- Parliamentary Internship Programme Taking Applications for 2025-25 Cohort

Spotlight:
- Helping Survivors of Gender-Based Violence Get Usable Help
- But What Kind of Village Does it Take?

Funding Focus:
- 2024-25 Parliamentary Internship Programme (31 January 2024)
- Connection Grants (01 February 2024)
- Insight Development Grants (02 February 2024)
- Partnership Grants—Stage 1 (10 February 2024)
- Partnership Engage Grants (15 March 2024)
- SSHRC Impact Awards (01 April 2024)

See Upcoming Deadlines, or subscribe to our RSS feed.

International Opportunities and Updates

J.W. George Ivany Internationalization Award for Faculty

As part of the University of Saskatchewan Blueprint for Action 2025, the International Office announces the J.W. George Ivany Internationalization Award to recognize the achievements of a USask faculty member who provides outstanding contributions to the internationalization of the University of Saskatchewan. Nominate our amazing and deserving USask faculty for a J.W. George Ivany Internationalization Award. Nomination forms and two supporting letters must be included with submissions.

Visit here for details. Questions can be directed to international.office@usask.ca.

Nomination deadline: 29 March 2024 by 4 pm CST/SK time
Value: $1500

Global Research Leadership Award for Faculty

As part of the University of Saskatchewan Blueprint for Action 2025, the International Office announces the Global Research Leadership Award to recognize exceptional contributions of a USask faculty member toward strengthening the global profile of the University of Saskatchewan. Nominate our amazing and deserving
USask faculty for a Global Research Leadership Award. Nomination forms and two supporting letters must be included with submissions.

Visit [here](#) for details. Questions can be directed to [international.office@usask.ca](mailto:international.office@usask.ca).

**Nomination deadline:** 29 March 2024 by 4 pm CST/SK time  
**Value:** $1500

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**International Engagement Service Award for Staff**

As part of the University of Saskatchewan Blueprint for Action 2025, the International Office announces the International Engagement Service Award to recognize the achievements of a USask administrative staff member who provides outstanding contributions to the internationalization of the University of Saskatchewan. Nominate our amazing and deserving USask staff for an International Engagement Service Award. Nomination forms and two supporting letters must be included with submissions.

Visit [here](#) for details. Questions can be directed to [international.office@usask.ca](mailto:international.office@usask.ca).

**Nomination deadline:** 29 March 2024 by 4 pm CST/SK time  
**Value:** $1500

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**Global Research Leadership Award for Students**

As part of the University of Saskatchewan Blueprint for Action 2025, the International Office announces the Global Research Leadership Award to recognize exceptional contributions of a USask student or student-led team who provides outstanding global research leadership. Nominate our amazing and deserving USask students for a Global Research Leadership Award. Nomination forms and two supporting letters must be included with submissions.

Visit [here](#) for details. Questions can be directed to [international.office@usask.ca](mailto:international.office@usask.ca).

**Nomination deadline:** 29 March 2024 by 4 pm CST/SK time  
**Value:** $1500

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**USask International Office Event: Africa Lunch and Learn**

In celebration of International Development Week and Black History Month, the University of Saskatchewan International Office is hosting a Lunch and Learn event to provide an opportunity to learn more about USask’s current collaborations in Africa and make new connections between researchers already working in and/or interested in working in Africa. The topic will be Developing Sustainable Research Partnerships in Africa (SDG 17).

This event is for all leaders, faculty, and staff with a history of collaboration in Africa, and/or an interest in pursuing collaborations and partnerships in Africa.
Date: Friday February 9th, 2024
Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm
Location: HLTH 1130 (in Health Sciences). This is an in-person event only.
Note: Light refreshments and snacks will be provided.

An agenda will be circulated by email one week prior to those who have RSVPd.

We will be compiling a slide deck to overview at the event, and which can be shared with attendees following the event that contains information about the current research and collaborations between USask and partners in Africa. If you are currently collaborating with partners in Africa, we request you to complete the attached slide template and return it to our office by Wednesday, 31 January so that it can be included (please send to international.office@usask.ca).

We ask that everyone planning to attend please RSVP by emailing international.office@usask.ca by Thursday 01 February.

Mitacs: Globalink Research Award Co-Funding Stream
The Mitacs Globalink Research Award (GRA) is a Mitacs program that supports research collaborations between Canada and higher education institutions in eligible countries and regions. Under the joint supervision of a home and host professor, successful senior undergraduate students, graduate students, as well as postdoctoral fellows will receive an award of CAD 6,000; however, Mitacs only pays $4,000 of the award, and USask must contribute $2,000 toward the award. Faculty will be responsible for contributing the $2,000. Additional support above the co-pay is allowed and is encouraged for projects that will be longer than 3 months. Tri-Agency grants are not eligible to be used for this program.

Travel to Canada or from Canada can be supported, and successful student applicants notified by Mitacs have up to 12 months to execute their 12-24 week research abroad projects, which may include up to 25% time spent at the home institution. International students are eligible if their research destinations are different from their home countries. This new funding stream supports collaborations between USask and ANY universities in eligible countries. The full list of eligible countries can be found in Section “Other eligible countries and regions” under the tab “About” on Mitacs website.

To apply, please submit this preliminary application to the International Office, international.office@usask.ca, by 09 February 2024. The USask internal faculty application form can be found here. If successful, please submit the full application through UnivRS by 22 March 2024 for institutional signature to submit to Mitacs via its new online portal by 31 March 2024. USask quota: maximum 25 applications.

Funding amount: $6,000 ($4,000 from Mitacs & $2,000 as co-funding from USask)
Maximum total project duration: 12 to 24 weeks
Internal deadline: 09 February 2024
External deadline: 31 March 2024
**Human Animal Bond Research Institute (HABRI): Addressing Evidence-Based Health Benefits of Human-Animal Interaction**

The vision of the Human Animal Bond Research Institute (HABRI) is for the human-animal bond to be universally embraced as an essential element of human wellness. To that end, HABRI works to advance the vital role of the human-animal bond in the health and well-being of individuals, families, cultures and communities. HABRI is issuing a call for research proposals from institutions and organizations across the globe to investigate the health outcomes of pet ownership and/or animal-assisted interventions (AAI), both for the people and the animals involved. Proposals should have a strong theoretical framework and focus on innovative approaches to studying the positive effects of companion animals on human health. HABRI is interested in funding a wide range of studies.

For more information on areas of interest, visit [HABRI website](#).

**Funding amount:** While there is no budget cap, HABRI awards an average of 5-6 projects each year with project costs averaging approximately $45,000 per project.  
**Average project duration:** about 20 months  
**Internal deadline:** 08 February 2024  
**External deadline:** 22 February 2024 at 11:59pm Eastern

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**Norwegian Ministry of Education and Research: UTFORSK Call for Applications 2024**

The Directorate for Higher Education and Skills (HK-dir) announces up to NOK 90 000 000 in grants to educational partnerships between higher education institutions in Norway and Brazil, Canada, China, India, Japan, South Africa, South Korea, and the United States of America (USA). The projects may engage in bilateral or multilateral cooperation involving partners in one or more of the eligible countries. UTFORSK is a measure under the Panorama strategy (2021-2027). The purpose of the strategy is increased quality and relevance in higher education, research, and innovation in Norway through internationalization, and is linked to the ambition that half of those graduating from an institution of higher education in Norway should study or train abroad during their studies.

We invite you to submit proposals for collaborative projects supporting one or more of the following:

- development and implementation of joint educational activities
- increased student mobility, including internships/work placements
- integration of higher education and research
- strengthened involvement of non-academic partners

Further information can be found [here](#). In case of any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact utforsk@hkdir.no.

**Funding amount:** up to NOK 3 million in funding per project  
**Maximum total project duration:** up to four years  
**Internal deadline:** 29 March 2024  
**External deadline:** 15 April 2024 at 12pm CET/CEST
National Institutes of Health (NIH): Implementation Research on Noncommunicable Disease Risk Factors among Low- and Middle-Income Country and Tribal Populations Living in City Environments (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) participating Institutes and Centers (ICs), in collaboration with the Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases (GACD), invite applications for implementation research focused on addressing risk factors for common noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) in World Bank-defined low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) and American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) populations in the United States (US). Air, water, and soil pollution; lack of greenspace; urban heat islands; lack of safe infrastructure for walking, cycling, and active living; lack of access to healthcare facilities, lack of health insurance, and cost of medications; housing condition; and wide availability of tobacco, alcohol, and unhealthy foods and beverages contribute to the NCD epidemic in city environments. In the context of this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), "cities" include urban centers, informal settlements, slums, and periurban areas. This NOFO supports applications that propose implementation research to reduce the risks of NCDs in the context of cities in LMICs and/or among AI/AN populations in US cities, with the potential to equip policymakers and practitioners with evidence-based strategies for prevention and/or management of NCDs among disadvantaged populations globally. NIH defines implementation research as the scientific study of the use of strategies to adopt and integrate evidence-based health interventions into clinical and community settings to improve individual outcomes and benefit population health.

More information on the call can be found here.

Application budget: not limited but needs to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project
Maximum total project duration: up to five years
LOI deadline: 30 days before receipt date
Internal deadline: 26 February 2024
External deadline: 11 March 2024

National Institutes of Health (NIH): Cancer Prevention and Control Clinical Trials Grant Program (R01 Clinical Trial Required)

Through this notice of funding opportunity (NOFO), the National Cancer Institute (NCI) invites applications for support of investigator-initiated clinical trials related to the programmatic interests of the NCI Division of Cancer Prevention and/or the NCI Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences that have the potential to reduce the burden of cancer through improvements in early detection, screening, prevention and interception, healthcare delivery, quality of life, and/or survivorship related to cancer; with such attributes, the proposed studies should also have the potential to improve clinical practice and/or public health. Applications submitted to this NOFO must include studies that meet the National Institutes of Health (NIH) definition of a clinical trial (see NOT-OD-15-015 for details) and provide specific clinical trial information as described in this NOFO and the application instructions. This NOFO does not and will not support clinical trials for studies of cancer diagnosis and/or oncologic therapy in patients.

More information can be found here.
Application budget: not limited but needs to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project
Maximum total project duration: up to five years
LOI deadline: 30 days before receipt date
Internal deadline: 10 business days prior to external
External deadline: multiple starting February 2024 and expiring January 2027