Office of the Vice-President Research



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USask Workshops and Support Services

Tax Inquiries

As of August 4, 2025, Kiki Yan has stepped into the role of Senior Tax Specialist, following Tracey McHardy's retirement. Kiki is a USask alumna and Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) with strong experience in university and external tax matters. Going forward, please direct all tax-related questions and inquiries to the updated email address: tax@usask.ca. This centralized contact will help ensure timely support for tax issues across the university research community.

Cross Disciplinary and Institutional Opportunities

PIMS Funding Calls

The **Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences (PIMS)** currently has funding calls open for researchers engaged in work related to mathematical, statistical, computational, or data-driven tools and ideas in their work are highly encouraged to submit proposals. Interdisciplinary proposals exploring the intersection of mathematical sciences and other disciplines are also highly encouraged. Please to the list of opportunities listed here.

Deadline: 01 October 2025

Internal Deadline: 24 September 2025

A separately advertised opportunity facilitating 2-3 month visits to PIMS sites in France is also available here.

Deadline: 30 September 2025

Internal Deadline: 23 September 2025

For information related to PIMS funding opportunities, please contact steven.rayan@usask.ca.

New Horizons for Seniors Program - Call for Proposal 2025-26

The <u>New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP)</u> community-based stream is a federal grant. It supports projects that are designed by seniors and for seniors in their communities. This program funds projects that empower seniors in their communities through increased social inclusion.

Projects submitted for this grant (up to \$25,000) must meet at least 1 of the following program objectives:

- promoting volunteering among seniors and other generations
- engaging seniors in the community through the mentoring of others
- expanding awareness of elder abuse, including financial abuse
- supporting the social participation and inclusion of seniors
- providing capital assistance for new and existing community projects and/or programs for seniors

Organizations will be invited to apply for funding that supports the program's national priorities:

- 1. Supporting healthy ageing
- 2. Preventing senior abuse
- 3. Celebrating diversity and promoting inclusion
- 4. Supporting financial security

Your project must meet all of the following criteria:

- be no longer than 52 weeks
- request no more than \$25,000

- meet at least 1 <u>program objective</u> (If your proposed project is requesting <u>capital assistance</u>, it must meet at least 1 of the 4 other program objectives.)
- seniors will lead or play a vital role in its planning and/or delivery
- seek to benefit seniors and communities
- demonstrate cost effectiveness (value for money)

Virtual Information Session dates are available in August and September 2025. You may register here:

- 02 September 2025 English 9:30am-11:00am PT: https://simpli.events/e/NHSP-info-sept-2
- 02 September 2025 French 11:00am-12:30pm PT: https://simpli.events/e/NHSP-info-sept-2-FR
- 09 September 2025 English Northern Target 9:30am-11:00am PT: https://simpli.events/e/NHSP-info-sept-9-north
- 09 September 2025 English 12:30pm-2:00pm PT: https://simpli.events/e/NHSP-info-sept-9

Funding Amount: Up to \$25,000 for up to 52 weeks **Application Deadline:** 17 September 2025, 3:00 PM EDT

Internal Deadline: 10 September 2025

Health Sciences Opportunities and Updates

SHRF 2025-26 Solutions Program - \$2.6M in Health Research Funding Available

SHRF's Solutions Program supports collaborative and engaged research for the development and implementation of innovations to address timely Saskatchewan health needs and create a sustainable impact in a focused area through two funding opportunities – Innovation and Impact Grants.

Funding is open to all areas and disciplines of research, provided that they aim to improve health and wellbeing in one of the identified focus areas and demonstrate fit with the grant objectives.

Focus Areas:

In the 2025-26 competition year, the following focus areas are available. Applications need only address one of these focus areas.

- Brain Health
 - o Funding Partner: Brain Canada
 - o \$1.4M in funding available
- Pediatric Brain Health
 - o Funding Partner: Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation
 - o \$500K in funding available
- Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias
 - Funding Partner: Alzheimer Society of Saskatchewan
 - o \$500K in funding available
- Lung Health
 - o Funding Partner: Lung Saskatchewan
 - o \$200K in funding available

Note: Applications to Pediatric Brain Health and Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias will also be considered for Brain Health funding

Funding Opportunities:

Innovation Grant

Objective: Catalyzing new ideas and approaches to support innovative solutions that respond to focus area

gaps and needs.

Details: Up to \$50,000 for 1 year

Impact Grant

 $Objective: Advancing \ promising \ solutions \ into \ real-world \ and \ practical \ applications \ that \ respond \ to \ focus \ area$

gaps and needs.

Details: Up to \$150,000 for 2 years

Team Requirements:

There must be at least three Applicants/Investigators who are based in Saskatchewan and fulfill the following requirements:

- One researcher who meets the eligibility requirements for a Principal Applicant
- A second researcher who brings a different disciplinary perspective
- A knowledge-user who brings perspectives on the practical applications of knowledge generated through the proposed research.

Other Eligibility Notes

- The Principal Applicant can submit only one application per annual Solutions competition (one Innovation Grant OR Impact Grant application) but may be a co-principal investigator or co-investigator on other applications.
- Previous Innovation and Impact grant recipients may apply to either grant with a new proposal that builds on their previously funded grant with new research questions.
- Previously unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to revise and resubmit their applications, taking into
 consideration peer reviewer feedback and current program guidelines. The application form provides
 space to respond to previous review comments.

Eligibility Check Cut-off: 18 September 2025 – 4:30 p.m. CST Full Application Deadline: 13 November 13 2025 – 4:30 p.m. CST

Internal Deadline: 06 November 2025

Funding Start: 01 March 2026

Information Webinar: Watch now >

Full details here: www.shrf.ca/innovation-impact Program Contact: Karen Tilsley (ktilsley@shrf.ca)

Equity and Access Research Program

The **Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS)** has released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for its **Equity in Access Research Program**, which is dedicated to funding health services research.

Through this RFP, **Building Evidence for Effective Interventions to Increase Therapeutic Cancer Clinical Trial Accrual: Promoting Access for Patients from Underrepresented Groups**, a maximum of \$2.5 million for each grant over 5 years will be awarded.

The LLS team is seeking proposals that will implement and evaluate interventions designed to:

- Mitigate multilevel barriers to therapeutic clinical trial accrual for underrepresented groups
- Quantitatively measure the impact of these interventions on patient accrual

They are particularly interested in proposals that address systemic, institutional, and clinician-related barriers that impede clinical trial participation.

It is not necessary for applicants to have previously conducted research in blood cancer. However, for early-career PIs who have not previously received a large grant award, such as an R01, they require the inclusion of a more experienced Co-PI.

The RFP and more information on how to submit a Letter of Intent is available at LLS.org/EquityinAccess.

Deadline for Letters of Intent: Thursday, 11 September 2025, 3 pm ET.

Internal Deadline: 04 September 2025

Please contact researchprograms@lls.org with any questions.

Career Awards for Medical Scientists (CAMS)

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund is now accepting applications for the **Career Awards for Medical Scientists** (**CAMS**). This highly competitive award provides **\$700,000 over five years** to support physician-scientists at a critical transition in their careers—from advanced postdoctoral training to the early years of faculty service.

CAMS is designed to:

- Protect time for **high-impact research** as physician-scientists build independence.
- Encourage innovative approaches in basic biomedical, disease-oriented, or translational science.
- Strengthen the pipeline of clinician-investigators by supporting career development at a pivotal stage.

Eligibility highlights:

- Applicants must hold an M.D., D.O., D.V.M., or equivalent clinical degree.
- Applicants should be within the last years of advanced postdoctoral training and moving toward independence as faculty.
- Strong publication record required, including at least one first-author peer-reviewed paper.

Deadlines:

• Letter of Intent: 07 October 2025, 3pm ET

• Full Application (by invitation): February 2026

• Internal Deadline: January 2026

More details and application instructions are available here: Career Awards for Medical Scientists (CAMS)

Lung Cancer Canada Awards Now Accepting Applications

Lung Cancer Canada is accepting applications for two research award programs with up to \$100,000 in grants available.

Geoffrey Ogram Memorial Research Award

Founded in honour of lung cancer advocate and former Lung Cancer Canada Board member Geoffrey Ogram, this award funds high-impact projects focused on early detection, prevention, and disparities across populations. The research focus of applications should revolve around early detection and/or the etiology of lung cancer in different demographics and populations.

Deadline: 30 September 2025 @ 11:59pm PST

Internal Deadline: 23 September 2025

Award Amount: 1-2 grants available, at \$25,000 each

For More Information & To Apply: <a href="https://lungcancercanada.ca/about-us/research-program/geoffrey-ogram-

memorial-research-grant/

Give a Breath Research Award

A second round of funding is now available to support new projects focused on treatment innovations beyond first-line therapy for advanced lung cancer patients. The research focus of applications should revolve around advancements for patients with advanced or metastatic (i.e., stage III or IV) lung cancer; specifically, initiatives that apply to those beyond first-line therapy

Deadline: 30 September 2025 @ 11:59pm PST

Internal Deadline: 23 September 2025

Award amount: Two (2) grants available, at \$25,000 each

For More Information & To Apply: https://lungcancercanada.ca/about-us/research-program/give-a-breath-

research-award/

** Please note that both of these research funding opportunities are intended to support projects with demonstrated financial need. Funding will be allocated based on the level of need demonstrated by applicants, as determined by the adjudication committee. We prioritize equitable distribution of resources and encourage applicants to be transparent in their submissions regarding their financial need.

Please contact Winky Yau at winky@lungcancercanada.ca for more information.

SHRF partners on 2026-27 MS Canada Research Competition

SHRF has partnered with MS Canada to co-fund Saskatchewan-based applications in any area of MS research through MS Canada's available funding opportunities. Co-funded endMS Personnel Awards may be eligible to receive a \$10,000 top-up from SHRF.

MS Canada Research Funding Opportunity Details:

Discovery Research Grants (https://mscanada.ca/operating-grants)

Catalyst Research Grants (https://mscanada.ca/catalyst-research-grant)

endMS Personnel Awards:

Doctoral Studentships (https://mscanada.ca/endms-doctoral-studentship-awards)

Postdoctoral Fellowships (https://mscanada.ca/endms-postdoctoral-fellowships)

Application Deadline: 02 October 2025 - 4pm ET

Internal Deadline: 25 September 2025

Applications are submitted through MS Canada's portal (https://proposalcentral.com/) and inquiries regarding the funding opportunities should be directed to ms.grants@mscanada.ca

Applications that are to be conducted at institutions located in Saskatchewan will be automatically considered for funding for an MSC-SHRF partnership.

Questions about SHRF Partnership Program can be directed to Karen Tilsley (ktilsley@shrf.ca)

International Opportunities and Updates

Register for USask's People Around the World (PAW) Congress

Registration for the <u>People Around the World (PAW) 2025 International Congress</u> is open until Friday 10 October 2025 at 6:00pm CST. The PAW Congress is taking place on our University of Saskatchewan (USask) Saskatoon campus from 22-24 October 2025.

This year's theme of *Healthy people*, *healthy planet: Driving innovation with data* will examine the benefits of shared perspectives, highlighting solutions to support local and global communities guided by data-driven insights and innovative technologies.

The Congress will offer an action-packed three days that feature keynotes, panel sessions, student poster sessions and more from leading institutions and experts around the world who are at the forefront of health and data innovation. Check out the website for recently added program updates.

Learn from Timothy Caulfield—best-selling author and professor of health law and policy—as the opening keynote speaker and from André Picard—award-winning national health writer and author—as the closing keynote speaker.

Register now and join researchers, scholars, industry partners, government representatives and community members for this dynamic event!

Learn more and register here.

Registration Open - 2025 Pre-PAW Congress Workshops: Partnering with the Czech Republic, Germany and France

Join us on Monday, 20 October 2025 and Tuesday, 21 October 2025, for three exciting workshops offered as part of the 2025 Pre-PAW Congress programming, designed to connect faculty, students, and staff through global opportunities in research and education. These workshops are free and open to all. Due to a limited number of spots, please register in advance to secure your place.

1. Unlocking research collaboration with the Czech Republic: strengths, priorities and funding

Date: Monday, 20 October 2025 **Internal Deadline:** 13 October 2025

Time: 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Location: Location TBA, University of Saskatchewan Main Campus

The USask International Office would like to invite faculty, students, staff and others interested to the 2025 Pre-PAW Congress workshop offered by the Consulate General of the Czech Republic in Toronto. This interactive workshop, presented by representatives from the Czech Republic Consulate in Toronto, will offer valuable insight into research collaboration with the Czech Republic. The session will explore the strengths, priorities and funding opportunities available to collaborate with the Czech Republic and highlight major research and infrastructure projects in the Czech Republic.

Participants will hear directly from Eva Libs Bartoňová, Head of Trade and Investment Section at the Consulate General of the Czech Republic in Toronto. She will share insights on how to explore international funding and research collaborations in the Czech Republic and will provide practical guidance for researchers at all stages. The presentations will be followed by an extended Q&A session to encourage dialogue and support the development of future partnerships.

Register here: https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/RQK658N

2. Funding Research in Germany

Date: Tuesday, 21 October 2025 **Internal Deadline:** 14 October 2025

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Location TBA, University of Saskatchewan Main Campus

Hosted by USask's International Office as part of the 2025 Pre-PAW Congress programming, this interactive workshop will offer valuable insight into the German research landscape, funding structures, and academic exchange opportunities for Canadian students, scholars, and institutions. The session will explore avenues for research and academic collaboration with Germany, and feature representatives from Germany's two leading funding organizations: the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and the German Research Foundation (DFG).

Participants will hear directly from Bettina Schuffert, Program Officer at the DFG Office North America in Washington, D.C., and John Paul Kleiner, Senior Manager, University Relations at the DAAD Information Centre in Toronto. Both speakers will share insights on how to explore international funding, research collaborations, and study opportunities with the *Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and DFG* in Germany and will provide practical guidance for researchers at all stages. The presentations will be followed by an extended Q&A session to encourage dialogue and support the development of future partnerships.

Register here: https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/RJHKSXV

3. Choose France for Research

Date: Tuesday, 21 October 2025 **Internal Deadline:** 14 October 2025

Time: 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Location: Location TBA, University of Saskatchewan Main Campus

The USask International Office would like to invite faculty, students, staff and others interested to the 2025 Pre-PAW Congress workshop, to learn about the research opportunities and priorities between Canada and France. This workshop will feature a keynote presentation by Dr. Géraldine Dantelle, Attaché for Science and Higher Education at the French Embassy in Canada, who will offer insights into the French research landscape and pathways for collaboration.

The workshop will feature presentations from both USask researchers and partner institutions in France and will include reflection on personal experiences working across borders and disciplines. The session will conclude with a panel discussion and an audience Q&A on how to engage innovatively to achieve common research goals and sustain the partnership.

Register here: https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/RJH7ZHR

The workshop agendas and room locations will be shared with attendees closer to the date. Come discover what's possible when research crosses borders!

Looking for Partners for Horizon Europe Proposals – One-pager template available

If you are looking for partners to collaboratively apply for Horizon Europe funding opportunities, you are encouraged to complete the <u>Call for Partners_University of Saskatchewan_Canada.docx</u> form and send it to USask International Office at <u>international.office@usask.ca</u>. The USask international research facilitation team is here to support you in connecting with networking resources and opportunities, identifying potential partners, developing a strong application strategy and navigating the submission process.

Please also consider signing up for the introductory <u>Horizon Europe Canvas Course</u>, a self-paced course designed to support USask researchers and their teams in exploring and applying for Horizon Europe funding. This course will guide you through the fundamentals of the program, help you assess your readiness to engage with Horizon Europe, and outline practical next steps for getting involved - <u>Horizon Europe Readiness Checklist for USask Researchers</u>.

Mitacs - Horizon Europe International Mobility Award (IMA)

As previously communicated, the **Mitacs – Horizon Europe IMA** is designed to support Canadian faculty and eligible small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in the early stages of consortium-building and proposal development under Horizon Europe Pillar II. This offering will provide short-term funding to facilitate travel and in-person engagement with European collaborators – addressing a well-recognized barrier to meaningful participation in one of the globe's largest research funding frameworks.

Applications must be submitted by one faculty member, with the option to include either one additional faculty member or one SME Partner Organization. Applications must not include more than two travelers. There are no restrictions on academic disciplines or industry sectors however, fields must align with Horizon Europe calls for proposals and/or corresponding European research consortia. Awards will be valued at up to CAD \$5,000 per traveler (maximum \$10,000 per award).

Call opens: Monday, 25 August 2025 Call closes: Monday, 29 September 2025 Internal Deadline: 22 September 2025 Travel concludes: Friday, 29 May 2026

For more information on applicant eligibility, please view their website or contact Pilots@mitacs.ca.

SSHRC Destination Horizon Grants – Last Round of Competition in 2025

Destination Horizon Grants support researchers affiliated with eligible Canadian postsecondary institutions to build capacity, foster existing partnerships, and further develop networks and/or consortia with European Union and other "associated countries" researchers, with the ultimate goal of applying to Horizon Europe—Pillar II calls for proposals.

Destination Horizon Grants are not intended to support implementation of Horizon Europe projects. Instead, the grants support activities between researchers that facilitate:

- disciplinary and/or interdisciplinary exchanges;
- scholarly exchanges;
- intersectoral exchanges between academic researchers and practitioners from the public, private and/or not-for-profit sectors; and/or
- international research collaboration and scholarly exchanges between researchers affiliated with Canadian postsecondary institutions and researchers, students and non-academic partners from the EU and other associated countries.

Funding amount: up to \$15,000

Duration: one year

External deadline: 22 September 2025 **Internal EOI deadline:** 03 September 2025

Please note that a postsecondary institution may only submit up to three Destination Horizon Grant applications for a given deadline so internal selection must occur prior to submission. To submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) for consideration to apply for the 22 September 2025 deadline please send the following documents to international.office@usask.ca with the subject line "Destination Horizon Grants" by 03 September 2025. The email should include the following attachments:

- Project Description (max. 1000 words)
- o a description of the existing relationships with researchers, partners, networks and/or consortia from European Union and associated countries;
- o a description of the overall research goals and specific research objectives of the researchers, partners, networks and/or consortia;
- a description of how Destination Horizon funding and host contributions will support the further development of the network and/or consortium in order to apply to a future Horizon Europe—Pillar II call for proposal;
- o the nature and extent of training, mentoring and employability activities for students, emerging scholars and/or other highly qualified personnel, if applicable; and
- o details on how all activities can be undertaken within one year.
- List of Applicants (please provide name, affiliation, email address, and role in this application)

- Funds requested from SSHRC (template at this link)
- Matching funds from other sources (template at this link) Please note: SSHRC requires a 100% matching fund in the form of cash contributions.

For more information about this grant, please visit the program website.

German Research Foundation - Initiation of International Collaboration Program

DFG (German Research Foundation) launched <u>this program</u> to support German researchers interested in establishing collaborative scientific relationships with partners abroad to apply for funding for trips abroad, guest visits or for exploratory workshops.

USask researchers are encouraged to work with their German partners to explore collaboration opportunities with the support of this funding opportunity.

Eligibility Requirements

Researchers who have already achieved their doctorates and who are working in the German scientific system may apply.

Funding is available for the following collaborative measures:

- Trips abroad (max. three months) or guest visits in Germany (max. three month);
- Exploratory workshops.

For more information, please visit the program website.

Deadline: Proposals may be submitted at any time.

Internal Call for Applications: Innovation Saskatchewan Top-Up Funding for Eligible DAAD Programs

The Government of Saskatchewan's innovation agency and the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) committed to supporting joint efforts to promote the international exchange of students and researchers and research and academic collaboration between the Saskatchewan and German universities and research institutions.

Through this initiative, the top-up funding is offered to the students, faculty and post-docs at the University of Saskatchewan (USask) who have been successful in obtaining financing through one of the eligible DAAD programs (link) to cover/reimburse costs associated with DAAD program, but not covered by the award. Faculty members are encouraged to consider supporting any postdocs they are working with to apply to eligible DAAD programs to support their research stay at USask or in Germany.

Eligible expenses include:

- Travel related expenses: airfare from Germany to/from SK; reasonable accommodation costs; meal per diems; ground transportation
- Research related expenses: direct costs; materials and supplies; project specific space rental; use of specialized equipment.

Priority Areas

The priority areas defined by Innovation Saskatchewan apply to both students and faculty and include:

- **Health** (e.g., One Health)
- Synchrotron sciences
- Digital technologies, industry, and space (e.g., quantum computing, artificial intelligence)
- Food security, bioeconomy, natural resources, agriculture, and environment/climate change

^{**}Letter of support will be required at the full application stage.

• **Energy** (including nuclear, renewable, and alternative energy sources)

How to apply:

Application and supporting documents provided to the International Office at international.office@usask.ca with subject line DAAD-IS Top-Up Funding Application:

- 1. Award letter from DAAD;
- 2. Copy of the application package submitted to DAAD;
- 3. Provide the following information in email text:
- Indicate that this is a Stream 1 application
- DAAD program name (eligible programs listed here)
- Lead applicant and affiliated unit as well as a list of participating USask team members
- Relation of the proposed activities to one of the abovementioned priority areas
- Outcomes to be achieved in relation to participating in the DAAD program
- Top-up funding budget; and
- · Budget justification

If you have any questions and/or would like to discuss your application with the International Office team, please contact international.office@usask.ca with subject line DAAD-IS Top-Up Funding Inquiry.

Competition open date: 10 April 2025

Competition close date: 01 October 2025 or until the funding is exhausted

Internal Deadline: 24 September 2025

DAAD activity must be completed by: 20 January 2026

Ignacio H de Larramendi Grants - Fundación MAPFRE

Through the **Ignacio H. de Larramendi Research Grants** Fundación MAPFRE promotes projects carried out by individual **researchers or research teams**, within the academic and professional spheres, who carry out their work independently or within the framework of a university, hospital, company or research center to which they are affiliated, and whose object of study is related to **health promotion** or **insurance and social protection**.

The foundation supports research through this initiative because it firmly believes that furthering knowledge is the key to improving the quality of life of the people who make up society.

The research projects related to **health promotion** have a maximum gross endowment of **30,000** euros per grant, and must explore one of the following **topics**:

- Strategies and education to change habits: prevention of obesity, and the promotion of physical activity and emotional well-being (including the appropriate use of new technologies).
- Emergency response training for the general population.
- Assessment of bodily harm: assessment of the consequences of an event (traumatic or accidental, medical negligence, aggression or disease) on the health of the individual and its repercussions on the essential activities of ordinary life and other specific activities of personal development (pain and suffering, loss of quality of life).
- Health management: clinical quality and safety.
- Longevity and how lifestyle influences this.

The endowment for projects related to **insurance and social protection** will be a maximum gross amount of **15,000 euros**, for studies aimed at exploring the following topics:

- Insurance.
- · Risk management: emerging risks.
- New technologies in the insurance field.

• Social protection: pensions, savings, investment, asset liquidation and the Silver Economy (longevity economics).

Funding amount: 30,000 euros per grant in health promotion; 15,000 euros – in insurance and social protection

External deadline: 20 October 2025 Internal deadline: 06 October 2025

UArctic - University of the Arctic - Entrepreneurship Fund

To truly solve the challenges facing the Arctic, and thus the world, UArctic believes strongly in supporting local solutions and innovations. UArctic is committed to enhancing human capacity in the North and promoting viable communities and sustainable economies. One way to do that is to complement existing prize funds with a seed-fund, training and mentorship program, encouraging innovation on a local level - the UArctic Entrepreneurship Fund. This will help to create a pipeline for existing prize funds and also allow for diversification in both creative products and local enterprises. The program is managed and run by the UArctic Thematic Network on Managing Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises in the North, with UiT The Arctic University of Norway as the host.

The <u>UArctic Entrepreneurship Fund</u> is open to any individual with an incubator-stage product or service that aims to benefit the Arctic environment or Arctic communities and has a positive, demonstrable impact on the Arctic. We especially encourage applications from Arctic Indigenous and/or northern-based entrepreneurs.

All applications are expected to meet the following criteria to qualify for scoring:

- 1. Background overview of the submitter (with a résumé)
- 2. A true new product or service
- 3. **A value proposition** that clearly addresses how the product or service will directly impact the Arctic environment or Arctic communities
- 4. A business overview/pitchbook, outlining (as applicable):
 - o company description
 - o understanding of the problem and market potential
 - o product or service description
 - marketing strategy
 - o high-level financial projections/use of the funds
 - o appendix (for any documents or data to support the other sections)

A grant request amount (or amounts, if varying budgets would impact the ability to execute on the business plan in a meaningful way) and an accompanying 6-12 month budget explaining how and where the grant amount would be spent. Expected grant disbursement amounts are in the range of \$2,000 to \$5,000 USD, though exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis.

Duration: up to one year

External deadline: 31Oct 2025 Internal deadline: 17 Oct 2025

Academics Without Borders (AWB): Volunteer opportunity - Karatina University, Kenya

<u>Academics Without Borders (AWB)</u> is a Canadian nonprofit organization. Its mission is to help low and middle-income countries improve their universities and colleges so that they can train their own experts and conduct research to promote their countries' development.

Karatina University, located in Karatina, Kenya, began in 2007 as the Mount Kenya campus of Moi University. In 2010 it became Karatina University College, a constituent college of Moi University. In 2013, it was granted a

charter as an independent institution. Following an AWB project to assist the leadership of the Directorate of Research at Karatina University to set priorities to build capacity for faculty members that are early career researchers, the need for further training in data analysis, data management, and machine learning was identified as a high priority.

In partnership with AWB, Karatina University is seeking a volunteer to work with the faculty team to develop and deliver a training workshop to enhance the knowledge and skills of faculty in data analysis, data management, and machine learning. Working with the Director of Research and targeted faculty members, the volunteer will assist to develop a training workshop.

Number of Volunteers: 1

Location: Karatina University, Karatina, Kenya. This project will be conducted both online and on-site. After an initial phase of online collaboration, an on-site working visit will be planned.

Language: English

Start Date and Duration: The volunteer opportunity will initially involve working online with the Directorate of Research as described above. Ideally, the volunteer will be able to begin collaboration remotely as soon as appointed, and the onsite visit will be planned for the 4th quarter of 2025 or the 1st quarter of 2026.

Requirements: They are looking for faculty members (working or retired) with a PhD and a significant publication history in data analysis, data management, and machine learning. The selected candidate will have strong scholarly writing abilities and experience securing grants. Applicants should have excellent interpersonal, communication and facilitation skills and be excited about the role of higher education in global development. Those with experience working in academic settings in low and middle-income countries are especially encouraged to apply.

Deadline: 19 September 2025

Internal Deadline: 12 September 2025

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For more information, email research.services@usask.ca

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