OADR Grant Development Office Weekly Digest

This message has been sent on behalf of the Office of the Associate Dean Research (OADR) Grant Development Office. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jenna Slobozian (jslobozi@ucalgary.ca), Clint Westgard (chwestga@ucalgary.ca), Brandi Povitz (brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca), Paul Daniels (paul.daniels1@ucalgary.ca) or Sara Mahjor (smahjor@ucalgary.ca).

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Funding Opportunities

**CIHR - Training Grant : Health Research Training Platform (2021/22 Pilot)**

The Health Research Training Platform (HRTP) Pilot funding opportunity is intended to support the development of interdisciplinary, inter-jurisdictional, and intersectoral research training platforms that will attract a diverse cadre of high-caliber trainees and ECRs, and equip them with the skills required for academic and non-academic careers. These research training platform grants can be used to build capacity in established or emerging areas, within the scope of the research training areas identified in the funding pools outlined in the Description. Registration is required and is due to CIHR on April 21, 2021. Research Services’ final internal deadline for the full application is noon on June 17, 2021.

**Prostate Cancer Foundation**
The award funds ($75,000/year over three years) may be used innovatively and flexibly to advance the career and research efforts of the awardee. This for example, includes funding “protected time” or direct costs for laboratory science. This award does not support indirect costs such as institutional overhead. Every PCF Young Investigator is required to be under the direct supervision of 1-3 mentors. Young Investigator awardees are required to attend the Annual PCF Scientific Retreat and Young Investigator Day, typically held in October, throughout the duration of their award.

Research Services deadline is April 7, 2021 at 9:00am.

**Alex’s Lemonade Stand Reach Grant**

The purpose of the Reach Grant is to advance ALSF’s mission to find cures and better treatments for childhood cancers by providing support to move hypothesis-driven research into the clinic. Significant barriers exist that impede the translation of innovative and important ideas to the clinic. The Reach Grant seeks to remove one of these barriers by providing support for important preclinical projects that are necessary to move a study from the pre-clinical arena into a clinical trial. Thus, the goal of this award is to support selected late-translational studies. Preference will be given to those research projects which, if funded, will likely result in the initiation of a clinical trial in two to three years from the start of the project, by, for example, completing IND-enabling studies, providing requisite preclinical data for clinical trial development, or perhaps through the validation of biomarkers that will enable selection of the correct patients for entry into new clinical trials.

Research Services deadline is March 17, 2021 at 12:00pm.

**2021 AHS Respiratory Health Research and Innovation Seed Grant Awards**

The Respiratory Health Section of the Medicine Strategic Clinical Network is pleased to announce a research and innovation funding opportunity, the RH-MSCN Research and Innovation Seed Grants Program. This program will offer funding to support the development of short-term, pilot research projects or research and innovation activities that aim to improve value, access, efficiency, or quality of respiratory care in Alberta through health services research and innovation. A total of $30,000 of funding will be available in this year’s competition; three projects will be awarded up to $10,000 each of funding support.

Research Services deadline for full application is March 10, 2021 at 12:00pm.

To confirm your internal deadline and process for submission for any external grant you can visit the Research Services Office (RSO) funding calendar.
Funding Deadline Calendar

If the competition you are applying to is missing from the calendar please contact rsogrants@ucalgary.ca.

CIHR Project Grant Spring 2021

Upcoming Grant Development Office Information Sessions:

To learn more about the Spring 2021 competition, including the new updates, please attend one of the following sessions. Content will be similar in both sessions:

**Session 1**
February 17th, 12:00pm-1:30pm

[Register Here]

**Session 2**
March 4th, 11:00am – 12:00pm

[Register Here]

Best,

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CIHR Chair Opportunity: Applied Public Health

**CIHR Applied Public Health Chairs**

The CIHR Institute of Population and Public Health (IPPH), the CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR), the CIHR Healthy Cities Research Initiative (HCRI) and the CIHR HIV/AIDS Research Initiative, in partnership with the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) is collaborating to offer a new [Applied Public Health Chairs (APHC)] opportunity. The purpose of this opportunity is to fund [mid-career applied public health researchers] in Canada who will undertake applied research programs
that tackle pressing public health challenges and who will work with decision makers to help support evidence-informed decisions that improve health and health equity.

Notify Research Services of your interest in applying as soon as possible via email to osadagha@ucalgary.ca.

Letters of Intent, plus approval in the Research Management System (RMS), will be required by RSO by noon, March 15, 2021.

A webinar regarding this opportunity will be offered as follows:

- **When:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 11:00 am ET
- **Language:** English presentation followed by a period of questions and answers in both official languages, English and French
- **Duration:** 90 minutes

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**Feb 24 deadline - International Research Partnership Workshop Grant ($10,000)**

University of Calgary International is pleased to announce the International Research Partnership Workshop Grants in support of the newly launched Global Engagement Plan. Application and information: [https://www.ucalgary.ca/international/funding-and-resources](https://www.ucalgary.ca/international/funding-and-resources)

- **Number:** 6 grants of $10,000 each
- **Call for Proposals:** February 10
- **Application Deadline:** February 24
- **Decisions:** First week of March
- **Tenable:** Two year period: April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2023

**Overview**

Piloted in 2019, the international researcher partnership workshop is a partnership between two universities that have faculty members with similar research interests or a history of collaboration. The grant funds allow researchers the opportunity to meet and explore, identify and implement joint research interests and projects.

This initiative allows the matching of researchers, ideally at various stages of their careers, to have intensive, focused time to develop joint projects to fast-track outcomes and enhance potential for future opportunities. The collaboration is intended both to initiate or advance new projects and to identify and develop funding opportunities to support the work. Pilot workshops resulted in collaborative research projects that received external international funding and resulted in joint publications.
For planning purposes, note that visits at both institutions, 6-12 months apart, can support progress of the work. In the pilot program, these visits were 2-5 days, and matching funds from the partner institution and/or home faculty of the researchers were secured to make the reciprocal visits possible. For this grant application, identification of matching funds is encouraged, but not required. In some instances, other funding can be leveraged. Some examples include the Mitacs Globalink program, the Tri-Council Michael Smith foreign study supplements for graduate scholarship holders, and Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) grants and fellowships.


Please click here for the International Research Partnership Workshop Grant Terms of Reference.

**Criteria**

- For the **selection of the partner university**: there is an existing agreement, MOU with the partner AND/OR an established and sustainable research relationship (Joint publications, formal supervision of PhD students, visiting scholars, etc) with a colleague or colleagues at the partner institution. Applicants can use the search tool to find University of Calgary institutional partnerships here: [Partnership Database](https://go.ucalgary.ca/index.php/email/emailWebview?md_id=143973).

- **Participants**: One workshop lead and at least two other continuing (tenured or tenure-stream) faculty member participants at each institution. The researchers should have an identified set of shared interests. Graduate student participation is optional.

- **Aligned with Plans and Strategies**: Projects should be aligned with academic and/or research plans and/or other institutional strategies and plans, such as the [Global Engagement Plan](https://go.ucalgary.ca/index.php/email/emailWebview?md_id=143973), Indigenous strategy (ii’taa’poh’to’p), research themes and faculty plans.

- A **sustainable plan** to manage the research activities, including contingency plans if the pandemic continues to hinder travel for a longer period.

- **Approval** of the relevant faculty Dean(s) at both institutions.

Please direct inquiries to Dr. Cheryl Dueck, c/o lisa.lindsay@ucalgary.ca

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**OADR Grant Development Webinar**

[The Black Box of CIHR Virtual Peer Review Committees](https://go.ucalgary.ca/index.php/email/emailWebview?md_id=143973)
Date: Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Hear first-hand from those who reviewed virtually for the Spring 2020 Project Grant competition. Our panelists will discuss how peer review is working during the pandemic and will share their advice for submitting a competitive application.

**Moderator:** Jenna Slobozian, Manager, Grant Development

**Panelists:**

- Dr. Eric Smith, Chair, Behavioural Sciences – B2: Clinical Behavioural Sciences
- Dr. Jennifer Chan, Reviewer, Cancer Biology and Therapeutics 2
- Dr. Kirsten Fiest, Reviewer, Health Services Evaluation & Interventions Research 2
- Dr. Joon Lee, Reviewer, Public, Community & Population Health 2

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[Register Here](#)