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 Opportunity

VPR Catalyst Grants intake closes Feb 16; Info Session on Jan 29

The Office of the Vice-President (Research) internal stimulus grant program, VPR Catalyst Grants asks researchers to think boldly and strategically to maximize the impact of downstream funding. The next intake deadline is February 16, 2021.

VPR Catalyst Grants will prioritize those who present a winning research context, including aspects such as mentorship, strong collaborators, and knowledge engagement partnerships.

- Designed to catalyze research initiatives that will lead to substantial external funding
- Intended to support early-stage research activities
- Value: $1,000 - $15,000
• Duration: Catalyst funds should be used within 6 months
• Deadlines: 4 intake dates per year

Apply Now

Learn more at the Catalyst Grants Info Session

The VPR welcomes all those interested in applying to join Dr. William Ghali and program administrators at an info session on January 29, 2021 from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. on Zoom. We will share insights and tips from the first round of Catalyst Grants, and answer questions from those planning to apply for a future round of funding.

Meeting link: https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/95958382830
Meeting ID: 959 5838 2830
Passcode: 114952

The VPR Catalyst Grants replaces the Health and NSE streams of the URGC Seed Grants program.

EFC Research Funding - Call for letters of intent now open

Egg Farmers of Canada is proud to support Canadian research in egg production, poultry science, animal and human nutrition, 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 (available here), with a specific emphasis on environment and sustainability and end of flock management.

All funding applications must be received by March 1, 2021. To fill in the application form, or to view the application guidelines and a list of EFC’s research priorities, visit EFC’s website: http://www.eggfarmers.ca/research/

Please note that this opportunity is not administered by the Research Services Office.

Invitation to Register: Navigating Partnered Research Series

Navigating Partnered Research is a digital series hosted by Research Services to provide support and guidance for faculty members interested in pursuing partnered research projects in the social sciences and humanities. This multi-part series will cover a variety of support topics and supports ranging from identifying exploring different funding opportunities for partnered research initiatives, engaging with community, building partnerships for research, mobilizing partner
research knowledge and workshopping your concept and research plans with experts from across campus.

The first two sessions of this series are outlined below. More details on the entire series are available [here](https://go.ucalgary.ca/index.php/email/emailWebview).

### Finding Your Fit | Feb 4, 9:30 a.m. MT
- Join Dr. Penny Pexman, Associate Vice-President (Research) and the Research Services Office for an overview of SSHRC programs and funding opportunities. This session will cover internal and external funding opportunities for research (including partnered research) and how they can support the different stages of a research program.
- Register [here](https://go.ucalgary.ca/index.php/email/emailWebview)

### Pathways to Partnership | Feb 25, 1:30 p.m. MT
- Gain insight into the partnership process, including how and when to connect with community partners, what supports (services and funding) are available at the University of Calgary, and the value of building and maintain meaningful partnerships for research.
- Register [here](https://go.ucalgary.ca/index.php/email/emailWebview)

If you have any questions, please contact the KE team at knowledge.engagement@ucalgary.ca

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## CIHR: Reviewer in Training Program

On January 18th CIHR released a pre-announcement for the Reviewer in Training (RiT) Program. This is a program that builds on and replaces the CIHR Observer program. The RiT program provides a learning opportunity for Early Career Researchers to gain a better understanding of the peer review process through direct participation in the Project Grant competition with the support of a mentor.

- Participants will be assigned 3 applications to conduct practice reviews, attend the peer review meeting, present one of their reviews, and participate in the committee discussion of their assigned applications.
- Each participant will be assigned a mentor, either a committee chair or scientific officer, that will provide advice and support throughout the review process. This will include feedback on participants written reviews, prior to the committee meeting.
- If you complete the RiT program you will then be able to participate in peer review when requested (and available to do so) by CIHR.
Eligibility:

- To be eligible to participate in the RiT program, individuals must meet CIHR’s definition of an Early Career Researcher and must be working at a Canadian institution. Please note that CIHR has temporarily "paused the clock" regarding ECR status and this will apply within the RiT program.
- Early Career Researchers who previously participated in the CIHR Observer program are eligible but are required to re-submit an application.
- You are eligible to apply even if you are submitting an application as a Nominated Principal Applicant (NPA) or Principal Applicant (PA) in the current competition. If selected, you will participate on a committee that is not reviewing an application where you are a NPA or PA.

The application period will open on February 1, 2021 and close on February 26, 2021.

To Apply:

1. You will need a CIHR PIN [https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38201.html](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38201.html)
2. A PDF of your CIHR Biosketch Common CV
3. A letter confirming your eligibility as an Early Career Researcher. Please email Jenna Slobozian (jslobozi@ucalgary.ca) prior to February 12th to obtain your letter.
4. The names of two peer review committees – in order of preference – that you would like to participate on for which you have the appropriate expertise to review

Approximately 120 applicants will be selected, by lottery, which represents two opportunities per Project Grant Program committee. CIHR is committed to equitable and inclusive participation and may implement strategies in the lottery process to enhance equity, diversity, and inclusion.

To see the full details on the program visit: [https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52291.html](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/52291.html).

If you have any questions about this program please contact me at any time.

Best,

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OADR Grant Development Webinar

Planning the best response to an unsuccessful grant
Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2021
Time: 11:00 am – Noon

You put your heart, soul and precious time into your last grant application but weren’t funded. What do you do now? Jenna Slobozian will discuss the various pathways you can take to get your project funded, the resources available to help you improve your next application and how to craft an effective response to reviewers. Dr. Gabriel Fabreau will share how he turned an unsuccessful grant around.

Presenters: Jenna Slobozian, Manager, OADR Grant Development
Dr. Gabriel Fabreau, Assistant Professor, Department of Community Health Sciences

Questions? Email Brandi Povitz (brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca).

Register Here

NSERC Collaborative Research and Training Experience program (CREATE) Webinar

NSERC will be hosting a webinar information session regarding its Collaborative Research and Training Experience program – details below.

The university is limited in the number of CREATE applications which may be submitted in any year, and the intake process for the 2021 application cycle has now closed. Those interested in a future application are welcome to join NSERC’s webinar, and can contact Research Services at ipd@ucalgary.ca at any time for more information.

Webinar details

English session: February 4th, 2021, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (MT)
French session: February 5th, 2021, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (MT)
Registration is not necessary – anyone can connect using this link: https://nsercvideo.webex.com/meet/guy.faubert

PLEASE NOTE: If you experience sound quality problems during the meeting, please connect via the Webex telephone line:

Webinars will be recorded; contact ipd@ucalgary.ca if you cannot participate live, and we will share a recorded copy when NSERC makes it available.

SSHRC Insight Development Grant - RSO detailed review deadline

Notice: SSHRC has advised that the Research Portal will be undergoing maintenance on Tuesday, January 19th between 6:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. (Calgary time) and will be
periodically unavailable during this time.

To accommodate this scheduled outage, for SSHRC Insight Grant Development applicants wishing to receive an optional, detailed review, Research Services will be allowing submissions until **7:00pm on Tuesday, January 19**. This is an extension from the standard 4:00pm deadline for detailed administrative review. If wishing for a detailed review:

1. Submit your application in the SSHRC Research Portal system (click “submit” once verified as complete) by 7:00pm on January 19.

2. Submit your RMS approvals record for departmental/faculty approval in good time to ensure that approvals are given by close of day on January 19.

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**Deadline extension for CIHR Operating Grant : Early Career Investigator Grants in Maternal, Reproductive, Child & Youth Health**

**CIHR Operating Grant : Early Career Investigator Grants in Maternal, Reproductive, Child & Youth Health (2020)**

CIHR has extended the full application deadline to February 9, 2021. Accordingly, RSO’s final, internal deadline has been moved to **February 5, 2021**.

For more information, please see the [Funding Deadline Calendar](#).