As a reminder, below are the ORS deadlines for submitting research proposals and FAAFs (Funding Application Approval Form):

For large, complex grant applications (e.g., tri-agency major programs, those that require matching funds and/or additional institutional support, etc.)

- 10 working days in advance of agency deadline

For other regular and/or ‘rolling’ and one-time grants:

- 5 working days in advance of agency deadline

Also as a reminder, researchers should work with the University’s Research Facilitators early in the proposal development stage.

TRI- AGENCIES:

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH (CIHR):

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- Undergraduate Summer Studentship Awards (2018): The CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis (CIHR-IMHA) is sponsoring Undergraduate – Summer Studentship Awards in 2018. The purpose of this funding opportunity is to provide undergraduate and health professional students with opportunities to undertake health research projects with established investigators in an environment that provides strong mentorship.

The CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis (CIHR-IMHA) will provide funding for meritorious applications that are determined to be relevant to one or more areas of its mandate. CIHR-IMHA’s mandate is to support ethical and impactful research to enhance active living, mobility, and oral health and to address the wide range of conditions related to bones, joints, muscles, connective tissue, skin, and teeth. More information on the research priorities of CIHR-IMHA can be found on their web sites.

Funds Available
The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $150,000, enough to fund approximately 30 awards. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The maximum stipend amount per award is $5,000 for four months.

An additional 25 percent (at minimum) above the stipend contribution (i.e. $1,250 or more) must be secured from other sources by the supervisor(s), such as university funds, CIHR and/or NSERC grants, or any other research funds.

**Objectives**

To target the early stage of the student’s academic training to increase research capacity and encourage the pursuit of the specific areas of strategic interest identified by the Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis.

**Application Deadline:** February 21, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** February 14, 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR),  
bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

**Network Grant in Transplantation Research:** Through the previous Program Grant in Transplantation Research, CIHR and its partners supported the formation, operations, and research activities of the Canadian National Transplant Research Program (CNTRP). To address the pressing health issues around transplantation, CIHR and its partners wish to continue this support.

The CIHR Network Grant in Transplantation Research will support CNTRP infrastructure that will continue to develop and fund research projects that address the many facets of organ/tissue donation, solid organ, and hematopoietic stem cell transplantation, foster continuous and improved collaboration and networking across the transplantation field, and that provide the community with an opportunity to continue its efforts at the national level with a program that is transforming the clinical outcomes for Canadian transplant patients. This non-renewable funding will ensure continuity of the activities established by this Network while allowing them to institute a sustainability plan.

This funding opportunity will fund CNTRP’s infrastructure to support research related to organ/tissue donation, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation, and solid organ transplantation.

**Funds Available**

- The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $3,300,000, enough to fund one grant. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The funding distribution will be as follows:
  - $943,334 in fiscal year 2018-2019
  - $1,210,000 in fiscal year 2019-2020
  - $1,030,000 in fiscal year 2020-2021 and
  - $ 116,666 in fiscal year 2021-2022
- Of this $3,300,000:
  - CIHR will be investing a total of $2,400,000 over 3 years through participating Institutes funds. This funding must be dedicated to support research infrastructure. The CIHR funding distribution will be as follows:
$583,334 in fiscal year 2018-2019
$850,000 in fiscal year 2019-2020
$850,000 in fiscal year 2020-2021
$116,666 in fiscal year 2021-2022

- Astellas Pharma Canada through the Liver Foundation will invest $180,000 per year for the first two years for a total of $360,000
- Cystic Fibrosis Canada will provide $20,000 per year for three years for a total of $60,000
- The Fonds de Recherche du Québec en Santé will provide $100,000 per year for three years for a total of $300,000
- The Kidney Foundation of Canada will provide $60,000 per year for three years for a total of $180,000

**Application Deadline:** February 15, 2018
**ORS Deadline:** February 8, 2018
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- **CIHR-IPPH Winter Travel Awards (no link available yet):** On January 23, IPPH will be launching their Winter Travel Awards for use in spring and summer 2018. CIHR-IPPH travel awards focus on building capacity in the population and public health research field by supporting trainees, new investigators, and knowledge users to attend workshops and present at conferences.

Building on the success of last year’s Starting Investigator Workshop, IPPH will bring researchers at the beginning of their careers together to share experiences and connect with established researchers and partners. The workshop also aims to familiarize starting investigators with CIHR and bring clarity to the grant process. IPPH has space and funding for 20 travel awards to prospective participants who wish to attend this three-day workshop held in Ottawa, Ontario from June 10-12, 2018.

Additionally, IPPH is supporting two public health conferences: the Canadian Public Health Association’s [Public Health 2018](#) Conference and the [Fuse International Conference](#) on Knowledge Exchange in Public Health. Attending these conferences is a great way for new investigators and trainees to present their research, network with other public health professionals, and gain valuable insight into other areas of the field.

Each travel award has a value of $1,500. Full details for these three opportunities will be available on [ResearchNet](#) starting January 23, 2018.

**Application Deadline:** TBA
**ORS Deadline:** TBA
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- **Planning Grants (no link available yet):** IPPH will be re-launching their Social Science for Population Health Planning Grants competition again in 2018 with broader eligibility. These awards, launched for the first time in 2017, are meant to aid the preparation of grant proposals focused on understanding or changing the structural factors and contexts that shape health and health equity, most prominently the social determinants of health and related cultural, economic, legal, political, and regulatory environments.
This unique funding opportunity is specifically intended to support health social scientists based in any type of academic unit who have never previously been the Nominated Principal Investigator of a CIHR open operating grant. The aim is to support these researchers to obtain support through the agency’s recently reformed open suite of programs (i.e., Foundation and Project Schemes) to conduct research that helps improve the health of populations and promote health equity in Canada and globally.

The maximum amount available for a single grant is $20,000 per annum for up to one (1) year. Up to 20 grants will be funded. Full details for this opportunity are anticipated to be available on ResearchNet starting February 5, 2018.

**Application Deadline:** TBA  
**ORS Deadline:** TBA  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), brynjonesquare@umanitoba.ca

**Gender-Net Plus Joint Call for Proposals:** Explore the Importance of Sex and Gender in Health: CIHR is part of an international consortium (GENDER-NET Plus), which will support research that explores the importance of sex and gender in health. GENDER-NET Plus will take the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as a point of departure for the topics of this call.

**Requirements**

Interested Canadian applicants will be required to:

- Apply individually through CIHR ResearchNet
- Be part of a European Commission application with at least two European research partners, each from a different partnering country

**Funds available**

The total amount available for Canadian researchers from CIHR is $1.5 million CAD, enough to fund five (5) grants. The maximum amount available is $100,000 CAD per year for up to three (3) years for a total of $300,000 CAD, per grant.  
**Note:** Canadian researchers are not eligible for EU top-ups.

**Webinar:** Join online meeting  
**Password:** 737JyDpM  
**Join by phone:** 1-877-413-4788 (Toll-free from Canada)  
**Access code:** 608 945 7

**About the opportunity**

GENDER-NET Plus is part of the European Research Area Network (ERA-NET) Cofund, one of whose aims is to foster the integration of sex- and gender-based analysis (SGBA) into research and funding programs. CIHR’s participation in GENDER-NET Plus is part of the **Personalized Health Initiative**, a priority-driven initiative funded through the CIHR Roadmap Accelerator Fund. One of the objectives of the Personalized Health Initiative is increasing researcher awareness about the importance of SGBA. CIHR is interested in
supporting applications that explore the importance of sex and gender in health and gender, sex, and aging in diagnosis and treatment.

**Pre-proposal Deadline:** March 1, 2018  
**Application Deadline:** July 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** July 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

![Project Grant: Spring 2018 Priority Announcement (Specific Research Areas): Antimicrobial Resistance (PJ3)](image)

Priority Announcements (PAs) offer additional sources of funding for highly rated applications that are relevant to specific research areas. Applications are submitted through the "201803PJT" competition of the Project Grant: Spring 2018 funding opportunity. The CIHR Institute of Infection and Immunity (CIHR-III) and the CIHR Institute of Population and Public Health (CIHR-IPPH) will offer funding for applications that are determined to be specifically relevant to CIHR’s Antimicrobial Resistance Initiative.

**Funds Available**

- The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $200,000
- The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is $100,000 per annum for up to one (1) year

**Registration Deadline:** February 6, 2018  
**Application Deadline:** March 6, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** February 20, 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

![Project Grant: Spring 2018 Priority Announcement (Specific Research Areas): CIHR HIV/AIDS Research Initiative](image)

Priority Announcements (PAs) offer additional sources of funding for highly rated applications that are relevant to specific research areas. Applications are submitted through the "201803PJT" competition of the Project Grant: Spring 2018 funding opportunity.

The **CIHR HIV/AIDS Research Initiative**, which is responsible for the management and oversight of the research components of the Federal Initiative to Address HIV/AIDS in Canada, will provide funding for applications that have a primary focus on HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C, and other sexually transmitted and blood-borne infections (STBBIs) across all CIHR Research Themes (i.e., biomedical research, clinical research, health services research, and social, cultural, environmental and population health research).

- Research that focuses on key populations identified by the Federal Initiative to Address HIV/AIDS in Canada is highly encouraged. Key populations include: First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples; gay men and other men who have sex with men; women; youth at risk; injection drug users; prison inmates; people living with HIV/AIDS; and people from countries where HIV is endemic.
Funds Available

- The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $400,000
- The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is $100,000 for up to one (1) year

Specific Requirements

In order to be deemed relevant to this Priority Announcement, projects must include HIV/AIDS and/or STBBI issues as essential elements of the research objectives, hypothesis, and analyses, and this must be well described in the project summary. With respect to diseases or conditions common in people living with HIV/AIDS, the focus of the project must be on the disease/condition within the context of HIV/AIDS. Similarly, projects investigating determinants of health or health systems that influence a wide range of health issues, HIV/AIDS, and/or STBBIs must be the focus of the investigation.

Registration Deadline: February 6, 2018
Application Deadline: March 6, 2018
ORS Deadline: February 20, 2018
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

Pre-Announcement: Women’s Heart and Brain Health Chair Awards

Through this initiative, Heart & Stroke, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Institute of Aboriginal Peoples Health, Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health, Institute of Gender and Health, and the New Brunswick Health Research Foundation (NBHRF) will support up to four (4) investigators who demonstrate long-term commitment to women’s heart and brain health. Policies, programs, and interventions that take into consideration the study of vulnerable populations and special populations are strongly encouraged. The Chairs are focused on Research Themes 3 (Health Services Research) and 4 (Social, Cultural, Environmental, and Population Health Research).

Up to four grants are available, one each to support a single:

- Chair in Indigenous Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (early career)
- Chair in Indigenous Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (mid-career)
- Chair in Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (early career)
- Chair in Women’s Heart and Brain Health – (mid-career)

Funds Available

- Heart & Stroke and its partners will support successful applications with a maximum of $150,000 /year for up to five (5) years to undertake a program of research. The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $3.375 million dollars (enough to fund up to four (4) Chairs)
- The maximum amount per grant is $150,000 per year for up to 5 years
- Funds may only be used to support research activities conducted in Canada and not as salary support for the principal investigator/applicant
• For applications to the early career Chair in Indigenous Women’s Heart and Brain Health, in the case of creation of a new position, an additional $75,000/year is available as a supplement to support the salary of the successful applicant
• The New Brunswick Health Research Foundation (NBHRF) will contribute up to $50,000/yr (for the duration of the award) in support to successful applications from New Brunswick based researchers
• The Heart & Stroke Quebec office will contribute up to $75,000/yr in support (for the duration of the award) to successful applications from Quebec-based researchers
• In addition to the National Chair awards outlined, there will be an additional QUEBEC Chair offered to a Quebec researcher who qualifies through peer review and supported by the Quebec office of Heart & Stroke and potential partners

Launch Date: January 19, 2018
Expression of Interest/Registration Submission Deadline: February 28, 2018
Application Deadline: April 27, 2018
ORS Deadline: April 20, 2018
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

Pre-announcement: Gender-Net Plus ERA-NET Cofund on Sex, Gender and UN Sustainable Development Goals

Through the leadership of the CIHR Personalized Health Initiative, the CIHR Institute of Gender and Health is a member of GENDER-NET Plus, an international consortium of sixteen research funders in thirteen countries. These 16 partners from 13 countries have joined forces to launch a co-funded call for proposals, which will support research that aims to address urgent societal challenges through a sex and gender lens.

CIHR is pleased to announce that it will make funding available to support Canadian researchers interested in investigating sex and gender in health through transnational collaborations.

No documents need to be submitted through CIHR ResearchNet for the Pre-proposal stage; however, CIHR ResearchNet applications will be required at the Full application stage. It is anticipated that the CIHR Funding Opportunity will be available on ResearchNet in late January 2018.

Funds Available

The total amount available for Canadian researchers from CIHR is $1.5 million CAD, enough to fund five (5) grants. The maximum amount available is $100,000 CAD per year for up to three (3) years for a total of $300,000 CAD, per grant

Webinar: January 2018 (to be confirmed)
Pre-Proposal Deadline: March 1, 2018
Full Application Deadline: July 2018
ORS Deadline: July 2018 (specific date TBA)
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

IHDCYH in collaboration with the Institute of Aboriginal Peoples’ Health (IAPH), Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health (ICRH), Institute of Infection and Immunity (III), and Institute of Neurosciences, Mental Health and Addiction (INMHA) is pleased to pre-announce the launch of the 2018 funding opportunity for the CIHR Early Career Investigators in Maternal, Reproductive, Child and Youth Health program.

The program funds research that has the potential to have a significant impact on maternal, reproductive, child and youth health outcomes. Ultimately, the program aims to strengthen Canada’s capacity and knowledge to respond to challenges and needs by providing important early career development support to researchers in these fields.

**Funding**

The total amount available from CIHR for the 2018 funding opportunity is $1,260,000, enough to fund up to 12 grants.

- The maximum amount per grant from CIHR is $35,000 per year for up to 3 years for a total of $105,000.
- The CIHR contribution must be matched at a minimum of 1:1 by the successful applicant’s host institution and/or other partner(s):
  - Matching funds must be 100% cash contributions; cash equivalent matching contributions are not eligible.

**Registration Deadline:** April 2018  
**Application Deadline:** May 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** May 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- **Opportunity for Early Career Investigators: Call for Expressions of Interest**

CIHR is pleased to continue to offer an Observer program for early career investigators (ECIs) to participate as an observer in the peer review process of the Project Grant: Spring 2018 competition.

**The role of the ECI**

Selected ECIs will be invited to observe committee meetings taking place in Ottawa as part of the review process for the Project Grant competition. There will be one ECI per committee. As observers, the ECIs will not participate in review discussions.

**Important dates**

The face-to-face meetings will be held in Ottawa in **May and June 2018**. Exact dates will be confirmed with each selected ECI once they are assigned to a committee. CIHR will cover the travel costs for the ECI to attend the committee meeting.

**Eligibility**
To be eligible to participate in this observer program, the ECI must be within 60 months of their first independent appointment as of the application deadline of the Project competition, March 6, 2018.

Candidates who are submitting applications as Nominated Principal Applicant or Principal Applicant in the current Project Grant competition are eligible for this opportunity but cannot observe their first choice committee to which they have applied or the committee that is adjudicating their submission should it be different.

ECIs who previously participated in the observer program for a Project Grant competition are not eligible to participate.

Please note that participation in this program is not a prerequisite to becoming a reviewer in the future (nor is it a guarantee that an individual will meet the eligibility criteria to become a reviewer at a later date). Further, this program will help to shape the formal peer review training and mentoring strategy within the College of Reviewers. A survey will be issued to all participants at the end of this process to inform future launches or similar

Application Deadline: N/A
ORS Deadline: N/A
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

➢ Call for Nominations: 2018 Institute Advisory Boards (IABs)

A call for nominations will be launched in early 2018. Open and transparent, this recruitment process will focus on filling remaining gaps in expertise on Institute Advisory Boards (IABs). Until the online application is launched, and in preparation for submitting your IAB Application, you can start by filling the template Funding CV named CIHR IAB as indicated below:

Step 1 – Creating a CIHR PIN and/or a ResearchNet Account

- Access ResearchNet and use the “Register” link to request a new account
- If you do not already have a CIHR PIN, sign in to your ResearchNet account. Once signed in, click on your name (top right of the screen) and select from the drop-down menu "Register for a CIHR PIN" and complete the form
- There will be a delay of approximately one working day to receive confirmation of your PIN
Note: You will be required to validate your PIN on the Common CV system prior to submitting your CV. To validate your PIN/System Account choose the PIN option from the main menu and follow the instructions. For additional information, click on the "Register with CIHR" link.

Step 2 - Create a CIHR IAB CV

- Login to your Common CV account
A new funding CV template named **CIHR IAB** has been created to capture the necessary IAB applicant information. This template is a scaled-down version of CIHR’s current Academic and Knowledge User CVs as it contains only the information required for the purpose of selecting IAB members.

**Note:** It is not necessary to enter data in the Generic CV. Select the **Funding CV** named **CIHR IAB** (not the generic CV) to focus your efforts on providing the information required for applying to become an IAB member.

**Application Deadline:** N/A  
**ORS Deadline:** N/A  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR),  
[mailto:bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca](mailto:bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca)

- **ICS Planning and Dissemination Grants (no link available yet)**

CIHR-IHSPR will provide funding for applications for dissemination activities that are determined to be relevant to the following strategic research areas:

- Healthy aging in the community
- Innovations in healthcare financing and funding (including international comparisons)
- eHealth Innovations
- Learning health systems

**Anticipated Launch Date:** February 5, 2018  
**Application Deadline:** March 1, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** February 22, 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR),  
[mailto:bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca](mailto:bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca)

- **CIHR Barer-Flood Prize for Health Services and Policy Research**

The **CIHR Barer-Flood Prize for Health Services and Policy Research** is a career achievement award that honours and recognizes an exceptional researcher in the area of health services and policy research who has created a seminal body of work that has had a substantial impact on health services and policy research, policy and/or care delivery.

The CIHR - Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR) is dedicated to fostering excellence and innovation in health services and policy research and to catalyzing the application of research findings to policies, practices and programs that provide real-world benefit and enhance the provision of high-quality health care for Canadians. The Institute aims to position Canada as a global leader in ensuring that initiatives designed to improve the health of Canadians and the strength of the Canadian health care system take advantage of timely research evidence.

The award is named in honour of the leadership, vision and innovative contributions of the first two Scientific Directors of the Institute, **Morris Barer** and **Colleen Flood**.

**Funds Available**

The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $25,000, enough to fund one prize
each year or as otherwise determined by IHSPR. The maximum amount per prize is $25,000 per annum for one year. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate.

The prize consists of a certificate, an opportunity to deliver a keynote lecture and the $25,000 in research grant funding.

Application Deadline: May 1, 2018
ORS Deadline: April 24, 2018
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

IHSPR Article of the Year Award 2018

The CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR) is dedicated to supporting the advancement of health services and policy research in Canada. To this end, we are pleased to launch the 2018 competition of the IHSPR Article of the Year Award.

Objectives

This award is intended to recognize published research in a peer-reviewed journal that has significantly contributed to the advancement of the field of health services and policy research in Canada. IHSPR will consider articles related to:

- Research that demonstrates a clear impact or potential impact on policy, practice, or health outcomes (e.g., decision maker uptake, change management for improved practice);
  OR
- Research that breaks ground in the way health services or policy research is conducted (e.g., innovations in methodology, novel theory or application of theory, new approaches to existing problems).

Award

One (1) award will be distributed. The award will be granted to the lead author(s) on the top article for research as described in the above stated objectives. The award recipient will receive the following:

- An award of $10,000;
- The opportunity to receive the award and/or deliver an invited talk at a CIHR-IHSPR or partner event (and up to a maximum of $2,000 in conference registration and travel support to attend);
- Promotion of the author and award winning article through various CIHR channels, including the CIHR website and CIHR-IHSPR newsletter;
- A certificate of excellence from CIHR-IHSPR.

Nomination Deadline: February 23, 2018
ORS Deadline: N/A
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca
IHSPR Rising Star Award 2018

The CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR) is dedicated to supporting graduate students and post-doctoral Fellows and to recognizing the research excellence and knowledge translation initiatives of these emerging health services and policy researchers at an early stage in their career.

**Objectives**

- To recognize the excellence of Canadian research and innovative knowledge translation (KT) initiatives of graduate students (e.g. M.D., M.A., M.Sc. and PhD) and post-doctoral fellows studying health services and policy research;
- To recognize research and/or KT contributions for which a graduate student or post-doctoral fellow has had primary responsibility;
- To promote careers in health services and policy research.

**Award**

IHSPR will recognize up to three (3) graduate students and/or post-doctoral fellows studying in all fields and disciplines related to health services and policy research. Each award recipient will receive the following:

- An award of $1,000 award (preferably used to present research at a scientific meeting or to attend a health services and policy research training program);
- Up to a maximum of $1,500 in travel support to attend the annual Canadian Association of Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) conference;
- Publication of their profile on the IHSPR website and in an IHSPR newsletter; and
- A certificate of excellence from CIHR-IHSPR.

**Nomination Deadline:** February 23, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** N/A  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

Request for Applications: ERA-NET Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2018 (JTC2018) on Cardiovascular Research Projects driven by Early Career Scientists

JTC 2018 aims at enabling Early Career Scientists in different countries to build an effective collaboration on common multidisciplinary research projects. The consortia should be based on complementarities and sharing of expertise in the field of cardiovascular disease with a clear translational research approach. The call aims to promote cooperation and interchange between Early Career Scientists and thus enable international collaboration and new consortia establishment in cardiovascular research.

The Canadian Request for Applications will be published on ResearchNet in February 2018.

Note that no documents need to be submitted to CIHR for the Pre-Application stage.
Following the review of pre-applications, Canadian applicants invited to submit a Full Application to the JTC2018 must complete a CIHR application and submit it through ResearchNet by June 15, 2018.

The deadline for submission of this application is the same as the Full Application deadline to the Joint Transnational Call.

**Deadline for Submitting Pre-Proposals:** May 15, 2018  
**Deadline for Submitting Invited Full Proposals:** June 15, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** June 8, 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- **Pre-Announcement: Travel Awards – Winter 2018 (no link available yet)**

  CIHR-ICRH is pleased to announce that the following travel awards are available to the ICRH research community through the 2018 Winter Institute Community Support (ICS) Program Travel Awards Competition:

  - $25,000 is available to fund applications relevant to the CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health Travel Awards
  - $4,000 is available to fund applications relevant to the CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health/Canadian Sleep Society (CSS) Travel Awards
  - 10,000 is available to fund applications relevant to the CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health /2018 International Symposium on Atherosclerosis (ISA 2018) Travel Awards

  The maximum amount for a single award is $1,000

  **Anticipated Launch Date:** January 23, 2018  
  **Anticipated Deadline:** February 14, 2018  
  **Anticipated ORS Deadline:** February 7, 2018  
  **ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- **Pre-Announcement: Planning and Dissemination Grants – Winter 2018 (no link available yet)**

  The CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health (ICRH) will provide funding for applications that are consistent with the mandate of the Institute, and that will stimulate research planning and dissemination activities, and that are relevant to the following research priority areas described below:

  - Women’s Health
  - Addresses the intersection of two ICRH mandate areas (e.g., hypertension and stroke)
  - Addresses the intersection of ICHR’s mandate and that of another Institute (e.g., nutrition and chronic disease)

  45,000 is available to fund applications relevant to the CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health. The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is $15,000 per
annum for up to one (1) year

Specific Requirements

- Annually recurring meetings and events will not be supported through this funding opportunity
- The event/activity must take place in Canada
- It is expected that events/activities should include stakeholders from several regions in Canada. Local events/activities will not be given priority
- Demonstrated partnership is required for all applications relevant to ICRH

Anticipated Launch Date: February 5, 2018
Anticipated Deadline: March 1, 2018
Anticipated ORS Deadline: February 22, 2018
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Office (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

NATURAL SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA (NSERC):

- NSERC – Strategic Partnerships Grants Competition 2018

The goal of the Strategic Project Grants (SPG) Program is to increase research and training in targeted areas that could strongly enhance Canada’s economy, society and/or environment within the next 10 years.

In 2017, NSERC added a Letter of Intent (LOI) stage to the application process for the Strategic Partnership Grants for Projects. The LOI stage is mandatory for all applications to Strategic Partnership Grants for Projects (SPG-P). Specific instructions for the Form 189 (SPG LOI) can be found here. Please note that this LOI requires a complete Partnership Module (Form 183A) including Form 183A and support letter.

Each application will be strictly screened for fit to program and fit to target area. The four target areas are:

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Environment and Agriculture
- Information and Communications Technologies
- Natural Resources and Energy

Strategic Partnerships – PROJECTS:
ORS Letter of Intent deadline: 22 January 2018
Agency Letter of Intent deadline: 1 February 2018
Agency notifies applicants (invited/not invited): 1 April 2018
ORS full application deadline: 24 May 2018
Agency full application deadline: 7 June 2018 (upon invitation)

Strategic Partnerships – NETWORKS:
ORS preliminary application deadline: 19 March 2018
Agency preliminary application deadline: 1 April 2018
Agency notifies applicants (invited/not invited): 15 July 2018
ORS full application deadline: 1 February 2019
Agency full application deadline: 15 February 2019 (upon invitation)

ORS Contact: Andrea Craig, Research Grants Officer (NSERC)
andrea.craig@umanitoba.ca

SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA (SSHRC)

➤ Partnership Engage Grants

Partnership Engage Grants provide short-term and timely support for partnered research activities that will inform decision-making at a single partner organization from the public, private or not-for-profit sector. The small-scale, stakeholder-driven partnerships supported through the Partnership Engage Grants are meant to respond to immediate needs and time constraints facing organizations in non-academic sectors. These grants are valued at $7,000 to $25,000 over one year.

Application Deadline: 15 March 2018
ORS Internal Deadline: 28 February 2018
ORS Contact: Barbara Hewitt, Research Grants Officer (SSHRC & Misc)
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HEALTH RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

➤ Research Manitoba 2018 research competition: - ‘UPDATED’

While Research Manitoba traditionally launches the Trainee, New Investigator, and Mid-Career Investigator Health Competitions December 1st, the launch of the 2018-2019 competition has been postponed. Please be aware that with the recent budget cut and current strategic planning process, there could be significant changes for, and possible cancellations of, existing programs. Research Manitoba is currently working through this process and will share more information in the last week of April, 2018. Please check the Research Manitoba website for more information. For further information please contact:

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MITACS:

➤ Mitacs Globalink
2018 International Opportunities for University of Manitoba Students
Opportunities Available for Undergraduate and Graduate Students
Mitacs is now accepting applications for competitive international research opportunities for UM student travel.

Effective January 2018, the Globalink Research Award (GRA) has increased its list of eligible destinations.

**New destinations include:**
- Australia
- Brazil
- China
- **EU member countries**
- In France, both universities and Inria Research Centres are eligible host institutions
  - Israel
  - India
  - Japan
  - Korea
  - Mexico
  - Norway
  - Saudi Arabia
  - Tunisia
  - United Kingdom
  - United States

The award provides $6,000 for research collaborations between senior undergraduate and graduate students at Canadian universities. Students interested in travelling in Fall 2018 are encouraged to submit their completed applications in May.

For further details visit the Mitacs website.

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➢ The Canadian Science Policy Fellowship is now accepting applications from prospective fellows interested in undertaking a 12-month policy project with a Canadian government host office. Applicants can apply to **up to six approved projects** in their area(s) of interest.

Eligible applicants must be:

- Faculty members at Canadian universities or PhD graduates
- Canadian citizens or permanent residents (applicants are responsible for confirming their eligibility for individual projects)
- Able to negotiate a leave of absence from their university or employer, as applicable

The 2018 cohort of fellowships will begin in September 2018. Approved fellows receive remuneration from their host offices and professional development training and networking events facilitated by Mitacs.
Applications will be accepted until **March 4, 2018, at 11:59 p.m. PT**. For more information, please visit the [Canadian Science Policy Fellowship](http://www.canadian-science-policy-fellowship.com) or contact policyfellowship@mitacs.ca.

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**OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **Canada-China Scholars’ Exchange Program (CCSEP)**  
  Global Affairs Canada and the Chinese Ministry of Education are offering short-term scholarships to Canadians wishing to study abroad in China. Scholarships are awarded for studies, research, language studies or a combination of studies and language studies at participating Chinese institutions.


  **Application deadline:** Tuesday, March 6, 2018 - for both the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD) and the China Scholarship Council (CSC)  
  **International Centre contact:** Kennis Fung, International Partnership Officer (Asia and Oceania), [Kennis.Fung@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Kennis.Fung@umanitoba.ca)

- **Canada Council for the Arts – Explore and Create: Research and Creation**  
  The Research and Creation component of Explore and Create supports the initial stages of the creative process. Canadian artists, artistic groups and arts organizations can apply to develop and make creative works. Grants provide support for creative research, creation and project development. These grants are valued up to $50,000 over two years.

  **Application Deadline:** ongoing  
  **ORS deadline:** 2 weeks prior to submission  
  **ORS Contact:** Barbara Hewitt, Research Grants Officer (SSHRC & Misc)  
  [barbara.hewitt@umanitoba.ca](mailto:barbara.hewitt@umanitoba.ca)

- **SOCAN Foundation**  
  Grants are provided to organizations or individuals for activities benefiting Canadian music creators. SOCAN Foundation provides grants for Canadian music creators and publishers working to promote appreciation for Canadian music in today’s society. Our grants support the spread of our music both within Canada and abroad, ensuring our voices are heard all over the world and in our own back yard.

  **Application Deadline:** 15 March 2018  
  **ORS Internal Deadline:** 01 March 2018  
  **ORS Contact:** Barbara Hewitt, Research Grants Officer (SSHRC & Misc)
WORKSHOPS/EVENTS/MEETINGS:

German/Swiss Funding Information Session (Research and Mobility Opportunities)

Monday, February 5th, 2018.

Including presentations by Funding Agency Representatives:
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Toronto
- Swiss Embassy, Ottawa

Time: 1:30 to 3:30
Location: Senate Chamber, Room E3-262 Engineering Building

Hosted by the UM Regional Advisory Group (German-Speaking World)

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Understanding Dementia: An Exchange with Experts on Prevention, Treatment, and Care

This bilingual event is hosted by the CIHR Institute of Aging in partnership with the Public Health Agency of Canada, the Alzheimer Society of Canada, and the Canadian Consortium on Neurodegeneration in Aging.

The event is free of charge. However, space is limited. Please RSVP at events.evenements@cihr-irsc.gc.ca by January 25, 2018. The event will also be broadcast live on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/HealthResearchInCanada/.

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For more information on ORS procedures and who to contact, please visit the ORS website at http://www.umanitoba.ca/research/ors