

Current Funding Opportunities Weekly Update
(December 8, 2017)

Note: This is a weekly brief that will be distributed to Faculties and Centres at the University of Manitoba about new funding opportunities and other funding agency news items as appropriate. While we continue to work on effective means to communicate information to researchers within our University community, we welcome your comments.

As a reminder, below are the ORS deadlines for submitting research proposals and FAFs (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-COUNCIL AGENCIES:

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH (CIHR):

To get more CIHR news, please follow our CIHR University Delegate, Dr. Yvonne Myal. To subscribe to her CIHR University Delegate email list-serve, please send an email to Yvonne.Myal@umanitoba.ca.

- Existing since March of 2001, *Brain Star* is a program of the Institute of Neurosciences Mental Health and Addiction (INMHA). *Brain Star* is administered under the [Institute Community Support Grants and Awards program](#) and is designed to recognize the excellence of research done in Canada by students and trainees in all fields and disciplines covered by our Institute.

The specific **objectives** of the *Brain Star* program are to promote research careers in neuroscience, mental health and addiction in Canada and to stimulate the participation of trainees in the planning and development of INMHA activities.

Funds Available

- A maximum of fifteen awards of \$1,500 each are available each calendar year
- Winners of the *Brain Star* award are considered for the Marlene Reimer Brain Star of the Year

- A profile of award recipient's research on our Website
- In the case of equal first co-authors, the prize will be divided equally
- Top three ranked award recipients may be invited to present a summary of their research paper at an annual neuroscience conference. In the case of co-authors, the primary principal applicant will be invited to present

Eligibility criteria for all CIHR research funding programs apply. The business office of the institution of an eligible Nominated Principal Applicant generally administers CIHR funds. Please refer to the [Eligibility Requirements for CIHR Grants and Awards](#) regarding the eligibility requirements for individuals and institutions

Eligibility requirements specific to this opportunity include the following:

- Relevance to the vision, mission and research areas covered by [INMHA](#). Applications not related to the INMHA mandate will not be reviewed;
- Must have a recently published research article as a first author between January 1 and December 31. Manuscripts in press or submitted for consideration are not acceptable. Articles must have a final publication date between January 1 and December 31. An advance online publication date will not be considered;
- Must be a student or trainee at any Canadian university, teaching hospital, research centre, or other health organization (undergraduate, graduate, post-graduate, post-doctoral fellow, resident);
- Canadians or foreigners doing research in Canada are eligible;
- Canadians doing research abroad are not eligible;
- There is no need to be a CIHR grantee; and
- Only one submission per applicant will be accepted

[Link to Call](#)

Application Deadline: December 31, 2017

ORS Deadline: December 15, 2017

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SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA (SSHRC)

➤ [Connection Grants Winter 2017](#)

Connection Grants support workshops, colloquiums, conferences, forums, summer institutes or other events or outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives. These events and activities represent opportunities to exchange knowledge and to mobilize research with those participating. These grants are typically valued at \$7,000 to \$25,000 over one year, with higher amounts considered on an exceptional basis.

Application Deadline: 01 February 2018

ORS Deadline: 22 January 2018

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➤ [Insight Development Grants](#)

Insight Development Grants support research in its initial stages. The grants enable the development of new research questions, as well as experimentation with new methods, theoretical approaches and/or ideas. Within the Insight Development Grants funding opportunity, funding is available for two distinct categories of scholars: established and emerging. For the current competition, at least 50 per cent of funds will be reserved for applications from emerging scholars. Grants are valued at between \$7,000 and \$75,000 over one to two years.

Application Deadline: 02 February 2018

ORS Internal Deadline: 22 January 2018

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➤ [Partnership Grants - LOI](#)

Partnership Grants provide support for new and existing formal partnerships over four to seven years to advance research, research training and/or knowledge mobilization in the social sciences and humanities through mutual co-operation and sharing of intellectual leadership, as well as through resources as evidenced by cash and/or in-kind contributions. Partnership Grants are intended for large teams working in formal collaboration between postsecondary institutions and/or organizations of various types.

Application Deadline: 15 February 2018

ORS Internal Deadline: 29 January 2018

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➤ [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

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FELLOWSHIP FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

➤ [CIHR Health System Impact \(HSI\) Fellowship](#)

The Health System Impact (HSI) Fellowship (for doctoral trainees and post-doctoral fellows) provides highly-qualified doctoral trainees and post-doctoral fellows studying

health services and policy research (HSPR) or related fields a unique opportunity to apply their research and analytic talents to critical challenges in health care that are being addressed by health system and related organizations (e.g., public, private for-profit, not-for-profit, and Indigenous health organizations that are not universities) outside of the traditional scholarly setting, and to develop professional experience, new skills, and networks.

The HSI Fellowship provides doctoral and post-doctoral awardees, both referred to as fellows, with a paid experiential learning opportunity within health system and related organizations where they will dedicate the majority of their time towards a program of work that advances the organization's impact goals and that contributes to improved health system performance. Fellows will be exposed to how the health system and related organizations work, how decisions are made, how research and analytic skills can contribute to an organization's performance, and to the organization's role in contributing to improved health and health system performance.

This is the second launch of the HSI Fellowship program and it now contains a stream for doctoral trainees *and* a stream for post-doctoral fellows:

- **Doctoral fellows** receive a paid one-year experiential learning opportunity where they are embedded in their health system partner organization for at least 60% of their time focused on an impact-oriented project of direct relevance to their partner organization. The remaining time, if any (up to 40%), is protected to continue with their doctoral program commitments
- **Post-doctoral fellows** receive a paid two-year experiential learning opportunity where they are embedded in their health system partner organization for at least 70% of their time focused on their impact-oriented program of work. The remaining time, if any (up to 30%), is protected for academic research

Funds Available

- The total amount available for this funding opportunity from CIHR is \$2,716,000, enough to fund approximately 44 awards. An additional \$270,000 is available from MSFHR and \$550,000 is available from Mitacs. The combined total amount available is \$3,536,000. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate.
- The maximum amount per doctoral award is \$50,000 per year for up to 1 year. Of this:
 - Stipend: \$45,000
 - Professional development training and research allowance: \$5,000
- The maximum amount per post-doctoral award is \$155,000 total for 2 years. Of this:
 - Stipend: \$70,000 per year
 - Professional development training and research allowance: \$7,500 per year
- CIHR, MSFHR and Mitacs will contribute up to a maximum of 70% of the total award value (i.e., \$35,000 of the \$50,000 doctoral award, and \$108,500 of the \$155,000 post-doctoral award)

- Applicants must secure the remaining 30% of the award value in cash from the host partner organization (see Eligibility section). The host partner organization must have the financial resources to support all the applications for which they have committed to providing an experiential learning opportunity. The host partner is permitted to secure alternative sources of funding (e.g. contributions from other organization(s) interested in supporting the fellowship) **so long as the 30% contribution is confirmed at time of application.**
 - The New Brunswick Health Research Foundation (NBHRF) will support awards (as long as funds permit) for successful applicants working with host partner organizations in New Brunswick and that have an academic supervisor at a New Brunswick academic institution. The NBHRF will commit the full 30% partner contribution for doctoral trainees and post-doctoral fellows working with public and not-for-profit organizations and half of the 30% partner contribution for doctoral trainees and post-doctoral fellows working with private sector organizations.

Funds are allocated across two mutually exclusive streams as follows:

- **Stream A: HSI Award for Doctoral Trainees:**
 - Of the total amount available, \$700,000 is available to fund 20 awards relevant to [CIHR-IHSPR](#) and is allocated among regional funding pools as follows:
 - **Regional Pools*:**
 - \$210,000 is available to fund 6 awards in Western Canada (including Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, Northwest Territories, and Yukon)
 - \$350,000 is available to fund 10 awards in Central Canada (including Quebec, Ontario, and Nunavut)
 - \$140,000 is available to fund 4 awards in Eastern Canada (including Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and New Brunswick)
 - Additionally:
 - \$70,000 is available from CIHR-IAPH to fund 2 awards in any region that align with its relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$70,000 is available from CIHR-ICRH to fund 2 awards in any region that align with its relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$70,000 is available from CIHR-INMHA to fund 2 awards in any region that align with its relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$70,000 is available from CIHR-IPPH to fund 2 awards in any region that align with its relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$70,000 is available from MSFHR to co-fund awards in British Columbia that meet its relevance requirements, as outlined in relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$300,000 is available from Mitacs through its [Accelerate training program](#) to co-fund awards in any region that meet its relevance requirements, as outlined in relevant [research areas](#). The maximum amount per award is \$15,000 (with the balance co-funded by CIHR and the host partner organization).
- **Stream B: HSI Awards for post-Doctoral Fellows:**

- Of the total amount available, \$1,085,000 is available to fund 10 post-doctoral awards relevant to CIHR-IHSPR and is allocated among regional funding pools as follows:
 - Regional Pools*:
 - \$325,500 is available to fund 3 awards in Western Canada (including Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, Northwest Territories, and Yukon)
 - \$542,500 is available to fund 5 awards in Central Canada (including Ontario, Quebec and Nunavut)
 - \$217,000 is available to fund 2 awards in Eastern Canada (including Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and New Brunswick)
- Additionally:
 - \$217,000 is available from CIHR-IAPH to fund 2 awards in any region that align with its relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$217,000 is available from CIHR-III to fund 2 awards in any region that aligns with its relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$217,000 is available from CIHR-IPPH to fund 2 awards in any region that align with its relevant [research areas](#).
 - \$200,000 is available from MSFHR to co-fund awards in British Columbia that meet its [relevance requirements](#).
 - \$250,000 is available from Mitacs through its [Elevate training program](#) to co-fund awards in any region that meet its [relevance requirements](#). The maximum amount per award is \$25,000 per annum (with the balance co-funded by CIHR and the host partner organization).

***The location of the host employer partner organization defines the applicant's regional funding pool.**

Information Webinar #1: December 11, 2017

Information Webinar #2: January 15, 2018

[Link to Information about Webinars](#)

[Link to call on ResearchNet](#)

Application Deadline: April 5, 2018

ORS Deadline: March 29, 2018

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INTERNATIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

➤ **The US Department of Defense (DOD)**

Psychological Health/Traumatic Brain Injury Research Program (PH-TBI) – Applied Behaviour Analysis Clinical Study Award (ABACSA) Funding Opportunity number: W81XWH-17-PHTBI-ABACSA

Detailed descriptions of the funding opportunity, evaluation criteria, and submission requirements can be found in the Program Announcements on the Grants.gov website

(<http://www.grants.gov>), the CDMRP website (<http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/prgdefault.shtml>) and the electronic Biomedical Research Application Portal (eBRAP) (<https://eBRAP.org>).

Submission is a two-step process requiring both (1) pre-application submission through the electronic Biomedical Research Application Portal (eBRAP) (<https://eBRAP.org/>) and (2) application submission through Grants.gov (<http://www.grants.gov/>). Refer to the General Application Instructions, Section II.A. for registration and submission requirements for eBRAP and Grants.gov.

Agency Deadline extension for LOI

LOI Deadline: December 20, 2017, 5:00 pm EST

Application Deadline: January 4, 2018

Note: the internal ORS deadline due to the unusual circumstances of the LOI and submission deadline is 9:00 am January 2, 2018.

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NETWORKS OF CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE (NCE):

➤ [Canadian Frailty Network \(CFN\) – 2018 Catalyst Grant Competition – Frailty Priorities](#)

The Canadian Frailty Network (CFN)'s Catalyst Grant Program supports scalable implementation studies, feasibility studies, translational studies or quality improvement studies that investigate novel and innovative approaches, methodologies and/or technologies, including social innovations and novel approaches to policy change.

Studies must focus on older Canadians living with frailty and/or their families and caregivers and protocols must include frailty assessment of all study participants using a published and validated frailty assessment instrument appropriate for the care setting.

Total budget for this competition is \$650,000. This is in addition to the funds allocated for work conducted in the province of New Brunswick (see Program Guidelines for details). Projects with multidisciplinary, multi-institutional teams will be funded for up to 16 months and to a maximum of \$100,000. Proposals must include partners who have committed cash or eligible in-kind contributions on a 1:1 basis to CFN funding.

Intent to Apply Deadline (required): January 15, 2018

Full Application Deadline: February 26, 2018

ORS Deadline: February 19, 2018

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OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

➤ [The Foundation for Legal Research](#)

The Foundation for Legal Research provides funds for legal research falling into three broad categories, namely:

- Research and writing where the emphasis is on the statement of existing rules of law, sometimes referred to as doctrinal research;

- Research with regard to the working of the legal system; and
- Research with regard to development in fields peripheral to legal doctrine, such as criminology, psychology, psychiatry, sociology and economics and their relationship to rules of law.

The goal of the Foundation is to encourage legal writing that would be valuable to Canadian lawyers, notaries and judges in their day-to-day practice of law and into the administration of justice.

Annual grants will be awarded in 2018 in amounts of \$5,000. In addition, it is anticipated that two major grants in the amount of \$10,000 will be awarded in 2018 for research projects in the field of public law (including but not limited to constitutional law, administrative law, municipal law, criminal law, aboriginal law and public international law).

Application Deadline: 19 January 2018

ORS Deadline: 05 January 2018

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➤ **[Graham Boeckh Foundation](#)**

The Dr. Samarthji Lal Award for Mental Health Research

The Dr. Samarthji Lal award will recognize a researcher working in a Canadian institution in the area of psychiatry, with a focus on major mental disorders, who is mid-career and making an outstanding contribution to the field. The recipient will demonstrate scientific excellence and innovative “out-of-the-box” thinking that will contribute in a concrete way to bringing hope and relief to patients. One (1) award in the amount of \$25,000 for a period of one (1) year is available. In order to be considered for the award, each candidate must be nominated by a colleague or mentor who is familiar with the Nominee’s work. The recipient will be selected on a competitive basis, by an expert review panel composed of eminent scientists from across Canada and outside, and a representative of the Graham Boeckh Foundation.

Full details, including nomination requirements, can be found here:

http://grahamboeckhfoundation.org/httpgrahamboeckhfoundation-orgwp-content/uploads/2017/11/dr-sam-lal-award-description_en-2018-pdf-2/

Nomination Deadline: January 31, 2018

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➤ **[Manitoba Heritage Grants Program](#)**

The Heritage Grants Program has been developed to assist Manitobans in identifying, protecting and interpreting the province's human and natural heritage. Researchers can apply to the Heritage Grants Program for up to 50% of the total project expenses.

Application Deadline: 31 January 2018

ORS Deadline: 16 January 2018

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➤ [CIFAR Azrieli Global Scholars Program](#)

The CIFAR Azrieli Global Scholars program provides funding and support to help outstanding scholars build their network and develop essential skills to become the next generation of research leaders. Researchers within five years of their first academic appointment from anywhere in the world are eligible to apply.

In 2018, the eligible programs are:

- Azrieli Program in Brain, Mind & Consciousness
- Bio-inspired Solar Energy
- Gravity & the Extreme Universe
- Humans & the Microbiome
- Molecular Architecture of Life

Application Deadline: 22 February 2018

ORS Deadline: 08 February 2018

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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>