TRI AGENCIES

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)

NSERC Alliance Grants
Alliance grants encourage university researchers to collaborate with partner organizations, which can be from the private, public or not-for-profit sectors. These grants support research projects that will generate new knowledge and accelerate the application of research results to create benefits for Canada. There is no deadline, applications may be submitted at any time throughout the year.

Option 1:
- Value: $20,000/yr (minimum annual request, not an average) to $1 million/yr
- No limit on number of applications per year for applicant or partner
- Cash match: 1:1 (50%) or 2:1 (67%)

Option 2:
- Value: $30,000/yr (minimum; not an average) to $100,000/yr
- Limit of one (1) application within a 12-month period (as Principal Investigator or as Co-Applicant); two within a 12-month period for partner organizations
- Cash match: 90% or 100% – This option does not require matching funds if your partners are exclusively not-for-profit or public organizations.

Because of its additional considerations, please contact Andrea.Craig@umanitoba.ca or your Research Facilitator at an early stage before applying to this program Option.

Internal Funding Opportunities

Centre on Aging
In 2016, the University of Manitoba (UM) was the first University in Canada to endorse the principles of an Age-friendly University (AFU), as developed by Dublin City University, and hence joined a global network of age-friendly universities. AFU principles are wide-ranging and include elements related to older students, older people in the community having access to cultural and wellness activities and programming on campus, intergenerational opportunities, educating about the longevity dividend, and interacting with community organizations. Since 2016, several AFU initiatives have occurred and an AFU Committee has been formed. For more information on AFU at UM and the principles of an AFU, see the AFU Hub.
At this time, the Centre on Aging invites applications for new Age-friendly University (AFU) projects (July 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022) from full-time UM faculty and staff in academic and administrative units. The purpose of providing grants through this program is to enhance the age-friendliness of the UM. Grants of up to $15,000 are available for several projects. The application deadline is June 4, 2021 at 4:00pm.

Note: A FAAF is not required at the time of application submission but will be requested if awarded.

For more information on this funding opportunity and how to apply, see the Centre on Aging website: https://umanitoba.ca/centre-on-aging/age-friendly-university/age-friendly-university-initiatives-fund.

Faculty of Graduate Studies - GETS (Graduate Enhancement of Tri-Agency Stipends) Program. If you are a recipient of Tri-Agency Funding you may be eligible for funding from the GETS Program. Guidelines can be found here. Application form can be found here. Questions, please contact GETS@umanitoba.ca.

Canadian Funding Opportunities

**Canadian Cancer Society (CCS)/CIHR-ICR – Initiative In Primary Cancer Prevention**

Funding available up to $200,000 for one (1) year. This opportunity involves a multi-phase process. Applications must be submitted through the CCS portal eGRAMS. For more information click here and the Abstract registration guide can be found here.

**Abstract Registration Deadline:** June 23, 2021
**Application Deadline:** September 10, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
**ORS Deadline:** September 2, 2021, 4:30 pm
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**Terry Fox Research Institute – Terry Fox New Investigator Award**

Funding available of up to $150,000 per year to a maximum of $450,000 for three (3) years to investigators within the first five years of a first faculty-level appointment in Canada. Click here for the RFP and here more information including guidelines and templates.

**Registration of Intent Deadline:** June 25, 2021, 5:00 pm Pacific Time
**Application Deadline:** September 10, 2021, 5:00 pm Pacific Time
**ORS Deadline:** September 2, 2021, 4:30 pm
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca
International Funding Opportunities

**Pfizer – Quality Improvement Grant RFP - Antibiotic Stewardship in Pediatrics**
Funding up to $100,000 USD available. Click [here](#) for more information including application form and guidelines. Applications must be submitted online [here](#).

**Application Deadline:** July 8, 2021, 11:59 pm EST  
**ORS Deadline:** June 30, 2021, 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

**US Department of Defense (DoD) – Bone Marrow Failure Research Program (BMFRP)**

**BMFRP Idea Development Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $450,000 in direct costs over three (3) years is available. Click [here](#) for application instructions. A pre-Application is required. No clinical trials allowed. Applications must be submitted through [eBRAP](#).

**Pre-Application Deadline:** July 9, 2021, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline (Upon invitation):** October 12, 2021, 11:59 pm EST  
**ORS Deadline:** September 28, 2021, 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

**BMFRP Investigator-Initiated Research Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $600,000 US in direct costs (Level 1) over three (3) years or $800,000 (Level 2: Investigational New Drug (IND)-enabling efforts) over four (4) years is available. Click [here](#) for application instructions. Clinical trials not allowed. Preliminary data are required. A Pre-Application is required and must be submitted through [eBRAP](#).

**Pre-Application Deadline:** July 9, 2021, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline (Upon invitation):** October 12, 2021, 11:59 pm EST  
**ORS Deadline:** September 28, 2021, 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

**Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Research Program (DMDRP) - DMDRP Idea Development Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $350,000 in direct costs over two (2) years is available. Click [here](#) for application instructions. A pre-Application is required. No clinical trials allowed. Applications must be submitted through [eBRAP](#).

**Pre-Application Deadline:** August 11, 2021, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline (Upon invitation):** December 11, 2021, 11:59 pm EST  
**ORS Deadline:** November 29, 2021, 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)
**DMDRP Translational Research Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $1,300,000 in direct costs over three (3) years is available. Click here for application instructions. A pre-Application is required. Clinical trials allowed. Applications must be submitted through eBRAP.
**Pre-Application Deadline:** August 11, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
**Application Deadline (Upon invitation):** December 1, 2021, 11:59 pm EST
**ORS Deadline:** November 17, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**Pancreatic Cancer Research Program (PCARP) - PCARP Idea Development Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $500,000 USD in direct costs for the Established PI Option or $650,000 for the Early-Career Investigator Partnering Option over three (3) years is available. Click here for application instructions. A pre-Application is required. No clinical trials allowed. Applications must be submitted through eBRAP.
**Pre-Application Deadline:** July 1, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
**Application Deadline (Upon invitation):** October 7, 2021, 11:59 pm EST
**ORS Deadline:** September 23, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**PCARP Translational Research Partnership Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $750,000 in direct costs over three (3) years is available. Click here for application instructions. A pre-Application is required. Applications must be submitted through eBRAP.
**Pre-Application Deadline:** July 1, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
**Application Deadline (Upon invitation):** October 7, 2021, 11:59 pm EST
**ORS Deadline:** September 23, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

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**Research Administration System (RAS) Training Materials for Phase I**
We are pleased to announce that all Research Administration System (RAS) Training Materials for Phase I – Human Ethics Fort Garry are now available in UM Learn. The remaining stages will follow later throughout the year (Animal Care, Grants & Contracts, Human Ethics – Bannatyne). You may have heard about developments regarding the RAS through Faculty or previous UM Today articles. You can learn more about the RAS on the project webpage.
How to Access Training Information:
To access the information, please login to UM Learn and select the Self Registration tab. This will bring you to the Self Registering Course Offerings, please select Research Administration System from the list and click Register. Once you have registered, you will be able to access all course material. For additional assistance with Self Registration click here.

Welcome Sessions are scheduled for May 31st - June 4th. This 1 hour session will cover Logging in, Profile Set-up, System Navigation and Basic System Overview. If you haven’t had a chance to sign up for this session or any of the following sessions you can do so here.

During the Welcome Session, attendees will be uploading their CORE/PHIA certificates to their RAS Profiles so please have them available for upload at that time. The RAS UM Learn course includes documents outlining how to download your CORE/PHIA certificates.

If you have any questions about the training please contact: RAS_Support@umanitoba.ca

- **Grant applications submitted to NSERC’s Research Partnerships funding opportunities:** The Government of Canada recently released a Research Security Policy Statement, which underlines that Canada’s world-class research, and its open and collaborative research environment, are increasingly targeted by espionage and foreign interference activities. To tackle this situation, the Government of Canada has asked the members of the Government of Canada–Universities Working Group to develop specific risk guidelines to integrate national security considerations into the evaluation and funding of research partnerships, with the aim to enable researchers, research institutions and government funders to undertake consistent, risk-targeted due diligence of potential risks to research security.

NSERC is assessing the implications of the new due diligence process on the delivery of its Research Partnerships funding opportunities. As a result, delays are affecting the intake and review of some Research Partnerships grant applications. Your understanding and patience are greatly appreciated.

Questions, contact (RPP@NSERC-CRSNG.GC.CA).

- CIHR video series called Ask a Scientist. In the first video, Dr. Strong answers a question that has been in the media in recent months and has persisted online in some social media circles: Was the COVID-19 vaccine research rushed? This 7-minute video is now available online.

- **US Department of Defense Application Resources – Informational Webinars**
  Are you considering applying for a US DoD research grant? The Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP) presents a webinar series on types of funding opportunities offered and strategies to increase the success of applications submitted to different CDMRP programs. Click here to view available webinars.

- **NIH UPDATES**
  Equity, Diversion and Inclusion in Peer Review – read about the upcoming changes here.
Read about upcoming changes to the NIH biosketch effective May 25, 2021 here.

- **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) plans now required by many funding agencies.**
  - How will you recruit a diverse team and create an inclusive culture in your lab/team?
  - Learn about existing barriers in your field and any EDI priorities, targets and programs in your unit
  - Get involved in initiatives promoting representation of marginalized groups
  - Take training opportunities and offer them to your research group
  - Have plans for recruitment (advertising/interviewing) that considers diversity broadly (beyond racialization and sex/gender)

- **Best Practices in EDI resources:**

- The Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada announced the launch of the *Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy* (the *Tri-Agency RDM Policy*). [Frequently Asked Questions about the policy and associated requirements for institutions and researchers are now available online](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/EDI-EDI/Action-Plan_Plan-dAction_eng.asp), along with links to resources. Andrea.Szwajcer@umanitoba.ca, Research Services Librarian, is available to make presentations to units to advise Faculty members, graduate students, PDFs, RAs, of this policy. If you have any questions, please contact the agencies via the e-mail addresses noted below. You are also invited to monitor agency communications to learn more about upcoming webinars on the policy and its implementation.

  - CIHR: ResearchData-Donneesderecherche@cihr-irsc.gc.ca
  - NSERC: ResearchData-Donneesderecherche@nserc-crsng.gc.ca
  - SSHRC: ResearchData-Donneesderecherche@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca

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**The lift your spirit on Monday box**

*When I told my 3 year old we couldn’t go out again she asked if it was because of the corona pirates…. I said yes. 😊*