



Note: Applications must be received by the Office of Research and Innovation a minimum of 5 business days in advance of the funding agency deadline unless otherwise stated. Please allow enough time for Chair and Dean approval in ROMEO.

Natural Sciences and Engineering Grants

- Forestry Innovation Investment (FII) Wood First Program** promotes and supports innovation in manufacturing, building design and construction to advance wood use in the province. The program achieves its goals by positioning wood as a preferred building material and B.C. as a global leader in wood innovation.
Application deadline: January 15, 2025
- National Science Foundation-NSERC Designing Materials to Revolutionize and Engineer our Future (DMREF)** offers a unique opportunity for Canadian academic researchers to team up with their US colleagues to build interdisciplinary teams of researchers working synergistically to build the fundamental knowledge base needed to advance the design and development of materials.
Application deadline: February 4, 2025

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Social Sciences and Humanities Grants

- SSHRC Destination Horizon Grants** support researchers affiliated with eligible Canadian postsecondary institutions to build capacity, foster existing partnerships, and further develop networks and/or consortia with European Union and other "associated countries" researchers, with the ultimate goal of applying to Horizon Europe—Pillar II calls for proposals. There is a requirement for matching funding from the host institution and an institutional quota of three applications per deadline. Applications must be submitted by the internal deadline for consideration in the internal competition.
Internal submission deadline: January 13, 2025 Full application deadline: January 22, 2025
- SSHRC Connection Grants** support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives, which represent opportunities to exchange knowledge and to engage with participants on research issues of value to them.
Application deadline: February 1, 2025
- SSHRC Insight Development Grants** support research in the social sciences and humanities in its initial stages. These grants enable the development of new research questions, as well as experimentation with new methods, theoretical approaches and/or ideas.
Application deadline: February 2, 2025
- SSHRC Partnership Grants—Stage 1** 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 and are intended for large teams of postsecondary institutions and/or organizations of various types that work in formal collaboration.
Application deadline: February 10, 2025
- SSHRC 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.
Application deadline: March 15, 2025

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Health Sciences Grants

- CIHR Travel Awards—Institute Community Support** provide funding for students, postdoctoral fellows, early career researchers and knowledge users to present their own research at national and international meetings, workshops, and/or conferences.
Application deadline: January 7, 2025
- Michael Smith Health Research BC Scholar Program** supports early-career health researchers who are building leading-edge health research programs, training the next generation of scientists and expanding their potential to make significant contributions to their field.
Full application deadline: January 23, 2025 *Note that mandatory registration was previously required
- Michael Smith Health Research BC Health Professional-Investigator** supports health professionals who are actively involved in patient care to build their health research programs, train the next generation of scientists, and make significant contributions to their field.
Full application deadline: January 23, 2025 *Note that mandatory registration was previously required
- CIHR Team Grant: Healthy Youth** aims to support research teams that bring evidence to at least two of the six youth-identified priorities of Canada's Youth Policy to inform meaningful change that improves youth health and well-being.
Full application deadline: February 4, 2024 *Note that mandatory registration was previously required
- Michael Smith Health Research BC Trainee Award** provides salary support for talented post-doctoral or health professional researchers and develops their health research careers.
Full application deadline: February 13, 2024 *Note that a mandatory Letter of Intent was previously required
- CIHR Institute for Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis (IHMA) Inclusive Research Excellence Prizes** aim to recognize exemplary completed work and build capacity in the 6 cross-cutting research pools of a healthy research ecosystem in keeping with both the CIHR Strategic Plan 2021-31 and the CIHR-IMHA Strategic Plan 2021-26.
Full application deadline: February 19, 2025
- Brain Canada Future Leaders in Canadian Brain Research Program** encourages innovative, unorthodox, and exploratory research from early-career investigators that may be in the early and conceptual stages of project development but has potential for significant impact on our understanding of the brain.
Full application deadline: March 14, 2025 *Note that a mandatory Letter of Intent was previously required

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Other Grants and Scholarships

- Arctic and Northern Challenge program** aims to address pressing issues impacting the quality of life of Northern peoples and is committed to prioritizing Northern-led research projects that have a strong focus on Northern capacity building.
Letter of Intent deadline (mandatory): January 17, 2025 Full application deadline: May 31, 2025
- SSHRC/CIHR/MSHRBC Research on Research Joint Initiative** aims to enhance national capacity for research on research, also known as metaresearch, and bring Canadian expertise and perspectives into the international dialogue on improving research funding practices.
Application deadline: February 20, 2025

Contact: See funding description

Internal Grants

- UNBC Green Grants** are accepted from any member of the UNBC community, including students, staff, faculty and campus based organizations, and provide one-time seed funding for research, education and civic engagement projects that promote sustainability at UNBC.
Application deadlines: twice per year in February and October
- UNBC Green Travel Grants** are accepted from any member of the UNBC community, including students, staff, and faculty, and provide financial support for travel and registration fees for conferences, training sessions, etc. that add to the sustainability knowledge and skills base at UNBC, or communicate the UNBC experience to a broader audience.
Application deadline: Continuous intake
- Research Strategic Initiatives Grants (RSIG)** welcome requests from all UNBC faculty, research organizations, graduate and undergraduate student groups engaged in research. Funds are directed toward research activities for which other sources of funding are not available.
There are four application deadlines per year: January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1
- Graduate Student Travel Award** provides financial support for graduate students participating in knowledge dissemination activities, such as workshops, seminars, scholarly conferences, community engagement events, and other knowledge transfer activities.
There are four application deadlines per year: January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1

Contact: See funding description

A Look Ahead / Continuous Intake Grants

- BC Real Estate Foundation Partnering Fund** Deadline: April 15, 2025
- Health Research BC and Mitacs Health-System Focused Funding** LOI deadline: June 30, 2025
- Horizon Europe Funding Calls** Deadlines vary, see link for details
- Environment and Climate Change Canada Funding Programs** Deadlines vary, see link for details
- Mitacs Accelerate** (Continuous Intake)
- Mitacs Globalink Research Award** (Continuous Intake)
- NSERC Alliance Advantage Grants** (Continuous Intake)
- NSERC Alliance Society Grants** (Continuous Intake)
- NSERC Alliance International Grants** (Continuous Intake)
- Mitacs Elevate Postdoctoral Fellowship** (Continuous Intake)
- SERNbc Seed Grants** (Continuous Intake)
- Project Learning Tree—Green Jobs** (Continuous Intake)
- Rio Tinto Aluminum Canada Fund** (Continuous Intake)
- Pacific Salmon Foundation—Partnered Initiatives** (Continuous Intake)
- Science Horizons Youth Internship Program** (Continuous Intake)
- Lotte & John Hecht Memorial Foundation—Innovative Medical Research & Practices** (Continuous Intake)
- FHSS Scholarly Book Awards** (Continuous Intake)

Workshops and Webinars

- Arctic and Northern Challenge Program webinar**
January 8, 2024; 10:00 am–11:00 am PT [Link to register](#)
- Insights from behind the scenes at SSHRC and the CRC: Reflections on Four Years Working for the Tri-Council**
 This talk is part of the **FISSSH Research Committee's Brown Bag Lunch series**, organized in collaboration with the Office of Research and Innovation, and is open to researchers from all faculties and all disciplines.
January 9, 2024; 11:30 am–1:00 pm; CJMH-1079 (Senate Chambers)



What is the SSHRC Storytellers Challenge?

The **SSHRC Storytellers Challenge** is a challenge for postsecondary students at Canadian institutions to describe *how social sciences and humanities research is affecting our lives, our world and our future for the better*, using either a video or audio clip of up to three minutes or a text or infographic of up to 300 words.

The challenge is open to Canadian residents 19 years of age or older who are enrolled as students at a Canadian postsecondary institution. Entries should describe original SSHRC-funded research that is being carried out at the institution in which the student is enrolled at the time of submission.

The Top 20 finalists across Canada will each receive a cash prize of \$3,000. The finalists then compete in-person at the Storytellers Showcase in Fredericton, New Brunswick for a chance to win an additional \$1,000 as a Final 5 winner. Note that graduate student researchers at UNBC can apply for funding to support travel costs through the **Graduate Student Travel Award**.

The deadline for submission of entries is Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 2:00 pm PT.

For more information and the full rules and regulations of the Challenge, see the **Storytellers Challenge website**.

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