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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

- NSERC Alliance Advantage Grants encourage university researchers to collaborate with partner organizations, which can be from the private, public or not-for-profit sectors. Alliance Advantage grants (formerly Alliance cost-sharing option 1) are for partner-driven projects. They fund projects focused on the partners' goals, with at least one partner sharing in the costs of research.

 Application deadline: Continuous Intake
- NSERC Alliance Society Grants encourage university researchers to collaborate with partner organizations, which can be from the private, public or not-for-profit sectors. Alliance Society grants (formerly Alliance cost-sharing option 2) fund projects with societal impact as the main driver.

 Application deadline: Continuous Intake
- <u>NSERC Alliance International Grants</u> provide support for researchers in Canada to work with leading international researchers from the academic sector, and to establish and grow international research collaborations and projects that have a high potential for impact in NSE disciplines.

Application deadline: Continuous Intake

Contact: Jacqueline Dockray (jacqueline.dockray@unbc.ca)

Social Sciences and Humanities Grants

• SSHRC Connection Grants (May deadline) support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives.

Application deadline: May 1, 2024

• <u>SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants (usual June deadline)</u> 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. *Please note that **the usual June 15 deadline for this funding opportunity has been moved forward to May 22** for 2024 due to necessary IT maintenance on the SSHRC online system.

Application deadline: May 22, 2024

SSHRC Connection Grants (usual August deadline) support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives. *Please note that the usual August 1 deadline for this funding opportunity has been moved forward to June 20 for 2024 due to necessary IT maintenance on the SSHRC online system.

Application deadline: June 20, 2024

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Health Sciences Grants

- Michael Smith Health Research BC Convening & Collaborating (C²) Program promotes knowledge exchange and meaningful collaboration by supporting researchers, trainees and research users in co-developing research that can have direct impacts on people, including patients, health practitioners and policy makers.
 Application deadline: May 13, 2024
- Michael Smith Health Research BC Reach Program promotes knowledge translation (KT) activities by supporting researchers and research users* in disseminating research evidence through codeveloping events, activities and/or tools to "extend the reach" of their work.
 Application deadline: May 13, 2024
- Michael Smith Health Research BC-Mitacs industry-based program supports graduate students and postdoctoral fellows across British Columbia to gain experience working within BC's life

Letter of intent deadline (mandatory): Continuous intake until December 1, 2024 Full application deadline: December 20, 2024

Contact: Crystal Carpenter (crystal.carpenter@unbc.ca)

Other Grants and Scholarships

• Natural Resources Canada Build and Mobilize Foundational Wildland Fire Knowledge Program aims to address gaps in foundational knowledge by developing and evaluating wildland fire risk assessment and risk mitigation strategies and technologies that support Indigenous peoples, local and provincial/territorial governments and fire management agencies to reduce wildfire risk in the face of a changing climate.

Application deadline: May 14, 2024

• NFRF 2024 NordForsk-led International Joint Initiative on Sustainable Development of the Arctic represents a collaboration among research funders from Canada, Denmark, the Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and the United States. Through interdisciplinary research projects that include Indigenous perspectives, this call will leverage expertise across Arctic countries to explore approaches to sustainable development in the Arctic.

Registration deadline (mandatory): May 30, 2024 Full application deadline: Fall 2024

- Mitacs Globalink Research Internship pairs faculty with undergraduate students from eligible international academic institutions for full-time internships for a term of 12 weeks.
 Deadline for faculty applications: June 4, 2024
- National Science Foundation Global Centres: Bioeconomy aims to encourage and support international, interdisciplinary collaborative research centres that will develop use-inspired research to address global challenges through the bioeconomy. Applicants to this initiative must collaborate with at least one US-based researcher who meets the NSF eligibility requirements.

 Application deadline: June 11, 2024
- Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships are Canada's most prestigious and highest valued award for postdoctoral researchers. Valued at \$70,000 per year for 2 years, the competition is open to both Canadian and international researchers who have recently completed a PhD, PhD-equivalent, or health professional degree.
 Internal Expression of Interest deadline (mandatory): July 8, 2024
 Full application deadline: by invitation only

Contact: See funding description

Internal Grants

- 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
- Collaboration for Health Research in Northern BC Project Grants aim to enable 3 or more collaborators from UNBC, Northern Health, and the Provincial Health Services Authority to work in partnership and initiate new research projects that focus on improving (i) the quality of health services and (ii) the health of the population in northern BC.

 Application deadline: May 15, 2024

Contact: See funding description

A Look Ahead / Continuous Intake Grants

- New Frontiers in Research Fund Transformation Full application deadline (by invitation only): September 5, 2024
- SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowships Deadline: September 12, 2024
- <u>Fulbright Canada Postdoctoral Research Award in Northern Issues</u>
 Deadline: September 16, 2024
- NSERC Collaborative Research and Training Experience (CREATE) Full application deadline (by invitation only): September 22, 2024
- Horizon Europe Funding Calls Deadlines vary, see link for details
- <u>Environment and Climate Change Canada Funding Programs</u> Deadlines vary, see link for details
- <u>Project Learning Tree—Green Jobs</u> (Continuous Intake)
- <u>Mitacs Elevate Postdoctoral Fellowship</u> (Continuous Intake)

Rio Tinto Aluminum Canada Fund (Continuous Intake)

- <u>Science Horizons Youth Internship Program</u> (Continuous Intake)
- <u>Mitacs Accelerate</u> (Continuous Intake)
- Mitacs Globalink Research Award (Continuous Intake)

 SERNIng Seed Create (Continuous Intake)
- SERNbc Seed Grants (Continuous Intake)
- Pacific Salmon Foundation—Partnered Initiatives (Continuous Intake)
- <u>FHSS Awards to Scholarly Publications Program</u> (Continuous Intake)
 <u>Lotte & John Hecht Memorial Foundation—Innovative Medical Research & Practices</u>
- (Continuous Intake)



What do researchers need to know about the new research security guidelines from the Government of Canada?

The Government of Canada has recently released a new <u>Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern (STRAC Policy)</u>.

This policy states that federal grant applications that involve research aiming to <u>advance</u> a listed <u>Sensitive Technology Research Area</u> will not be funded if any member of the research team is affiliated with, or is in receipt of funding or in-kind support, from a <u>Named Research Organization</u> that poses a risk to Canada's national security.

The policy comes into effect ${\bf May 1}$, ${\bf 2024}$, and will apply to applications submitted to the federal granting agencies and the Canada Foundation for Innovation.

To comply with the policy, researchers must indicate in their grant applications whether their research will aim to advance a Sensitive Technology Research Area, and if it will, all researchers with named roles in the application must complete and submit Attestation Forms as part of the application process.

Information about the policy can be found at the following links:

Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern (STRAC Policy)

<u>Tri-agency guidance on the Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern (STRAC Policy)</u>

Note that this policy does <u>not</u> replace the existing <u>National Security Guidelines for</u> <u>Research Partnerships</u> and the current tri-agency Risk Assessment Forms for partnered research will remain in use.

More information on research security and links to resources can be found on the Office of Research and Innovation's $\underline{\text{Research Security Resources}}$ webpage.

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