

UNBC BRIDGE GRANT GUIDELINES

OBJECTIVE

The UNBC Bridge Grant enables UNBC researchers who are not currently receiving Tri-Council operating funds to continue research and strengthen applications to Tri-Council operating funds programs and act as a “bridge” between application cycles for Tri-Council operating fund programs.

1. CRITERIA FOR JUDGING OF APPLICATIONS

- 1.1 Clearly identified and achievable milestones and outcomes which address Tri-Council reviewers’ comments.
- 1.2 Likelihood of the Bridge Grant improving application for next Tri-Council funding application cycle.
- 1.3 Potential of Researcher (Track record) and research project.

2. ELIGIBILITY/PRIORITY

- 2.1 Faculty members in tenured, tenure track or with regular term appointments as designated in article 14.20 of the Faculty Association Agreement and Senior Lab Instructors are eligible to apply, who are not currently funded by a Tri-Council operating fund programs. A member’s term must not end before the Bridge Grant ends.

Note: *Senior Lab Instructors must be eligible to apply to Tri-Council operating funds programs (i.e. hold Adjunct Faculty status). Post-doctoral fellows may be eligible to apply to the UNBC Bridge Grant. Please contact Mark Barnes at mark.barnes@unbc.ca in the Office of Research if you have any questions.*

- 2.2 Applicants must have previously applied, and are planning to re-apply to a Tri-Council operating funds program. The eligible programs are: NSERC Discovery Grants Program; SSHRC Insight Development Grant Program and SSHRC Insight Grant Program; CIHR Project Grant Program and CIHR Foundation Grant Program.
- 2.3 Faculty who to apply to the Bridge Grant **MUST** submit their Tri-Council reviewers feedback on their most recent Tri-Council grant application (eligible Tri-Council grant programs are listed in Section 2.2).

3.0 BRIDGE GRANT EXPECTATIONS

- 3.1 Only one Bridge Grant per project is permitted; only one Bridge Grant per (primary) applicant is permitted.
- 3.2 The duration of the Bridge Grant will be 12 months. Under exceptional circumstances this period may be extended an additional 6 months, with permission from the Vice-President Research. Under no circumstances shall the project extend past the 18 month time limit.
- 3.3 The maximum amount for this award will be \$20,000. If budget exceeds this amount, please explain from what source the difference will be funded.
- 3.4 A final summary report is due to the Office of Research two months after the award has terminated. This short report (2 pages maximum) should outline how the funds contributed to the researcher’s external grant proposal that they plan to re-submit to the Tri-Council agency. Failure to provide the report may result in denial of future funding.
- 3.5 One annual competition - deadline September 1.

Note: *For 2016, applications are due December 2nd, 2016 at 4:30PM PST.*