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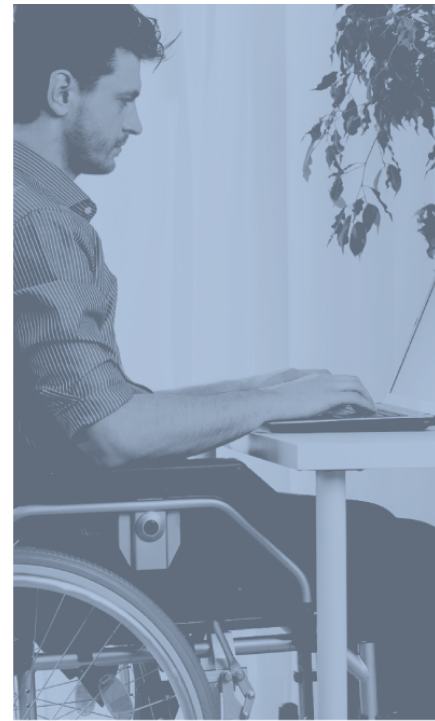
Insight Grants
Funding Opportunity

SEPTEMBER 2019

Presentation Outline

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OVERVIEW

Insight Grants :   Stream A ($7,000-$100,000) &
Stream B ($100,001-$400,000)

Multiple Applications Rule

The Initiative for Digital Citizen Research

Insight Grants – Objectives & Features

APPLICANT | Principal Investigator
Co-applicants and/or Collaborators

DURATION | 2 - 5 years

VALUE | $7,000 - $100,000 (Stream A)
$100,001 - $400,000 (Stream B)

FUNDING | No separate envelope for Emerging Scholars

October 15, 2019 (8 p.m. eastern)
Formal Application (check internal deadlines)

Multiple Applications

Normally, researchers may not apply, as an applicant, for an Insight Grant and an Insight Development Grant within the same calendar year.

- In 2017, SSHRC approved an exception to this regulation to allow researchers who applied **unsuccessfully** for an Insight Development Grant in February 2019 to apply for an Insight Grant in October. SSHRC will extend this exception to the multiple applications regulations for the foreseeable future. Therefore, researchers who applied for an Insight Development Grant in February 2019 and **were not successful** may apply for an Insight Grant in October 2019.

Multiple Applications

Grant Retention:
- No limit to the number of applications on which a researcher may be listed as a co-applicant or collaborator.

Re-application:
- If you have a grant, you may re-apply to the same funding opportunity in its final year (or in the extension year).

Please refer to SSHRC's Regulations Regarding Multiple Applications for more information.

JOINT INITIATIVES

o **The Initiative for Digital Citizen Research**

o **Department of National Defence Research Initiative**

o **Sport Participation Research Initiative**

o **Societal Implications of Disruptive Innovation in Genomics**

o **MITACS Accelerate Grants**

o **Canadian Foundation for Innovation (CFI)**

Joint Initiative for Digital Citizen Research

- New joint initiative between SSHRC and Canadian Heritage, part of Canadian Heritage's Digital Citizen Research Program

- Aims to support social sciences and humanities research within the Program

- Funds research related to online disinformation and other online harms as well as their impact in the Canadian context.

Joint Initiative in Digital Citizen Research

- **Grants**: min $7,000 – max $250,000 over 3 years (max $100,000/year)

- **Supplements**: up to $20,000 to successful Insight Grant recipients, in addition to the value of grant

- How to apply.

Joint Initiative for Digital Citizen Research - Application Process

- Applications are adjudicated by SSHRC's merit review committees

- Applications ranked above the fifth and sixth sextiles are referred to Canadian Heritage for a relevance review to assess whether the research adequately addresses the objectives and specific research areas of the Initiative

- For more information, consult: https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/online-disinformation/joint-initiative-digital-citizen-research/insight-grants.html

Department of National Defence Research Initiative

- SSHRC and Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC), an agency of the Department of National Defence

- Supports social science and humanities research aligned with areas of interest to the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) and DND

- Fosters effective, evidence-based strategies, policies and programs in research areas identified by DRDC

- $20,000 per year for 3 years ($60,000 total) will be awarded to successful Insight Grant recipients

DND Research Areas

1. Personnel – Recruitment & Selection

- **Selection Tests**

2. Readiness – Training & Development

- **Emerging learning & training modalities**

3. Operational Effectiveness

- Individual, social & cultural dimensions of radicalization
- Artificial Intelligence in Defence & Security: Ethical, legal & regulatory implications
- Human Dimensions of Cybersecurity
- Shaping Attitudes, Opinions & Behavior
- Gender Perspectives on Operations, Defence & Security

4. Social Processes in the Workplace

- Diversity, Gender & Armed Forces
- Developing Trust in Diverse Organizational Teams & In Cross-Cultural Settings
- Transition to civilian life

Examples of funded DNDRI projects

- *La perception des Autochtones des Forces canadiennes comme élément explicatif de leur faible représentation*

- *Trust in Human and Automated Teammates*

- *DAESH Discourse of Terror, Recruitment of Supporters, and Adaptive Use of Emoji's on Twitter*

- *The Politics of Foreign Military Training: Military Effectiveness, Human Rights and Governance*

For more information, consult: http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/dnd-eng.aspx

Sport Participation Research Initiative

- Joint Initiative with Sport Canada

- Supports research on matters related to enhancing participation in sport

- How to apply

- Application adjudicated by SSHRC peer review committees

- If application is ranked above the fifth and sixth sextiles, it is referred to Sport Canada

Sport Participation Research Initiative

- **Grants**: $7,000 - $250,000 over 3 years (max $100,000/year)

- **Supplements**: up to $20,000 to successful Insight Grant recipients, in addition to the value of grant. Funds conference participation at annual Sport Canada Research Initiative Conference

SPRI Target Areas

SPRI Target Area-Sport Participation

- Sport Canada allocating an additional $75,000 in annual SPRI funding to support applied research on the sport participation of Indigenous children and youth.

- Sport Canada allocating an additional $75,000 in annual SPRI funding to support applied research on the sport participation of women and girls.

Examples of SPRI funded projects

- *Measuring youth experience in sport*

- *Athlete development in parasport: the Canadian paralympian project*

- *The acculturation of youth refugees through community sport programming*

- *Présence des femmes et égalité dans les organisations sportives au Canada : portrait, pratiques et modèle d'intervention*

- *Multicultural common spaces: a study of Canadian hockey arenas and social integration*

- *Redonner à la communauté : l'engagement communautaire des jeunes en tant que leaders dans des initiatives sportives*

For more information, consult:
http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/sport_can-eng.aspx

Societal Implications of Genomics Research

↘ Joint Initiative with Genome Canada

↘ Support social sciences and humanities research and related activities pertaining to research in the field of genomics

↘ Applications received will be evaluated on the basis of all other proposals received and Genome Canada will determine which applications are relevant.

↘ More information available on Genome Canada website.

- Applicants working with Canadian businesses and/or eligible not-for-profit organizations may be eligible for internship co-funding, through the Mitacs Accelerate program, for graduate students and/or postdoctoral researchers involved in their project.

HOW IT WORKS

1. The match

A professor, partner organization, and student or postdoc develop a research project

2. The proposal

Applicants submit a proposal via a Mitacs representative

3. The project

Internships start at four months and can scale up as much as you need.

Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI)

- Funding of Infrastructure and research support via CFI's John R. Evans Leaders Fund.

- Eligible institutions wishing to apply to the John R. Evans Leaders Fund for infrastructure support associated with a SSHRC Insight Grant must submit separate proposals to SSHRC and to the CFI.

- Institutions can submit proposals requesting up to $800,000 from the CFI, with a maximum total eligible cost of $2 million.

- Refer to the CFI website https://www.innovation.ca/awards/john-r-evans-leaders-fund for more information.
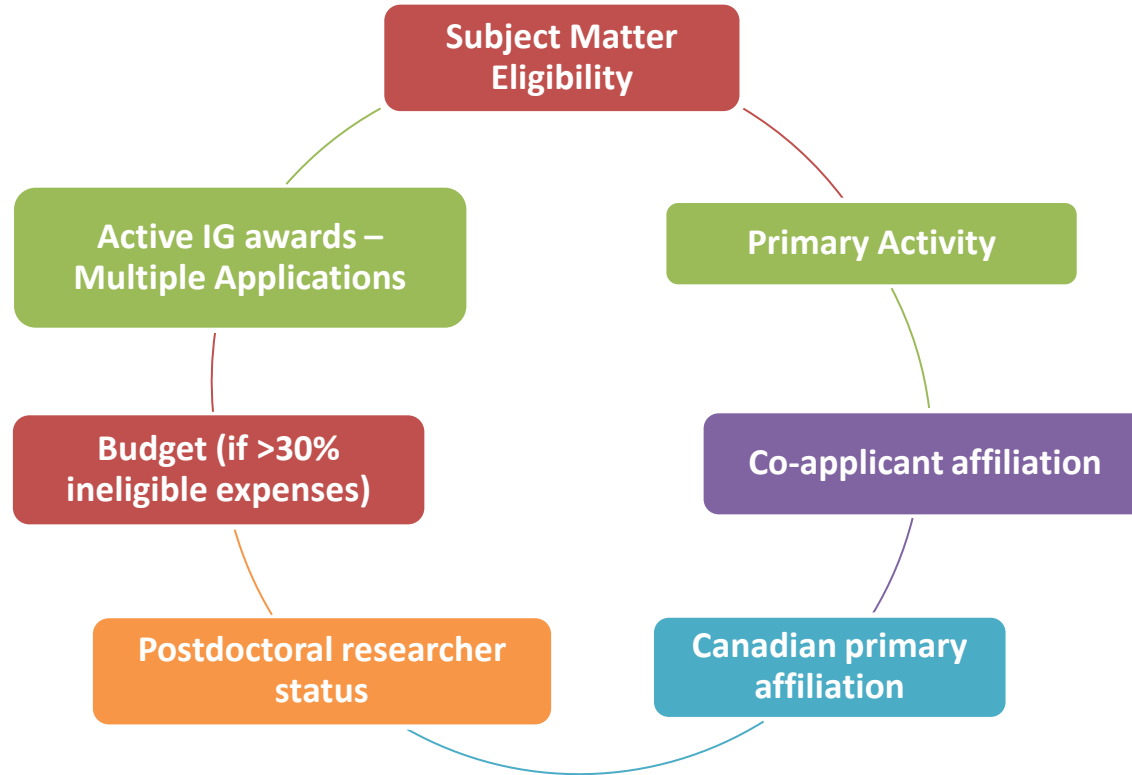
ELIGIBILITY OVERVIEW

Eligibility Verification

Subject Matter Eligibility

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Subject Matter Eligibility

↘ SSHRC does not support most health-related research, such as clinical research, research related to therapy, diagnostic tools, rehabilitation and epidemiology. Clinical education is also ineligible.

↘ For eligibility-related advice, applicants may send a summary (including the proposed objectives) to the IG inbox: insightgrants@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca.

↘ For further information, see the Subject Matter Eligibility Guidelines.

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

- Multi/Interdisciplinary

- Research-creation

- Indigenous Research

- Discipline-based/Groups of disciplines

Committee Structure

Insight Grants Committees	
01	Philosophy
02	History
03	Fine Arts, Research-Creation
04	Literature
05	Medieval, classics, religious studies
07	Economics
08	Sociology, demography and related fields
09	Geography, urban planning and related fields
10	Psychology
11	Political science and public administration
12	Education and social work
13	Anthropology and archaeology
14	Business, management, industrial relations and related fields
15	Linguistics and translation
16	Communications, media studies, gender studies, library and information science, related fields
17	Law and criminology
21	Aboriginal research
22	Inter/multidisciplinary Humanities
23	Inter/multidisciplinary Social Sciences

Inter/Multidisciplinary Applications

↘ Inter/Multidisciplinary Humanities

↘ Inter/Multidisciplinary Social Sciences

↘ Request for Inter/Multidisciplinary Evaluation (max 1 page)

↘ Relevant expertise may also be sought from larger pool of Insight Grants committee membership

Research-creation

↘ Approach to research that combines creative and academic research practices.

↘ Researchers, artist-researchers and teams of researchers & artists

↘ Committee 3: Fine Arts & Research-Creation

↘ Consult the Resource Centre for information on preparing an application involving research-creation.

INDIGENOUS RESEARCH

SSHRC is committed to supporting and promoting social sciences and humanities research by and with Indigenous Peoples, including First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples.

Indigenous Research Committee

↘ All academic fields, as well as domains of knowledge specific to FNIM cultural traditions

↘ Research involving both Indigenous and non-Indigenous perspectives

↘ Research by and with Indigenous Peoples

↘ Multidisciplinary committee composed of Indigenous and non-Indigenous members; all specialists in Indigenous research

↘ For more info insightgrants@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca

ADJUDICATION OVERVIEW

- o **Committee Membership**

- o **Adjudication Components & Process**

- o **Evaluation Criteria & Scoring**

- o **Feedback**

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

↘ Expertise drawn primarily from the academic community, as well as the public, private, and/or not-for-profit sectors, as appropriate.

↘ Number of committee members is a function of number of applications received.

↘ Representation in terms of:

• Research expertise (disciplinary or sub-disciplinary)
• university size
• geographical region
• language
• gender

Adjudication Components

↘ **External Assessors**
- 2 assessments per application, where possible
- Suggested Assessors
- Provide additional information to committee
- Committee factors in their opinions as they judge appropriate

↘ **Excluding evaluators**

↘ **Committees**
- 2 - 3 Readers

Adjudication Process

↘ **Calibration exercise**

↘ **Submission of preliminary scores by Readers**

↘ **Preliminary ranking of applications**

↘ **Flagging process for applications ranked in the bottom 35%**

↘ **Committee discussion**

↘ **Final ranking of applications**

Evaluation Criteria & Scoring

Challenge (40%): Aim and importance of the endeavour

Feasibility (20%): The plan to achieve excellence

Capability (40%): The expertise to succeed

Note	Description
5 - 6	Very good - excellent
4 – 4.9	Good – very good
3 - 3.9	Satisfactory – good
Below 3	Unsatisfactory

*No weighting assigned to sub criteria.

Budget Evaluation

Ensure proposed budgets are appropriate and well-justified

↘ Principle of minimum essential funding

↘ Budget envelope

↘ Scrutiny of budgets during meetings

Tri-Agency Open Access Policy

Peer-reviewed journal articles based on agency-funded research to be freely accessible within 12 months of publication, via:

↘ **Online repositories, or**
↘ **Open-access journals**

Open Access Costs

- Applicants should be precise and provide justification for the amount requested

- Consult journal website for up-to-date estimates of the costs associated with publishing open access

- Consult the Tri-Agency Open Access Policy On Publications :

http://www.science.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=75F21A63-1

Feedback

Applicants will receive the following information in their results packages:

- Notice of Decision

- Notice of Award (if the application was funded)

- External assessments received

- Committee Evaluation Form (if the application was discussed)

- Competition statistics

APPLICATION PREPARATION

Response to Previous Critiques

Knowledge Mobilization Plan

Description of Team / Student Training Plans

Budget & Budget Justification

Submitting Your Application

Application Preparation

Response to Previous Critiques

- Opportunity to justify a choice made with regard to research plan or explain how previous feedback was used to improve the current proposal

Summary of Proposed Research

- Important introduction; be clear, thorough, use accessible language

Detailed Description

- provide clear and precise objectives

- include a complete and up-to-date literature review

- outline theoretical / conceptual framework

- ensure methodology makes sense in terms of objectives and personnel involved

KNOWLEDGE MOBILIZATION PLAN

○ **Be creative, ambitious and provide justification**

○ **Where feasible, reach out to the community or public**

○ **See Guidelines for Effective KM**

Description of Team / Student Training Plans

↘ Demonstrate the need for the team

↘ Describe each person's role and justify their inclusion in the research

↘ A student's work must be meaningful

↘ Refer to *Guidelines for Effective Research Training*

Budget & Budget Justification

↘ Automatic failure on Feasibility if 50% or more of request insufficiently justified and/or not appropriate

↘ Option of failure if 30% or more deemed inappropriate

↘ Be reasonable and justify proposed expenditures

↘ Relate clearly to research objectives and methodology

↘ Describe other sources of funding

↘ See Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION:

Applicants

1. Complete and verify application and SSHRC CV

2. Ensure all participants have included relevant attachments

3. Submit application for institutional approval

Co-applicants

1. Create and verify SSHRC CV

2. Accept the invitation and upload Research Contributions (PDF)

Collaborators

1. Fill out a profile

2. Accept invitation

Submitting your application

- Leave enough time… remember internal deadlines
- Complete all mandatory fields
- Attach all mandatory electronic uploads to the application
- VERIFY AND PREVIEW YOUR APPLICATION**!**

- Click the "Submit" button (i.e., Submit to Research Administrator) for institutional approval
- Institutions forward applications to SSHRC
- Mandate eligibility
- **NOTE: PhD students and postdoctoral researchers may submit their applications directly to SSHRC.**

IG Competition statistics

	Oct. 2016	Oct. 2017	Oct. 2018
Number of Committees	22	23	22
Number of eligible applications	1,514	(A) 729 (B) 807	(A) 615 (B) 750
Overall success rate	40.0%	(A) 51.6% (B) 43.5%	(A) 50.7% (B) 40.9%
Requested amount	$ 294.935.519	$ (A) 61,048,078 (B) 202,231,126	$ (A) 52,048,696 (B) 188,427,889
Average requested	$ 194,630	$ (A)83,010 (B) 248,130	$ (A)84.632 (B) 251,237
Awarded amount	$ 92,786,355	$ (A) 29,303,649 (B) 72,359,391	$ (A)24,650,325 (B) 65,027,232
Average awarded	$ 153,366	$ (A)78,055 (B) 206,152	$ (A)79,148 (B) 211,815

http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/results-resultats/stats-statistiques/index-eng.aspx

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion (EDI) –Self-identification data collection

*Canada Research Coordinating Committee's mandate includes "removing barriers faced by under-represented and disadvantaged groups to ensure equitable access across the granting agencies and establish Canada as a world leader in equity, diversity and inclusion in research."

*When: all applicants, as of summer 2018

*What: data on age, gender, Indigenous identity, and status as a member of a visible minority group or person with a disability

*Why: so that we can report back to Canadians on the progress of our programs in fostering EDI and enable us to design new measures to further that progress

Questions: equity-equite@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca

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