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Funding & Award Opportunities

Call for Proposals: 2024-25 Research and Professional Development Pool

Application deadline: February 15, 2024 @ 11:59 pm

Funding amount for 2024: Up to \$4000

Award term: 1 year (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025. *No funds may be spent before the start date.*)

Attention full-time RRU Faculty Association (RRUFA) Members:

The 2024-25 Research and Professional Development Pool (RPD) competition is now open. As per Section 31.5 (a, ii) of the [Collective Agreement](#), "The Research and Professional Development Pool is a consolidated account solely for the use of full-time Members for all expenses related to scholarly advancement, including travel expenses, attendance at conferences, and travel and related expenses for research activities."

Application deadline: 11:59 pm on **February 15, 2024**.

Late applications or applications not submitted through the [Internal Awards inbox](#) will not be accepted.

Guidelines and Application form:

<https://www.royalroads.ca/research/find-funding/internal-funding/research-professional-development-pool>

Eligibility: All full-time Royal Roads faculty Association (RRUFA) members including librarians

Submission details

Applications must consist of one (1) word or PDF document and be submitted to the Research and Professional Development Panel via ruinternalawards@royalroads.ca

Faculty members may normally hold only **one** RPD grant at a time. Final reports for previously funded RPD awards are required in order to receive new funds. Please contact ruinternalawards@royalroads.ca for report information.

For more information, support, and to submit: Contact the [Internal Research Grants Coordinator](#).

Call for proposals: 2024-25 SSHRC Institutional Grant

Application deadline: February 15, 2024 @ 11:59 pm

Funding amount for 2024: Up to \$5000

Award term: 1 year (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025. *No funds may be spent before the start date.*)

Attention RRU Faculty members:

The 2024-25 SSHRC Institutional Grant (SIG) Competition is now open. The SIG funding is made available through SSHRC's Institutional Grants competition. SSHRC provides these grants to help eligible Canadian postsecondary institutions fund, through their own merit review processes, small-scale research, and research-related activities. SIG funds are intended to help Canadian postsecondary institutions strengthen research excellence in the social sciences and humanities. The funds are complementary to, and in line with, SSHRC's three main pillars of activities (Talent, Insight and Connections).

Application deadline: 11:59 pm on **February 15, 2024**.

Late applications or applications not submitted through the [Internal Awards inbox](#) will not be accepted.

Guidelines and Application form: <https://www.royalroads.ca/research/find-funding/internal-funding/social-sciences-humanities-research-council-institutional>

Eligibility: All SSHRC eligible faculty (i.e., core faculty working in social science and humanities disciplines) can apply unless you received funding from the SSHRC SIG competitions in 2022-23 or 2023-24.

Submission details

Applications must consist of one (1) word or PDF document and be submitted to the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) via ruinternalawards@royalroads.ca.

Faculty members may normally hold only **one** SIG award from 2022 to 2025 (2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 fiscal years). **If you currently hold a SIG22 or SIG23 grant, you will not be eligible for this competition.** Please contact ruinternalawards@royalroads.ca if you have any questions.

For more information, support, and to submit: Contact the [Internal Research Grants Coordinator](#)

Call for proposals: 2024-25 Allan Cahoon Global Advancement and Diversity Fund

Application deadline: February 15, 2024 @ 11:59 pm

Funding amount for 2024: Up to \$4000

Award term: 1 year (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025. *No funds may be spent before the start date.*)

Attention Royal Roads staff and faculty members:

The 2024-25 Allan Cahoon Global Advancement and Diversity Fund (GAD) competition is now open. The fund supports three initiatives one for students and two for faculty and staff. The opportunities for faculty and staff alternate depending on the year. This year the call is specifically for a **Global Advancement Project**, a project with a focus on forging new opportunities and furthering the interests of diversity.

Application deadline: 11:59 pm on **February 15, 2024.**

Late applications or applications not submitted through the [Internal Awards inbox](#) will not be accepted.

Guidelines and Application form: <https://www.royalroads.ca/research/find-funding/internal-funding/allan-cahoon-global-advancement-diversity-fund>

Eligibility: All current core faculty or permanent staff members are eligible

Submission details

Applications must consist of one (1) word or PDF document and be submitted to the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) via rruinternalawards@royalroads.ca.

Faculty and staff members may normally hold only **one** GAD grant at a time. Final reports for previously funded GAD awards are required in order to receive new funds. Please contact rruinternalawards@royalroads.ca for report information.

For more information, support, and to submit: Contact the [Internal Research Grants Coordinator](#)

Call for proposals: 2024-25 Buttedahl and Skene Learning and Teaching Innovation Fund

Application deadline: February 15, 2024 @ 11:59 pm

Funding amount for 2024: Up to \$2000

Award term: 1 year (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025. *No funds may be spent before the start date.*)

Attention RRU Faculty members:

The 2024-25 Buttedahl and Skene Learning and Teaching Innovation Fund (BSF) competition is now open. This award honours Bob Skene and Dr. Paz Buttedahl, and supports projects related to their joint commitment to enhancing teaching and learning at Royal Roads. The fund supports faculty members to make direct links between scholarship, teaching effectiveness, research, and student learning.

Application deadline: 11:59 pm on **February 15, 2024.**

Late applications or applications not submitted through the [Internal Awards inbox](#) will not be accepted.

Guidelines and Application form: <https://www.royalroads.ca/research/find-funding/internal-funding/buttedahl-skene-learning-teaching-innovation-fund>

Eligibility: All core faculty are eligible

Submission details

Applications must consist of one (1) word or PDF document and be submitted to the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) via ruinternalawards@royalroads.ca.

Faculty members may normally hold only **one** BSF grant at a time. Final reports for previously funded BSF awards are required in order to receive new funds. Please contact ruinternalawards@royalroads.ca for report information.

For more information, support, and to submit:

Contact the [Internal Research Grants Coordinator](#)



Call for proposals: SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants

Application deadline: March 15 or June 15, 2024

Value: \$7,000 to \$25,000

Duration: 1 year

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. The small-scale, stakeholder-driven partnerships supported through Partnership Engage Grants are meant to respond to immediate needs and time constraints facing organizations in non-academic sectors. In addressing an organization-specific need, challenge and/or opportunity, these partnerships let non-academic organizations and postsecondary researchers access each other's unique knowledge, expertise and capabilities on topics of mutual interest.

Partnership Engage Grants are expected to respond to the objectives of:

- the [Insight program](#) (to build knowledge; support new approaches to research; provide research training for students; fund research expertise that relates to societal challenges and opportunities; and mobilize research knowledge) and
- the [Connection program](#) (to share research knowledge; increase accessibility of research knowledge among all audiences; build reciprocal relationships among researchers; develop research networks and tools; and to make those networks and tools available to non-academic audiences.) However, Partnership Engage Grants cannot respond exclusively to the objectives of the Connection program.

SSHRC welcomes applications involving [Indigenous research](#), as well as those involving [research-creation](#).

See SSHRC's [Partnerships Tool-Kit](#) to assist in the planning and implementation of your partnership.

Types of partnerships

Following are some possible formal partnership approaches. Applicants are in no way limited to these approaches and are welcome to combine some of the features described below.

- **Cross-sector co-creation of knowledge and understanding:** Partnerships to foster innovative research, training and the co-creation of new knowledge on critical issues of intellectual, social, economic and cultural significance.
- **Partnered knowledge mobilization:** Partnerships designed to synthesize, apply and mobilize new and existing social sciences and humanities research knowledge in accessible ways to build institutional capacity and to increase the national and international impact and stature of Canadian research.

Partner organizations

Only one Canadian or international organization from the public, private or not-for-profit sector can be involved as a partner organization. Postsecondary institutions and scholarly associations are not eligible as partner organizations. Organizations collaborating with postsecondary institutions can be considered eligible as long as they are a separate entity from the postsecondary institution (i.e., a stand-alone organization in the non-profit, private or public sector). The partner organization must be at arm's length (independent) from the academic institution and the applicant.

Future Challenge Areas

SSHRC invites all applicants to review [Imagining Canada's Future](#)'s 16 future global challenges and to consider addressing one or more of these areas in their research proposal. This is not an evaluation criterion for merit review and does not offer additional or dedicated research funds for this funding opportunity.

For more information: [Visit the SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants web page](#)

Call for proposals: SSHRC Connection Grants

Application deadline: May 1, 2024

Value: Events: \$7,000 to \$25,000
Outreach activities: \$7,000 to \$50,000

Duration: 1 year

Connection Grants support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted [knowledge mobilization](#) initiatives. These events and activities represent opportunities to exchange knowledge and to engage with participants on research issues of value to them. Events and outreach activities funded by a Connection Grant can often serve as a first step toward more comprehensive and longer-term projects. Connection Grants are expected to respond to the objectives of the [Connection program](#).

Connection Grants support workshops, colloquiums, conferences, forums, summer institutes, or other events or outreach activities that facilitate:

- disciplinary and/or interdisciplinary exchanges in the social sciences and humanities;
- scholarly exchanges between those working in the social sciences and humanities and those working in other research fields;
- intersectoral exchanges between academic researchers in the social sciences and humanities and researchers and practitioners from the public, private and/or not-for-profit sectors; and/or
- international research collaboration and scholarly exchanges with researchers, students and non-academic partners from other countries.

Proposed events and outreach activities

- All activities must take place within 12 months of the start date indicated on the notice of award (see decision dates in the [funding cycle schedule](#)).
- Proposed events and outreach activities must produce timely and concrete deliverables, such as conference proceedings or other knowledge products developed for traditional formats and/or employing digital and/or multimedia formats (unless specifically intended to create new, longer-term linkages or to initiate collaboration).
- Proposed events and outreach activities can be one-time encounters or catalysts designed to lead to longer-term partnerships and/or sustained programs of scholarly research.

Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative

Through this initiative, SSHRC will fund at least 10 meritorious Connection Grant proposals per competition to support the social sciences and humanities research community develop and adopt research data management standards, tools and skills. Learn more about the [Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative](#). Candidates must indicate that they wish to be considered for an initiative, and explain why, in their application form.

For more information: [Visit the SSHRC Connection Grants web page](#)

Questions about your author rights, publishing, or promoting your research?

Contact [Cassandra Larose](#), Scholarly Communications Librarian, at 250-391-2600, ext. 4324.

Questions about your data management plan?

Contact [Amber Gallant](#), Data Services Librarian, at 250-391-2600, ext. 4433.

If you are interested in any of the above funding opportunities:

Please contact the [Office of Research Services](#) and we will assist you in the development of your proposal.

Please note: The principal investigator for any grant application submitted through Royal Roads University must be a core faculty member at RRU.

Spotlight

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in Research:

RRU's Diversity Action Group Welcomes You in 2024

We invite you to join us in building a safe and courageous university community where we uphold dignity, celebrate our common humanity and learn from different ways of knowing and being in the world. ~ [RRU's Diversity Statement](#)

RRU's Diversity Action Group (DAG) raises awareness, informs, and educates the university community on the experience of people from diverse backgrounds. Consider joining the DAG this year and get to know some of your colleagues and RRU students, while contributing to important initiatives and helping to create an inclusive university environment.

The DAG is open to all members of the university community including students, alumni, faculty, and staff. We normally have monthly meetings, but you can choose your level of commitment as a volunteer. Attend meetings and events, coordinate initiatives, or just read our emails! There is no minimum or maximum level of participation.

Find more information [here](#), or [email the Diversity Action Group](#) to sign up!

Call for Proposals: *From Targeting in Academia to Promoting Trust and Understanding*

Submission deadline (abstracts): January 8, 2024

Conference dates: June 27-29, 2024

Conference location: University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON

Institutions of higher learning are environments where new ideas, visions, and discoveries are cultivated. In these environments, unexplored areas offer the space for curiosity to flourish and for rigorous enquiry to deepen understanding. It's where professors and students conduct extensive research in the continuous pursuit of knowledge, trust, understanding, and justice. These pursuits are enriched through diversity of thought and perspective in an environment where we strive for a spirit of pluralism. Unfortunately, it is also in these environments where targeted attacks occur by those who may feel threatened by this important work and the impact it has on society. A hate-motivated attack occurred at the University of Waterloo on 28 June 2023.

[This international conference](#) (27-29 June 2024) focuses on the broad subject of responding to antagonistic and intimidating reactions to academic research and pedagogy. Scholars in many fields have experienced hostile responses to their work. These responses are often directed to those whose emphasis is on social justice scholarship that focuses on discrimination based on gender, sexuality, race, ethnicity, and religion; science, evolution, and technology research; health and vaccine research; and environment and climate change research. Such antagonism may stem from individuals, organized groups, certain sectors of society, and diverse institutions. It may aim to silence an individual researcher and attack those advocating certain scholarly ideas through harsh and punitive actions such as cyberbullying, disrupting public presentations, personal threats, censorship, dismissals, and physical violence.

The conference will bring together scholars, from within and outside of Canada, who work from a wide variety of fields across academia. Its purpose is to underline experiences of how we engage in cooperative and valuable conversations, share tools or approaches that are working well, and cultivate critical thinking skills, openness, and freedom of expression. We will discuss ways in which we can foster debate with those who defend opposing views. Within and alongside these common themes, attention will be given to the issue of trust and the role it plays in higher education, in government, and in other associated spheres.

There are several outcomes we hope for from this conference. This conference makes it possible for participants to meet and discuss academic and pedagogical matters on the theme, to foster transnational networking, and to engage in future research and pedagogic collaboration with other groups. Additionally, several Guest Editors, ideally members who participated in the conference, will be involved in producing one or more special journal issues on topics dealing with Targeting in Academia. More information on these journal issues will be forthcoming by Spring 2024. Lastly, the conference will contribute to the development of principles of freedom of expression.

Lead Organizer: Suzan Ilcan, Professor and University Research Chair, Special Advisor on Interdisciplinary Research

[Abstracts](#)

Conference Abstract Topics – [view at this link](#)

Length: 150-200 words

Due: 8 January 2024

Abstracts to be sent to: [Lana Gonzalez Balyk](#) and copied to [Suzan Ilcan](#)

Call for Expressions of Interest: *Indigenous Leadership Circle in Research*

Application deadline: March 31, 2024

Canada's three federal research funding agencies—the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and SSHRC—and the Canada Foundation for Innovation are seeking expressions of interest from First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples to participate in the Indigenous Leadership Circle in Research.

Launched in 2022, the Leadership Circle advises the four organizations in implementing the Canada Research Coordinating Committee's (CRCC) strategic plan, [*Setting new directions to support Indigenous research and research training in Canada*](#).

[Current members of the Leadership Circle](#) include First Nations, Inuit and Métis researchers at various career stages and from a variety of research communities, including postsecondary institutions and Indigenous not-for-profit organizations with a research mandate.

The Indigenous Leadership Circle in Research is now seeking to fill key vacancies with new members who have a deep understanding of Indigenous research and who are interested in contributing to improving the research landscape for Indigenous researchers in Canada.

Interested individuals are invited to submit a two- to three-page, freeform application that:

- confirms they are of Indigenous ancestry, including if they hold citizenship or membership by a recognized Indigenous government;
- outlines the experiences and perspectives they have that would contribute to the mandate of the Leadership Circle;
- explains how being part of the Leadership Circle would benefit them and their community, collective and/or organization; and
- is accompanied by a letter of support from their community.

See the [call for expressions of interest](#) for details. The **deadline for applications is March 31, 2024**. Appointments to the Leadership Circle will be announced by October 2024.

For more information: [Visit the Call for Expressions of Interest web page](#)

Questions about anything in the Research e-bulletin? Contact the [Office of Research Services](#)