SSHRC Opportunities

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The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) is the federal research funding agency that promotes and supports postsecondary-based research and research training in the humanities and social sciences. By focusing on developing Talent, generating Insights and forging Connections across campuses and communities, SSHRC strategically supports world-leading initiatives that reflect a commitment to ensuring a better future for Canada and the world.
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

• “The intended outcome of the research must primarily be to **add to our understanding and knowledge of individuals, groups and societies**—what we think, how we live, and how we interact with each other and the world around us.”

• SSHRC has widened the scope on subject matter eligibility (e.g., wrt Health) and we have seen an increase in IDG applications awarded recently to CSM and Nursing researchers.
SSHRC Subject Matter Eligibility - Health

• Must address social sciences and humanities objectives:
  • Increase/enhance knowledge or understanding of individuals and societies
  • Address critical social, cultural, economic, technological, or environmental challenges
  • Create/increase awareness of phenomena that have societal implications
  • Examine social and cultural determinants of health

• No “Health” adjudication committees
• Address how project is relevant to a SSH discipline
SSHRC Subject Matter Eligibility - Health

• Health can be an outcome of the research project but not the primary one

• Examples of ineligible research include:
  • clinical education for health care professionals
  • psychomotor research and kinesiology
  • clinical research (e.g., treatment, prevention or diagnosis of a condition, disorder or disease; testing or evaluating the impact of interventions, medication or medical aids)
  • therapy (e.g., counselling, interventions, psychotherapy, rehabilitation, speech and occupational therapy, validation/testing of diagnostic tools)
  • epidemiology
Insight Development Grant

- **Funds available:** $7,000 - $75,000
- The Principal Applicant must be either Emerging or an Established researcher making a bridge to a new area of research.

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- **Funds available:** $7,000 - $400,000
- Supports research proposed by scholars and judged worthy of funding by their peers and/or other experts. IG research initiatives may be undertaken by an individual researcher or a team of researchers working in collaboration for a period of 2-5 years.
Partnership Engage Grant

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- **Funds available:** $7,000 - $25,000
- Funds small-scale, stakeholder-driven partnerships between an academic and a single (non-academic) partner organization. The focus is on an issue facing the partner which can be feasibly resolved in 12 months.
- 2020s competition include special call for COVID-19 PEG, additional funding available
Partnership Development Grant

- **Funds available:** $75,000 - $200,000
- Projects are led by an academic managing a new or existing partnership between 1 or more partner orgs (Canadian or international; public, private, or non-profit). Partnerships should be meaningful and reciprocal; evidence of formal partnership is required. Duration is 1-3 years.

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- **Funds available**: $20,000 for successful Stage 1 and up to $2.5 million for successful Stage 2
- Funds large teams working in formal collaborations; the institution assists in preparation of these applications. Duration is 4-7 years
- Matching funds are required
Connection Grant

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- **Funds available:** $7,000 - $25,000 (up to $50,000 for outreach)
- Supports events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization, exchange, and engagement on research issues
- Requires matching cash and/or in-kind contributions, of at least 50% of the amount requested from SSHRC.
URGC SSHRC Explore Faculty Seed Grant

- **Value:** up to $15,000
- **Duration:** 18 months
- **Deadlines:** January-early February
- **Eligibility:** Designed to aid researchers in the development of applications to SSHRC and other funding programs, by advancing a project to the point where it is a major research project with a trainee component and can attract external grant money.
- **Applications** are reviewed internally.
URGC SSHRC Partnership Seed Grant

- **Value:** $2,500 or $10,000
- **Duration:** 1 year
- **Deadlines:** varies: next one is September
- **Eligibility:** Designed to aid researchers in the development of applications to SSHRC Partnership program, primarily through travel and meetings with potential partners.
  - Engage stream: up to $2,500;
  - Development stream: up to $10,000.
- Applications are reviewed internally.
SSHRC Explore (Enhancement) Grant

• Value: ~$4,000 to $6,000
• Duration: 18 months
• Eligibility: Designed to aid researchers who were close to funding but unsuccessful in national IDG and IG competitions
• Eligible applicants are invited to apply
Additional Supports for SSHRC Applicants

Knowledge Engagement Unit:

• Facilitation of research partnerships
• Knowledge mobilization training and planning

Development of PG and PDG applications supported through Institutional Programs Division of RSO and SUPPORT Networks Committee

• Test Your Concept sessions
• Feedback on drafts
• Mock interviews