NSERC Synergy Awards for Innovation

The Synergy Awards for Innovation recognize outstanding research and development partnerships in the natural sciences and engineering between universities and Canadian industry. Since their inception the awards have honoured the most outstanding achievements of university-industry collaboration. Nominations can be made in one of four categories: Small- and medium-sized companies, large companies, two or more companies, and colleges. Deadline to NSERC directly April 15, 2015.

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Mitacs Elevate training program for postdoctoral fellows

Mitacs Elevate is a two-year training program for postdoctoral fellows, in which participants lead and undertake an industrially relevant research project in any discipline. During this time, participants receive experiential training in research and development directly through their industry-academic research collaboration, and leadership training and business acumen through the program’s training curriculum. Letter of intent deadline to sponsor: April 23, 2015.

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CIHR strategic plan builds on Canada’s research leadership

CIHR’s “Capturing Innovation to Produce Better Health and Health Care for Canadians (Roadmap II)” builds on Canada’s reputation as a world leader in health research excellence, and embraces new ways of working with partners and stakeholders through a dynamic framework for research investment. It sets strategic directions that will enable CIHR to provide researchers with the freedom and autonomy to pursue new ideas, mobilize research communities to focus on health priorities that are relevant to Canadians, and maximize the value and impact of its investments.

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Changes to CIHR research reporting system

Changes to the CIHR research reporting system come into effect April 9, 2015. In response to feedback collected from the research community, CIHR has identified opportunities to streamline the reporting system, to reduce burden on researchers while ensuring that the data captured aligns with CIHR’s reporting requirements. Some report submission deadlines have been extended for this year.
Notices

**Make important connections through the Researcher Expertise Database**
Researchers are encouraged to participate in the U of G Researcher Expertise Database (RED), designed to provide an efficient and effective point of contact for research sponsors, collaborators, graduate students, media and others. Participants enter their own information and control their own profiles in this secure database, which is housed in the Office of Research. RED is open to all faculty, at no charge. Read more.

**Promote your research with Photo Friday**
The latest way to promote your research through the Office of Research is Photo Friday. This visual feature on the spruced-up Office of Research website offers U of G researchers a weekly opportunity to have a photo posted of their activities in the lab or the field. All submissions are welcome. No deadline. See recent examples here.

Workshops and information sessions

**How to comply with the harmonized open access policy on publications**
The tri-agencies harmonized open access policy on publications comes into effect on May 1, 2015. This policy is designed to improve access to the results of agency-funded research, and to increase the dissemination and exchange of research results. The library is presenting a workshop on how to comply with this policy. The workshop will be held Wednesday April 8, 2015 – noon to 1 p.m., and repeated Wednesday, April 22, 2015, noon – 1 p.m. Read more.

**Faculty information exchange: Patenting 101**
Patricia Folkins, a registered patent agent in Canada and the US, will provide an overview of the patent process by defining intellectual property (IP), discussing what researchers should do if they suspect they have created new IP, and reviewing types of patents and other IP protection. This seminar will address why researchers should care about patents, and the costs, timelines and benefits associated with patenting. Date: April 15, 2015, noon – 1 p.m., UC 103. Read more.

**Tools and strategies for managing your scholarly identity**
Managing your scholarly identity has become an increasingly important part of managing yourself as an academic. If done well you will ensure you are represented the way that you intend, are able to demonstrate the impact of your work, and keep organized throughout your career. This workshop takes place Thursday, April 16, 2015 – noon – 1 p.m. Read more.

**NSERC Discovery Grants workshop**
This workshop will include grant writing tips for the Discovery Grants 2015 competition, mock reviews of sample NSERC grant applications and information regarding internal review and associated deadlines, provided by colleges and Office of Research Services. This session takes place Tuesday, April 28, 2015, 8:30 a.m. – noon. RSVP required. If you are interested in having your recent Discovery Grant application used in the mock review segment of the workshop, contact Laura Beaupre at lbeaupre@uoguelph.ca. Read more.

**CIHR Foundation Scheme second "live pilot" information session**
This session will include an overview of changes occurring at CIHR and give interested applicants an opportunity to discuss the Foundation Scheme program with U of G faculty who served as reviewers in the 1st “Live Pilot” competition. This session takes place Monday, May 11, 2015, 2 - 4:30 p.m., UC 442. RSVP required. Read more.

**SSHRC Insight Grant / Insight Development Grant writing workshop**
This workshop will include grant writing tips for the insight Grant 2015 competition and the Insight Development Grant 2016 competition, mock reviews of sample grant applications led by SSHRC review committee members, and information regarding internal review and associated deadlines, provided by colleges and Office of Research Services. This workshop takes place Wednesday, May 13, 2015, 8:30 a.m. – noon, Rozanski Hall Room 106. RSVP required. If you are interested in having your recent Insight or Insight Development Grant used in the mock review segment of the workshop, contact Laura Beaupre at lbeaupre@uoguelph.ca. Read more.

Reminders

Please respect deadlines. The Office of Research Services strives to help ensure the accuracy, completeness, and
compliance with sponsor/University policies for research submissions, providing feedback prior to submission. Researchers are to submit complete, final versions of proposals by the posted internal deadlines. For more information, refer to guidelines on minimum processing times. For proposals prepared using the sponsor's online system (including but not limited to CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC, OMAFRA), submit proposals online and OR-5 forms at the same time, by the posted internal deadline.

Check the Office of Research website, the Office of Research facebook page and the Office of Research twitter feed (@UofGResearch) for other current funding opportunities, updates and important deadlines in between editions of the INSIDER.

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