CFI Innovation Fund call for proposals

The Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) is expected to release a call for proposals to the Innovation Fund in early 2016. To prepare in advance of the competition, the University of Guelph requires the completion of a mandatory registration form from interested applicants, due November 27, 2015.

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Research to protect species at risk

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is accepting applications for the 2016-2017 Species at Risk Research Fund for Ontario (SARRFO). This fund supports the protection and recovery of species at risk by funding research that addresses key threats and knowledge gaps and informs better species protection and management. Internal deadline: December 1, 2015.

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Cancer Research Society operating grants competition

The operating grants competition supports fundamental, early translational and environment-cancer research on all types of cancer to contribute to the advancement of science aimed at preventing, detecting and treating this disease. There are also additional operating grants available for specific types of cancer. LOI to sponsor directly: December 7, 2015.

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Dedicated programming support from SHARCNET

SHARCNET has launched Round VII of its Dedicated Programming Support program. The program provides SHARCNET programmer time/expertise for computational projects, with priority in this round given to the development of innovative visualization applications for large data sets, and/or projects from disciplines that are not traditionally major users of high performance computing. Interested faculty must apply through the SHARCNET webportal. Internal deadline is December 14, 2015.

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Request for letters of intent for provincial pig and pork research

Ontario Pork has announced a call for letters of intent for pig and pork research projects that focus on Ontario production and the Ontario swine industry. Letters of intent should focus on research to achieve a reproductive efficiency target of 30 or more pigs weaned/sow/year, improvements in feed efficiency, reduction of phosphorus losses into the environment and new innovative health approaches to the current use of antibiotics. **LOI deadline to sponsor directly: December 17, 2015.**

National Pork Board call for research proposals on international trade

The National Pork Board is looking for research proposals to determine the current microbiological and chemical residue status of pork offal products destined for export, to establish a baseline industry benchmark related to safety and quality. **Internal deadline: January 4, 2016.**

Seed funds for life sciences commercialization

The Pre-commercialization Business Development Fund is an early stage seed fund managed by Ontario Genomics designed to help Ontario life science researchers and entrepreneurs commercialize their innovations. It provides early-stage funding companies on their own or with academic collaborators, to help them move towards commercial applications and speed up the transfer of products from lab to marketplace. **Internal deadline: January 4, 2016.**

Mitacs – Japan Society for the Promotion of Science internship

Mitacs has partnered with the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) to support student mobility between Canadian universities and Japanese universities and research institutes. The Mitacs-JSPS internship provides opportunities for graduate students in Canada to pursue collaborative research in Japan, allowing them to advance their own research while promoting scientific progress in both Japan and Canada. **Internal deadline: January 22, 2016.**

Parkinson Society Canada funding opportunities

**Pilot Project Grants**
Through this initiative, Parkinson Society Canada invites grant applications from professionals committed to conducting novel, emerging, or innovative research in areas relevant to the cure, cause, prevention, improved treatment and/or understanding of Parkinson’s disease and its implications on society. **Internal deadline: January 25, 2016. Read more.**

**New Investigator Award Grants**
This program is a strategic initiative to provide investigators who have recently completed research training, with an early opportunity to develop and demonstrate the ability to initiate and conduct independent health research. **Internal deadline: January 25, 2016. Read more.**

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) – Insight Development Grant 2016

Insight Development Grants support research in its initial stages. The grants enable the development of new research
questions, as well as experimentation with new methods, theoretical approaches and/or ideas. Within the Insight Development Grants funding opportunity, funding is available for two distinct categories of scholars: emerging scholars and established scholars. **Internal deadline: January 27, 2016.**

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**Notices**

**Information regarding submission deadlines during 2015 holiday schedule**
The Office of Research Services will be closed from Friday December 25, 2015 through Friday January 1, 2016 along with the rest of the University which reopens Monday January 4, 2016. Any submissions due to sponsors with external deadlines of Friday January 1, 2016 through Friday January 8, 2016 are due the week of Monday December 14, 2015 to allow enough time for review and any needed revisions. No internal deadlines will be posted the week of Monday December 21, 2015. Read more.

**2015 Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide Now Available**
The three federal granting agencies—the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)—have posted the 2015 Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide. Changes made to this year’s guide supersede the previous version and took effect on November 1st, 2015. Read more.

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**Workshops and Information Sessions**

**SSHRC webinars**
SSHRC is offering a series of webinars throughout November and December to provide information and answer questions about different funding opportunities. Webinar participants will have the opportunity to submit written questions via the webinar interface during the presentations. A webinar focusing on Insight Development Grants takes place Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. Read more.

**Faculty information exchange series 2015-16 offers strategies for getting published**
Dr. John Livernois-Office of Research, Dr. Brian Husband-College of Biological Sciences, and Dr. Pascal Lupien-Library will share publication strategies and address Tri-Agency requirements for open access. This session takes place Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at noon, in UC 441. Read more.

**Ethics discussion and information**
Ethics clearance is required before any research is conducted involving human participants. Applications to involve humans in research are reviewed by the Research Ethics Board. The Director of Research Ethics offers weekly brown bag lunches and monthly information sessions to help guide faculty and students through the process. The next monthly session is Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in UC 334. Read more.

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**Reminders**

These granting council newsletters are now available:
NSERC Contact
CIHR funding news
SSHRC Dialogue
CFI Innovation Now

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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