Call for expression of interest from OCE and AAC

Ontario Centres of Excellence (OCE), the Agricultural Adaptation Council and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council are partnering to support collaborative research and development projects through OCE’s Voucher for Industry Association R&D Challenge Program. The program encourages for-profit businesses with innovative industrial bioproduct ideas to collaborate with academic research institutions to foster innovation and drive commercialization. **Internal deadline: January 18th, 2016.**

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Storytellers contest

SSHRC has launched its fourth annual storytellers contest, challenging postsecondary students to show Canadians how social sciences and humanities research affects their lives, world and future prosperity. The students’ task is to tell the story (in three minutes or 300 words) of a SSHRC-funded research project taking place at their institution. **Submission period: January 5 - 29, 2016.**

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OCE smart computing challenge

Ontario Centres of Excellence (OCE), the Southern Ontario Smart Computing Innovation Platform and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council are partnering to support collaborative research and development projects by Ontario industry companies and academic research partners through OCE’s Voucher for Industry Association R&D Challenge program. The program provides academic and industry researchers with access to advanced computing tools and infrastructure and supports collaborative research and development projects in the areas of advanced manufacturing, cybersecurity, digital media and mining. **Internal deadline: February 16, 2016.**

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CFI innovation fund update

The University of Guelph research community submitted 24 registration forms expressing interest in the upcoming 2016 CFI Innovation Fund competition. Registration forms can be viewed [here](#). All faculty are invited to peruse the registration forms to identify opportunities for collaboration. Registered project leaders must next submit an **internal LOI to the Office of Research by February 16, 2016.** Faculty who are co-applicants on projects led by
another institution (and who will request a portion of the University’s funding envelope) must also submit an internal LOI by the February 16 deadline.

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**Nova Scotia Museum research grants**

The Nova Scotia Museum Research Grant Program, administered by the museum's board of governors, annually contributes funding toward research projects that improve Nova Scotians’ understanding of heritage or offer a different interpretation of the province's cultural history. Results from the research can generate artifacts and specimens for the provincial collections. Areas of interest are marine history, cultural history, natural history, archaeology and paleontology. **Internal deadline: February 19, 2016.**

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**Notices**

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**Changes to Office of Research website underway**

A new Office of Research website will be launched soon. The current site is being transitioned to a recently developed University-wide design. To accommodate this exercise, significant work is being done on the website’s infrastructure. As a result, only time-sensitive matters such as news, events, and funding opportunities will be posted on the website until further notice.

**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, the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council — 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**

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**Dairy research town hall**

UofG faculty with an interest in dairy research are invited to attend a town hall information session about enhancing and optimizing dairy research funding. Dairy Farmers of Ontario, Dairy Farmers of Canada, OMAFRA, Livestock Research and Innovation Council and the UofG will give short presentations followed by a forum for open discussion. The session is being held on Thursday, December 17, 2015, Room 1713, Lifetime Learn Centre, OVC from 10:30 a.m. -1:30 pm. RSVP your attendance to Mary Visser Kerr Read more.

**LRIC workshop**

The Livestock Research Innovation Corporation is hosting a workshop called "Tackling climate variation in the Ontario livestock sectors." Jonathan Newman, dean, College of Biological Science and Nicole Nemeth, associate professor, Department of Pathobiology, OVC. The workshop takes place Friday, December 11, 2015, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Cutten Fields. For more information and to RSVP, contact Rebecca Rebus at 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, January 13, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. in UC 334. Read more.

**Faculty information exchange series 2015-16 offers case studies in research misconduct and conflict of interest**
Participants will review and discuss real cases of research misconduct and learn about the responsible conduct of research policy/framework within which all researchers at UoG are to operate. This engaging session will take place Thursday, January 14, 2016 at noon, in UC 441. Read more.

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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