

LRIC's Bridge

Livestock Research Innovation Corporation (LRIC) is pleased to introduce our new Bridge for **graduate students/post docs/industry and government staff working in the broad area of livestock research**. "Broad" is meant to capture work in not only animal sciences (e.g. nutrition, health) but also in engineering, related social sciences, etc. This free program is a spin off from our highly successful mentorship program for <u>early career faculty</u>.

The program is an opportunity for participants to learn about the challenges and opportunities in the livestock sector, connect with industry, government and other students from across disciplines.

Who is LRIC?

- Formed in 2013 with all Ontario livestock sector organizations as members and OMAFRA as a funding partner
- LRIC's role is to help create a robust future for Ontario's livestock value chain
- LRIC focuses on a horizon that is 3-5 years out and research and innovation to create the future
 - Identify emerging issues, cross sector and cross discipline opportunities for the livestock sector
 - o Review Ontario's Livestock Innovation System
 - Work with livestock, poultry and aquaculture sectors to ensure relevant research priorities
 - o Trusted intermediary between academia, government, and industry

Who is eligible?

- Industry Organization Staff
- Government Staff
- Graduate Students and Post-Doctoral Students

What's involved in the Bridge?

- Participants will have access to LRIC resources
 - Industry introductions and overviews
 - o Getting Research into Practice (GRIP) podcast series
 - o Producer insights regarding GRIP
 - Horizon Series on the big issues facing the livestock industry
 - IRAC report on Ontario Livestock's innovation system
 - Research Scouts
 - o LRIC Newsletter "Livestock Innovation"
- Through two meetings, participants will build connections and collaborations with one another, LRIC and the livestock industry

• We hope to build solid and long-lasting connections with participants because your success will ultimately help Ontario's livestock sector to succeed.

How would the program benefit me?

- Building solid connections to industry, academia and Government will help ensure impactful research.
- Take advantage of LRIC's network built through decades of experience in the industry.
- Connections with other participants, opening the door to more creative, collaborative, and cross discipline/sector approaches to research and innovation
- Lasting networks

Ready to apply?

- Complete the Bridge application form accessible through <u>https://lric.smartsimple.ca</u> and we will be in touch!
- Applications must be submitted by October 3, 2022, 12:00PM

What is my commitment?

- Take advantage of the resources being offered
- Participate in two ½ day sessions: 1st late fall, 2nd late winter, which will let you build connections and give you an opportunity to ask questions that arise from the resources

How do I find out more?

- Visit <u>www.livestockresearch.ca</u>
- Contact us at <u>info@livestockresearch.ca</u> with questions