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Research and Innovation COVID-19 FAQ

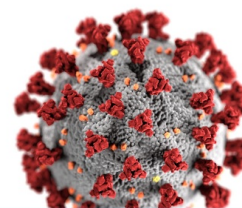
## News & Events

### COVID-19 Restrictions and Potential Changes

On November 26, Dr. K.W. Michael Siu, Vice President Research, shared an [email](#) with UWindsor researchers regarding the evolving COVID-19 situation in the province and in our community.

Researchers are urged to continue vigilance in adherence to guidance developed by the University and public health authorities to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and to discuss possible strategies that the University may deploy to support the continuation of research in the event of further provincial restrictions in our region.

Read more from Dr. Siu's email at the link above.



**COVID-19 Information for  
Researchers**

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### COVID-19 and the University Research Safety Committee, Research Ethics Board and Animal Care Committee

**IMPORTANT:** Please ensure that applications are submitted ahead of Wednesdays at noon in order to make it on the Thursday meeting agenda for that week.

2020 meetings: Dec 3

Holiday break: Dec 7, 2020 – Jan 11, 2021

2021 meetings: Jan 14, 21, 28

The University of Windsor Research Ethics Board is available to researchers and study participants by email through the REB [mailbox](#) and by voicemail at the Office of Research Ethics 519-253-3000, ext. 3948. [Read more](#)

For animal care related inquiries, please contact John Hudson, Chair of the Animal Care Committee at [jhudson@uwindsor.ca](mailto:jhudson@uwindsor.ca).

RSC is still meeting weekly on Thursdays and copies of all research resumption blank forms can be found [here](#). Questions can be sent to [RSC@uwindsor.ca](mailto:RSC@uwindsor.ca)

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### 2020 OCE Information Session - Industry Partnerships

**Schedule:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

Please join ORIS for an online Teams meeting to learn more about the available funding options through OCE - Ontario Centres of Excellence. Andreas Waller from OCE will give a comprehensive overview of funding paths for industry-academia collaboration projects. A short presentation will be followed by a question and answer period. Registration page [here](#).

## Funding Opportunities

### Faculty Deadlines for Applications

Some Faculties have internal deadlines to secure the relevant signatures and to offer proposals the opportunity for peer review before they are submitted to the funding agency.

\*Applicants from the Faculty of Education and FAHSS: By the "Application due Faculty" deadline below, email to the relevant person (1) the rough copy of application, and (2) an [ORIS form](#) signed by you and your department head:

- Education: [Kara Smith](#), cc. [Janet Coop](#)
- Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (FAHSS): [Brent Lee](#)

Applicants from HK: By the "Application due Faculty" deadline below, email [Cheri McGowan](#) the rough copy of the application. Ask your department head and dean to sign your ORIS form before the ORIS deadline.

Applicants from Law: On the Faculty deadline, please email to both [Laverne Jacobs](#), Associate Dean-Research, Law, ORIS, (1) your draft application, and (2) [ORIS form](#) signed by you.

Applicants from other Faculties: Ask your department head and dean to sign your ORIS form before the ORIS deadline.



#### Program Information in relation to COVID-19

NSERC continues to make adjustments to its operations as they monitor the evolution and impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

The information below will be updated on a regular basis. If you have any questions, please refer to

NSERC's [Contact Us page](#).

#### NSERC Supplemental Funding for Salary Expenses

In the late summer, many NSERC grant holders had the opportunity to accept supplemental funds to support salaries that were spent from eligible grants (DG, IRC, CRD, Engage, I2I, Strategic Projects) between April 1 and June 30, 2020. These supplemental funds can cover eligible salary expenses between April 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021 (previously to December 31, 2020 but have since been extended). Those who accepted these supplemental funds will be contacted directly via email survey to determine how these funds would be best spent for their specific grants, which will enable ORIS and Research Finance to process your supplemental funds accordingly. We thank you for your continued patience with this process and appreciate your support as we continue to navigate through new COVID-19 processes.

Please note that this supplement is distinct from the CRCEF supplement.

#### NSERC Alliance Grants

- Intended for proposals which:
  1. conduct natural science or engineering research that addresses an unmet societal need
  2. connect organizations willing and able to overcome barriers to address these challenges and achieve results that can lead to a societal impact beyond economic benefits [More info](#)

**OCE VIP-NSERC Alliance Partnership**

Program open for applications from August 15, 2020

**Alliance-VIP program**

This is a new joint program between NSERC and OCE which leverages \$20k - \$30k (minimum 50% cash) from for-profit SMEs to provide matching funds through both of the respective Alliance and VIP programs. These projects are 1 year in duration with a maximum budget of \$90k. This program has no deadlines but does have a set annual budget.

Please contact your Research Coordinator for more information regarding this program and how to apply.

**NSERC Form 100D – Consent to Provide Limited Personal Information about HQP to NSERC**

All NSERC applicants must ensure that they have a Form 100D completed for all HQP where their limited personal information are described in your CCV and/or your application. Please find a copy of this form [here](#) along with more detailed information.

**Impact of COVID-19 on strategic funding competitions**

In response to the three-month moratorium on strategic funding opportunities, all posted deadlines are on hold until further notice. Over the coming weeks/months, updates will be made to each funding opportunity once new timelines are confirmed. Potential applicants are therefore asked to stand by and refrain from applying to

posted opportunities. A date of July 2, 2020 has been temporarily inserted and will be revised when more information becomes available. For all information related to CIHR's response to the pandemic, please consult [CIHR's COVID-19 webpage](#). For further information, please contact: [CIHR Contact Centre](#).

**Team Grant: Diabetes Mechanisms and Translational Solutions**

**Competitive LOI Deadline:** December 9, 2020

Mechanistic research defined as studies designed to understand the pathophysiology of diabetes, its complications and morbidities. Translational research is defined as research that advances effective translation and application of knowledge across the expanse of pre-clinical, clinical and health services delivery domains to improve patient outcomes.

**Research Areas:**

1. Etiology and pathogenesis of diabetes
2. Etiology of diabetes complications and comorbidities with the aim to better predict, prevent and treat
3. Using genetics, epigenetics, phenotyping and multi-omic approaches to investigate disease heterogeneity to facilitate precision medicine
4. Immunometabolism
5. Reversal of remission of type 2 diabetes
6. Health services or implementation science
7. Priority funding pools for: B-cell and Pancreatic Islet Physiology, Diabetic Kidney Disease, Diabetes and Cardiometabolic Disease Funding Pool

Please let [Ingrid Oemo](#) know if you will be placing in an application. Please send ORIS form and draft of application no later than December 2, 2020.

**OHTN HIV Endgame**

- **LOI Deadline:** December 7, 2020
- **LOI Results:** Mid-December
- **Application Deadline:** January 18, 2021

**Game-Changer Awards:** Investigator-driven awards that will build on the engagement of

Ontario's HIV Innovation community to generate game-changing knowledge, and pilot and scale-up innovative interventions.

Community based Project and Participatory Evaluation Awards: support for community-based agencies, their staff and people living with HIV to undertake projects, needs assessments, quality improvements and evaluation activities that help develop and modify effective programs, services, and policies or generate data to make the case for additional HIV inquiry relevant to Ontario's needs.

Please inform [Ingrid Qemo](#) if you are applying. Please send her an ORIS form and draft of application no later than November 30, 2020.

### **Banting Research Foundation Discovery Awards**

The [Discovery Award](#) is a one-year grant of up to \$25,000 for innovative health and biomedical research projects by outstanding new investigators in Canada within the first three years of their first academic appointment. Intent is to provide seed funding so that applicants can gather pilot data to enhance competitiveness for other sources of funding. Game-Changer Awards: Investigator-driven awards that will build on the engagement of Ontario's HIV Innovation community to generate game-changing knowledge, and pilot and scale-up innovative interventions. **Application Deadline: January 25, 2021**

Please inform [Ingrid Qemo](#) if you are applying. Please send her an ORIS form and draft of application no later than January 11, 2020.

### **Max Bell Foundation Grants**

#### **Application Deadline: Rolling Application**

These grants seek to support projects that have a high likelihood of informing public policy and/or practice.

#### **Current program priorities:**

1. Environmental Program: Please contact [Sara Kenno](#) or [Michelle Nevett](#)
2. Health and Wellness Program: Please contact [Ingrid Qemo](#)
3. Education Program: Please contact [Natasha Wiebe](#)
4. Policies for Recovery from Pandemic: Please contact [Ingrid Qemo](#)

#### **Grant Types:**

1. Project Grants: supports clearly defined activities designed to achieve a specific goal
2. Development Grants: support organizations who wish to undertake short term (app. 4 months) work that will better position them to succeed with larger projects.

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## **Funding Opportunities for the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities**

### **COVID-19: Impacts on SSHRC's Policies and Programs**

Due to COVID-19, some deadlines are being revised. Learn more about the [impacts of COVID-19 on SSHRC's programs](#).

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### **SSHRC Partnership Engage: December 2020**

- NOI – As a courtesy, notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) of intent to apply – October 2020
- Application due Faculty (see above) – November 10, 2020
- Application due ORIS – November 24, 2020
- Application due SSHRC – December 15, 2020, 4 PM [More info](#)

### **SSHRC Knowledge Synthesis: Mobility and Public Transit**

Grants will support the synthesis of existing research knowledge, and the identification of knowledge gaps, related to the [SSHRC priority area of Mobility and Public Transit](#)

- EOI – As a courtesy, notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) – October, 2020
- Application due Faculty (see above) – November 12, 2020
- Application due ORIS – November 26, 2020
- Application due SSHRC – December 17, 2020, 4PM [More info](#)

### **Canadian Foundation for Legal Research Grant**

- NOI – Please notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) of your intent to apply – November 2020
- Application due Law & ORIS – December 10, 2020
- Application due Foundation – January 15, 2021 (anticipated) [More info](#)

#### Connection Grants: February 2021

- NOI – As a courtesy, notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) of intent to apply – November 2020
- Application due Faculty (see above) – December 14, 2020
- Application due ORIS – January 5, 2021
- Application due SSHRC – February 1, 2021, 4 PM [More info](#)

#### SSHRC Insight Development Grant 2021

To support new research in its early stages; particularly well suited for [emerging scholars](#). Requires a [Canadian Common CV](#), which a significant time investment.

- NOI – As a courtesy, notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) of intent to apply – September 2020
- Application due Faculty (see above) – December 14, 2020
- Application due ORIS – January 5, 2021
- Application due SSHRC – February 2, 2021, 4 PM [More info](#)

#### SSHRC Partnership Grant 2021 – Stage 1

To support large teams working in formal collaboration with postsecondary institutions and/or other partner organizations.

- NOI for UWindsor-led applications – Please notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) of your intent to apply – June 2020
- NOI for interinstitutional applications – Co-applicants on proposals led by another university, please notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) – November 2020
- UWindsor-led application due Faculty (see above) – January 4, 2021
- Application due ORIS – January 11, 2021
- Application due SSHRC – February 10, 2021, 4 PM

#### SSHRC Partnership Engage Grants: March 2021

- NOI – As a courtesy, notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) of intent to apply – January, 2021
- Application due Faculty (see above) & ORIS – February 10, 2021
- Application due SSHRC – March 15, 2021, 4 PM [More info](#)

#### Law Foundation of Ontario Responsive Grant (Spring Competition)

- NOI – Please notify [nwiebe@uwindsor.ca](mailto:nwiebe@uwindsor.ca) of your intent to apply – January 2021
- Application due Law & ORIS – March 10, 2021
- Application due LFO -- March 31, 2021, 5 PM (anticipated) [More info](#)

 **THE SPINOFF PRIZE**

A NATURE RESEARCH AWARD IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MERCK

**Deadline extended: Apply by 14th December**

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## The Spinoff Prize

The Spinoff Prize has been established by Nature Research in partnership with Merck to showcase and celebrate global excellence in the commercialisation of research, through the creation of spinoff companies.

[Read more](#)

[www.nature.com](http://www.nature.com)



## Call for Proposals: Ontario Agri-food Research Initiative

The Ontario Agri-food Research Initiative is a grant available to help eligible organizations fund agri-food research projects. Deadline is January 8, 2021.

[Read more](#)

[www.ontario.ca](http://www.ontario.ca)

## Innovation for Defence Excellence and Security (IDEaS)

Our new Competitive Projects challenges have launched! Find new ways to support our troops with your logistics solutions, new armour designs and visual and data security.

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[www.canada.ca](http://www.canada.ca)

## University Research Awards | Imperial

Awards for specific research projects are made to full-time faculty members to support research work carried out by university students under their direction. University Research Awards

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The Digital Technology Supercluster is now accepting ideas in our Cycle 4 Technology Leadership Program. We are seeking big, ambitious projects that will help solve some of the world's biggest challenges.

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## COVID-19 Funding Opportunities

Find funding opportunities related to COVID-19 and more on Pivot, a research funding database and more. Everyone with a UWindsor account has free access to Pivot. To register, visit the [Pivot](#) website, and log in using your institutional credentials.

## Funding Agencies

