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Events & Webinars



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New Mount Saint Vincent Will Open In September

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MSVU Research Office Events

November 15th, 12:00-1:00 AST Black and Indigenous Speaker Series featuring Dr. Barb Hamilton-Hinch

Have you registered for the Fall 2023 Black and Indigenous Speaker Series yet? Dr. Barb Hamilton-Hinch, Assistant Vice Provost of Equity and Inclusion and Associate Professor in the School of Health and Human Performance at Dalhousie University will be providing a talk on "Leading from a Race Conscious Lens."

Barb Hamilton-Hinch's presentation will explore the importance of a race conscious lens in the awakening of the Black Lives Matter Movement in academia and leadership. She will explore the invisibility and importance of people of African descent, particularly African Nova Scotians in education from preschool to post secondary and the impact of a race evasive lens. She will explore the importance of leadership positions that challenge white heteronormativity. Participants will walk away with a better understanding of the importance of recognizing the lived experiences of people of African descent.

To register, please email speakerseries@msvu.ca! Share this information widely, all are welcome

November 24th, 9:00-2:00 AST From Theory to Action: MSVU 150th Anniversary Student **Research Symposium**

The Mount Saint Vincent University Research Office and Students Union invite you to attend our upcoming event, From Theory to Action: MSVU 150th Anniversary Student Research Symposium on November 24th. Join us in McCain Centre room 105/06 or via MS Teams for a celebration of the

outstanding research conducted by MSVU students. This half-day event will feature a diverse range of research presentations, and keynote speeches, all highlighting the long history of research excellence and innovation across different disciplines. Please share this information widely, this event is open to the public.

Register for this event!

• November 27th, 12:00-1:00 AST Research Partnership Information Session

Faculty are invited to join Kevin Buchan (Director) and Danielle Goodfellow (Industry Liaison Officer) with the Industry Liaison Office to learn how they help build partnerships between faculty at Mount Saint Vincent University and external partners (businesses, non-profits, government, and community groups) and what services they provide to the Mounts research community. This session will be held on Monday, November 27 from 12:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in McCain Centre room 106.

Please RSVP to danielle.goodfellow@smu.ca if you will be attending. Kindly include if you have any food allergies or dietary restrictions in your reply.

• December 8th 10:00-11:30 AST Research Celebration

Help us celebrate your research! Join us December 8th from 10:00-11:30 in the McCain Atrium for this Research Celebration event, we will be assembling a slideshow presentation featuring faculty research highlights. If you are interested in adding your research highlights, please submit your information via our <u>submission form</u>. Researchers are welcome to list any research achievements or research successes that have occurred in 2022 and 2023 (e.g., publications, successful grants, research awards, a special research project, or any other research successes you would like to share with your colleagues).

RSVP by contacting elisabeth.heroux-rhymes@msvu.ca

Other MSVU Events

• November 6 & 8 from 9:00-12:30 AST Introductory MAXQDA training: A 2-part workshop:

On Monday and Wednesday morning, **Nov 6 and 8**, from **9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** each day, Dr. Áine Humble will conduct an introductory workshop on MAXQDA software (version 2022, see <u>www.maxqda.com</u>) for qualitative data analysis to a maximum of 15 participants. This workshop will be presented in person in Seton 329, with the option to join via Microsoft Teams, and a training manual will be provided. This workshop is open to MSVU faculty, graduate students, and staff who are working on qualitative research projects.

Find more information here

RSVP to aine.humble@msvu.ca

• November 8th 2:00-3:00 AST Tyshan Wright: Maroon Town at MSVU Art Galler- Artist Talk

All are invited to join artist Tyshan Wright on Wednesday, November 8 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. for an informal presentation about his work on view in the exhibition *Maroon Town*. The immersive exhibit runs from September 23 – December 9. Please contact art.gallery@msvu.ca by November 1 with any access needs, requests or inquiries.

• November 15th 1:00-3:00 AST Crochet "Dong-a-Long"

The MSVU library is pleased to be hosting another "Dong-a-Long" event to make gender-affirming products. Materials and instructions are provided! This event is kindly sponsored by the Office of Student Experience, The Pride Centre, and The Loop.

Where: MacDonald Room When: November 15th from 1-3 p.m.

What are gender-affirming products? Gender-affirming products are products that allow a person to change their appearance in order to match their gender expression. Things such as packers, binders, and tucking underwear are gender-affirming products. These products can be expensive and may not be accessible for people who need them. This workshop aims to provide support and products to members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community who need access to these life changing products.

• November 20th, 9am - 2pm AST, Emerging Leaders of the Americas Mission

Are you interested in participating in the Emerging Leaders of the Americas Collaboration Mission? During the Collaboration Mission, a group of up to fifteen delegates from Caribbean and Latin American institutions are invited to Canada to visit universities and colleges, meet with their representatives and participate in networking events. We hope that participation in the Collaboration Mission will result in formal partnerships between Canadian and Caribbean and Latin American institutions that lead to **increased bilateral mobility and research opportunities**.

The Collaboration Mission is a key feature of the Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program (ELAP), a short-term student exchange program that provides scholarships for students from the Caribbean and Latin America for studies or research in Canadian post-secondary institutions. ELAP is offered under the Global Affairs Canada International Scholarships Program. The delegation will be at MSVU on November 20th from 9:00am-12:00pm.

Confirm your interest in participating!

External Events

• November 9th 2:00 EST Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) Information Webinar

Global Affairs Canada launched the 2024-2025 Faculty Mobility for Partnership Building Program (FMPBP) competition. This program, which is accepting applications until **December 5, 2023** at 11:59pm EST, provides full-time faculty at Canadian post-secondary institutions with opportunities to create or expand partnerships with Latin American and Caribbean institutions through short-term teaching and/or research activities.

As the scholarship administrator for the program, CBIE will be offering representatives from **Canadian institutions** an informational webinar in English on **November 9, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. EST**.

During this session, CBIE will provide:

- an overview of the FMPB Program;
- tips for submitting successful applications; and
- answers to Canadian post-secondary institutions' general questions about this grant opportunity.

Learn more about this opportunity.

Register for this event!

• November 12-14 AST, Canadian Cancer Research Conference (CCRC)

The CCRC brings together the Canadian cancer research community spanning the research spectrum to provide an opportunity for networking and cross-fertilization between disciplines. The conference is November 12-14 in Halifax!

Register for this event!

• November 28, 2:00pm EST, Canada Foundation for Innovation, Future You: How to build a career in environmental sustainability — November webinar

Thinking of a career in clean energy? Remediation? Wildlife conservation? With an education in STEAM, you have so many exciting options! Get inspired by hearing what recent graduates have to say about the careers they've chosen as consultants, entrepreneurs, researchers and everything in between. Find out about their ups and downs, learn from their vast experience, get career tips and leave with a clearer vision for your future career. In this session you'll hear from Nina Dmytrenko, a green homes expert, Michelle D'Souza, a biodiversity specialist for big business, Alan Lee, an agriculture lab manager, and Graham Van Every, a sustainable consulting analyst.

Bonus, you could also win an iPad Pro just for attending! Learn about the contest details.

Register for this event!

• November 29th, 2:00-4:00 CIHR Institute of Gender and Health (IGH) Listening Tour!

Atlantic Canada health research community: you're invited to share your views to advance sex and gender science at the CIHR Institute of Gender and Health (IGH) Listening Tour! This event is open to researchers at any stage of their career, as well as trainees, health care professionals, clinician-scientists, community organizations, community partners, individuals with lived and living experience navigating healthcare systems, and anyone else with an interest in sex and gender science or health equity.

Those who cannot attend a Listening Tour event are encouraged to share their insights through this <u>online survey</u>.

Register for this event!

• March 8th 9:00-4:00 AST Saint Mary's University Refugee Symposium

The SMU-WUSC Student Local Committee, in conjunction with SMU International Student Centre, is hosting a Refugee Symposium to promote awareness about forced migration, asylum seekers and refugee issues. This refugee symposium will take place on Friday, March 8, 2024 from 9am to 4pm @ Sobey Scotiabank Theatre, Saint Mary's University. The theme of the symposium is **Hope Away From Home: A World Where Refugees Are Always Included.**

They are looking for free keynote speakers for 30-40 minutes presentations (plus 15 minutes for questions) on the following issues as they relate to forced migration:

- Women's and children's issues (as it relates asylum seekers and refugees).
- Food security, forced migration and hunger.
- Access to education (as it relates asylum seekers and refugees).

- Current Canadian/international asylum seeker/refugee laws and mechanisms and their impact on asylum seekers/refugees. Are the current international/Canadian asylum seeker/refugee laws working? Are they protecting or hurting refugees? Are the current international/Canadian responses to refugee crisis working?
- Family reunification (as it relates asylum seekers and refugees).
- LGTBQ asylum seeker/refugees dilemmas, challenges, and marginalization.
- Mental health and asylum seekers/refugees.
- Environmental degradation and natural disaster and its impact on forced migration.
- Forced migration global trends.
- Economic globalization and economic integration and its ramifications on asylum seekers/refugees (e.g., slave labour).
- Economic impact of forced migration.
- Asylum Seekers/Refugees and Religion.
- The media and asylum seekers/refugees (The media and its impact on asylum seekers/refugees. How social media affects our perceptions of asylum seekers/refugees. Does the media play a role in dehumanizing asylum seekers/refuges?)
- Challenges faced by asylum seekers and refugees in Nova Scotia/Canada and the services and support available.
- Are our police forces properly trained to understand, and appropriately and impartially interact with refugees and asylum seeker?

If you (or your colleagues) are currently doing research or doing a project on any of the above topics, or your organization works with asylum seekers or refugees, please complete the <u>Keynote Speaker</u> Online Form (application deadline: December 31, 2023).

Funding Opportunities



Internal Grants Read more about internal grants, including instructions and the application forms.

Read more about CRP Policies, Standard Operating Procedures, and adjudication matrices.

December 1

- President's Award for Research Excellence
- Early Career Research Award
- Tri-Agency USRAs (Winter Term, **if applicable**): NSERC USRA, CIHR and SSHRC USRA Designated Awards

Open Submission

- New Scholar's Grant
- Assistance to Prepare a Large-Scale Collaborative Grant

NOTES:

- To request an extension, please contact research@msvu.ca.
- If the posted deadline for internal competitions falls on a weekend or holiday, the **next** business day shall be the official deadline.
- NSERC USRA's are valued at \$6,000, supervising faculty are responsible for securing funding for USRA salaries for the outstanding amount

• Also, a gentle reminder to please use the latest version of the Internal Grant forms when completing an application.

Tri-Agency Funding Opportunities:

CIHR

Upcoming Opportunities:

Canadian Brain Health and Cognitive Impairment in Aging Research Knowledge Mobilization (KM) Hub

Evaluation of Programs, Services and Innovative Models of Care for People Impacted by Dementia

CIHR Pan-Canadian Network for HIV/AIDS and STBBI Clinical Trials Research

For a comprehensive list of current CIHR funding opportunities, please click on the following link: <u>ResearchNet</u> or the CIHR website: <u>Upcoming funding opportunities - CIHR (cihr-irsc.gc.ca)</u>

Current Opportunities:

• November Application Deadline:

Team Grant: Strengthening the Health Workforce for System Transformation

*Registration/LOI Deadline: 10/5/2023

SSHRC

SSHRC - Current Opportunities

• November Application Deadline:

Connection Grants

Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships

Partnership Development Grants

Imagining Canada's Future Ideas Lab: Global Health and Wellness in the 21st Century—Stage 2

• December Application Deadline:

Canada Graduate Scholarships—Master's Program

Partnership Engage Grants

• February Application Deadline:

Connection Grants

Insight Development Grants Partnership Grants—Stage 1

• March Application Deadline:

Partnership Engage Grants

• April Application Deadline:

SSHRC Impact Awards

NSERC

• November Application Deadline

Discovery Grants - Northern Research Supplements Program (NRS)

DND/NSERC Discovery Grant Supplements

NSERC Awards for Science Promotion - Individual (NASPI)

NSERC Awards for Science Promotion - Organization (NASPO)

Brockhouse Canada Prize for Interdisciplinary Research in Science and Engineering

Gerhard Herzberg Canada Gold Medal for Science and Engineering

NSERC Donna Strickland Prize for Societal Impact of Natural Sciences and Engineering Research

NSERC John C. Polanyi Award

• December Application Deadline

Arthur B. McDonald Fellowship

• January Application Deadline

College and Community Innovation Program – Technology Access Centre grants

*Registration Deadline 09/06/2023

• No Application Deadline

NSERC - Alliance International (nserc-crsng.gc.ca)

NSERC - Alliance Quantum grants (nserc-crsng.gc.ca)

NSERC Indigenous Student Ambassadors (NISA)

The call for nominations is now open for all NSERC Prizes

Nominations are now being accepted for all NSERC Prizes as per their new competition cycle. The deadlines to submit a nomination for each of the Prizes are as follows:



Other External Funding Opportunities:

Queen's University Grant Funding Database

Queen's University has developed a searchable funding database of grants that are available to the public. Able to be searched by discipline and deadline, this website showcases 300+ available funding opportunities for those in Canada.

Read more on Queen's University webpage.

SSHRC-PHAC joint initiative

The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), in partnership with SSHRC, has launched the new Partnership Engage Grants joint initiative, entitled "Advancing Socio-Economic Research for Evidence-Informed Public Health Decision-Making", to identify and advance socio-economic research for evidence-based public health decision-making on selected public health priority topics in Canada.

The joint initiative provides short-term and timely support for partnered research activities that will inform public health decision-making and are grouped under 6 broad categories with specific research themes in each category. Applicants are required to apply to 1 of the 12 specific themes.

The Partnership Engage Grants funded through this joint initiative will be valued at \$7000 to \$25,000 for 1 year, and PHAC aims to fund up to 12 grants. SSHRC will administer the funding opportunity and will work with PHAC to promote the funding opportunity to researchers in all fields.

For more information about this funding opportunity, including application instructions, please visit the <u>PHAC website</u>.

Application deadline: December 15.

Global Affairs Canada 2024-2025 Faculty Mobility for Partnership Building Program (FMPBP)

Global Affairs Canada has launched the 2024-2025 Faculty Mobility for Partnership Building Program (FMPBP) competition. This program offers grants to full-time Canadian faculty for short-term teaching and/or research activities in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Canadian postsecondary institutions must apply on behalf of eligible candidates using the My EduCanada portal by **December 5, 2023 at 11:59 pm EST**.

For application details, please consult the <u>FMPBP</u> guidelines.

All inquiries about this program should be directed to <u>scholarships-info-</u> <u>bourses@international.gc.ca</u> or 613-237-4820. Questions can also be directed to global@msvu.ca.

Research Networks Of Excellence In Women's Heart and/or Brain Health

Heart & Stroke, along with the Canadian Institutes of Health Research-Institute of Gender and Health (IGH), has announced the launch of a new funding competition, the Research Networks of Excellence in Women's Heart and/or Brain Health.

This funding competition will support the development of two (2) new research networks in Canada, dedicated to women's heart and/or brain health.

Registration deadline is November 30, 2023.

Learn more about this opportunity!

Call for applications to the Immunization Partnership Fund

As part of the Government of Canada's ongoing efforts to address vaccine hesitancy, increase vaccine uptake, reduce disparities in vaccination coverage and combat the spread of vaccine-related misinformation and disinformation, the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) has launched a <u>funding opportunity</u> with the Immunization Partnership Fund (IPF).

This process is competitive. Successful applicants will be provided funding for projects that aim to increase confidence in and uptake of vaccinations, particularly among certain priority populations.

These populations include those who face greater barriers to vaccination, higher rates of vaccine hesitancy, or increased susceptibility to serious illness associated with vaccine preventable diseases.

The IPF welcomes a wide range of organizations to apply, such as local community-based organizations and health centres, health professional organizations, Indigenous and ethnocultural organizations, municipalities and public health authorities, provinces, territories and organizations with national and/or regional reach.

Key <u>eligibility and application requirements</u> and details on how to apply can be found on the <u>Call for</u> <u>Applications website</u>.

Letter of Intent: 2:00pm EST, November 10, 2023.

Full application deadline: 2:00pm EST, January 31st

Canadian Cancer Society Workplace Cancer Research Grants: Preventing Occupational Cancers

CCS Workplace Cancer Research Grants of up to \$200k over 2 years are available to support gamechanging cancer research that will uncover new knowledge and fill existing gaps to drive riskreduction and cancer prevention efforts for workers in Canada.

Abstract registrations due November 9, 2023

Full application due February 1st, 2024

Learn more about this program!

Call for Proposals: Critical Minerals Research

<u>Canada's Critical Minerals Strategy</u> was released in December 2022 with the intent of continuing to provide foundational support to Canada's mining sector to take advantage of existing and emerging opportunities. Alliance Missions grants are intended to provide support for research activities that will advance Canadian knowledge, models, processes, tools and technologies, and/or develop efficient options to advance a domestic circular economy, and/or support the development of best practices in technology, innovation and collaborative ventures.

• Value and duration:

\$100,000-\$500,000 per year

Three years

• Deadlines:

Letter of Intent: September 7, 2023, 8 p.m. (ET)

Application deadline: November 9, 2023, 8 p.m. (ET)

The 2024 Annual Resource Allocation opens on September 26

On September 26, 2023, the Alliance Federation will launch its annual <u>Resource Allocation</u> <u>Competition (RAC)</u>, a peer-reviewed process to grant priority access to compute, storage and cloud resources beyond what can be obtained via the Rapid Access Service.

Competition closes November 7.

Important:

- The minimum amount of resources to apply for RAC have changed. Please read the <u>RAC</u> <u>competition guide</u> carefully for more details.
- The resources available via the <u>Rapid Access Service</u> (RAS) will also change starting April 1, 2024.
- If you are applying for the first time, we strongly encourage you to schedule a presubmission consultation before October 31, 2023. Go to the *Questions and Additional information* in the <u>RAC application guide</u> for contact details.
- Significant changes about the way that GPU resources are requested, allocated and charged will be implemented starting April 1, 2024. If you are planning to request GPU resources, please attend one of the GPU information sessions in October (see details below).
- Please mark <u>noreply@alliancecan.ca</u> as a safe sender in your email client to make sure that important communications from the Alliance do not go into your spam folder.

Looking to participate in information sessions? Please email <u>allocations@tech.alliancecan.ca</u>.

Mobilizing Insights in Defence and Security (MINDS) Program

The Mobilizing Insights in Defence and Security (MINDS) Program at the Department of National Defence (DND) is dedicated to promoting collaboration between DND and the external expert community, including academia, and support researchers and students in their pursuit of knowledge and innovation, to inform defence policy as well as national and public discussions in the areas of defence and security.

These opportunities are open to researchers, and students, intended to foster a community of scholars dedicated to advancing research and thinking in defence and security.

- The <u>MINDS-SSHRC joint scholarship initiative</u> offers a range of scholarships and fellowships designed to support research talent, including among Indigenous students. Multi-year funding is available for Doctoral (\$35,000 per year) and Post-Doctoral students (\$45,000 per year), with award supplements for Master's students (\$10,000). Full, one-year Master's awards are available for Indigenous students whose studies relate to defence and security (\$17,500). We encourage interested students to find further details on these scholarships by visiting the official SSHRC website at: <u>https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/dnd-minds-eng.aspx</u>
- Our <u>Targeted Engagement Grants</u> present an opportunity for researchers to receive non-recurring financial support of **up to \$50,000**, enabling them to pursue impactful projects, such as conferences, workshops and research papers. More comprehensive information on Targeted Engagement Grants can be found <u>here</u>.
- Additionally, the <u>Young MINDS Grant</u> provides up to \$10,000 in financial support for currently enrolled undergraduate and Master's students undertaking research projects in defence and security.

Knowledge Synthesis and Mobilization Grants in Brain Health and Aging

CIHR is launching this funding opportunity to support the development of knowledge syntheses. Using an equity, diversity and inclusion lens, to assess the current state of knowledge and evidence base, and identify strengths and gaps in research areas related to the promotion of brain health and risk reduction for age-related cognitive impairment. Within this competition, IGH is supporting a pool on sex and gender differences.

Funds Available: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$2.0M, enough to fund approximately twenty (20) grants. The maximum amount per grant is \$100,000 per year, for one (1) year. Of the \$2.0M, \$100,000 is available from the Sex and Gender Differences pool to fund one (1) project.

View full details.

Mitacs

Mitacs powers research & development creation by connecting private sector with the best postsecondary institutions to solve organizational challenges — in Canada and internationally. For 20 years, Mitacs has funded cutting-edge research, created job opportunities for graduate students and helped companies reach their goals, achieving results that have bolstered the Canadian economy and impact.

Get in touch with Mitacs

Read more about Mitacs

MHRC-MITACS Indigenous Mental Health Studentships

Mental Health Research Canada (MHRC) has partnered with Mitacs to co-fund its third annual Indigenous Studentships. This \$15,000 funding opportunity aims to support projects dedicated to minimizing the gaps in Indigenous mental health and improving service delivery in Indigenous communities.

Application deadline is November 30, 2023

Learn more about this funding opportunity!

New opportunity — call for proposals:

1. Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) (Japan-travel from Canada)

- Dates: October 18 to November 30, 2023
- Level: Full-time master's and PhD students and postdoctoral fellows
- Themes: All disciplines
- Other requirements: Participants must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada
- Eligible institutions: All universities and research institutes in Japan based on JSPS projects
- Co-funding: No financial contribution is required from the Canadian institution
- Award amount: \$3,000 CAD + 534,000 yen + flight costs
- Duration and time of internship: 9 weeks mid-June to mid-August 2024

• Application process and submission: Submit to Mitacs through the local Mitacs Advisor

Note: for this call, applicants are asked to use the old application forms. Please contact <u>research@msvu.ca</u> for the full package.

Read the full call!

Updates to Mitacs Globalink Research Award (GRA) program: Call for proposals

New opportunity — open all year:

1. Aix-Marseille Université (France — travel to Canada and/or travel from Canada)

- Dates: open all year
- Level: Travel to Canada: full-time master's and PhD students or postdoctoral fellows; Travel from Canada: full-time senior undergraduate, master's and PhD students, or postdoctoral fellows
- Themes: All disciplines
- Other requirements: N/A
- Eligible institutions: Aix-Marseille Université
- Co-funding: No financial contribution is required from the Canadian institution
- Award amount: \$6,000
- Application process and submission: Submit to Mitacs through the local Mitacs Advisor

<u>Mitacs Elevate</u> is now accepting proposals **all year round** to unlock more opportunities and flexibility for postdoc researchers across the globe! PLUS, one-year proposals are now accepted for a standard **\$60,000 award** and projects are open to all disciplines.

The Globalink Research Award (GRA) thematic call is now officially open!

Here's the two-step application process for professors:

- Fill out the eligibility form and get in touch with a Mitacs advisor
- After clearing the eligibility check, apply through **the GRA application portal**: link will be shared after the eligibility form is completed

Eligible international partners are in the following countries and regions: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, France, Germany, India, Japan, Korea, Mexico, South Africa, Taiwan, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom (new partnership)

The deadline to apply is **November 17, 2023**.

Change Lab Action Research CLARI

CLARI supports local research partnerships between community partners and faculty/ student researchers. We do this by connecting communities to expertise in our partner institutions and enabling collaboration through our grant funding.

Get in touch with CLARI

Read more about CLARI

Research Nova Scotia

Research Nova Scotia supports, organizes, and coordinates research. With the curiosity to imagine a better world, and the determination to make it real, we champion the people and resources needed to improve the lives of Nova Scotians.

NOTE: Research Nova Scotia has sent us stickers of their new logo for equipment purchased with RNS matching funds. If you have RNS funded equipment, come by the Research Office (EVR 223) to pick up your sticker.

Contact RNS

Read more about RNS

LUNGSNSPEI Legacy Research Grant

The Legacy Research Grant is intended to promote innovative research, capacity-building and knowledge translation initiatives designed to improve the way healthcare services are organized, regulated, managed, financed, paid for, used and delivered, in the interest of improving the health and quality of life of people with respiratory disease.

This year, LUNGNSPEI is thrilled to announce that they are offering up to \$70,000 in grant money, with a continued partnership with Research Nova Scotia.

Application deadline is November 10, 2023

Learn more about this funding opportunity!

Industry Liaison Office

The Industry Liaison Office (ILO) facilitates research relationships between faculty members and government departments, private companies industrial associations and international agencies.

The ILO fosters and supports **joint research initiatives**, assists faculty in research contract development, intellectual property protection and private sector sponsorship. We also establish collaborations between researchers and external partners and license technologies to industry. Mount Saint Vincent University is a member of <u>Springboard Atlantic</u>, a regional commercialization and industry liaison network.

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Industry Liaison Officer

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Director

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<u>oice@msvu.ca</u>

Announcements



Call for MSVU Dimensions Chair

The MSVU Dimensions Committee is looking for a Chair starting in January 2024.

As of April, MSVU was named a member of the Dimensions program which publicly recognize postsecondary institutions seeking to increase equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) in their environments and across the research ecosystem.

The Dimensions Committee will meet monthly throughout the academic year to discuss how to continue to move this initiative forward, specifically the actions within our Dimensions Application.

If you are interested, please let elisabeth.heroux-rhymes@msvu.ca know!

Call for Nominations: Diversity & Inclusion Leadership Award and President's Awards

Nominations are now open for the Diversity & Inclusion Leadership Award and President's Awards for Service. MSVU is home to countless amazing faculty and staff, and is asking for your help in putting a much-deserved spotlight on them by nominating them for one of these leadership and service awards. Nominations can be made by individuals or groups; collaboration is encouraged. Past nominations are also welcome for re-submission. The nomination deadline is **December 1, 2023**. Questions about these awards can be directed to <u>Human.Resources@msvu.ca</u>.

Read more about the nomination & submission process.

On-campus Flu Vaccine Clinic - November 15

The flu vaccine clinic is being **expanded** to include faculty and staff in addition to students. The clinic is being held on **November 15 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** in the Rosaria MPR.

Vaccines will be administered on a first come, first served basis until they run out. Please bring your health card.

Research Nova Scotia Peer Review Observer Program

The Peer Review Observer Program is a Competitive Edge Initiative session which gives students and early career researchers the opportunity to attend a review committee meeting and learn more about the process and what reviewers expect in a research funding application.

This year's program will allow participants to virtually observe the New Health Investigator Grant Health Policy and Services peer review committee meeting(s) taking place on the afternoons of November 15, 17 and 27.

Registration deadline: November 3, 2023

Learn more about this program and sign up!

Call for Presentations: Research Over Coffee

Are you an expert researcher in a topic of interest to Nova Scotians? Does your work grapple with issues confronting municipal, provincial, or federal governments? Research Nova Scotia (RNS) wants to hear from you! RNS is seeking interested academics for their 2023-24 Research Over Coffee series.

Research Nova Scotia and Dalhousie University launched the webinar series Research Over Coffee in 2020 to enable Nova Scotia researchers to share their expertise on pressing issues with government decision makers. The audience is typically 30 to 60 people, and has included elected municipal, provincial and federal representatives; senators; deputy ministers and senior public service staff, and academic VPs from across Nova Scotia.

If you're interested in presenting your research to government stakeholders, please send a 250word overview of your presentation to <u>stephanie.reid@researchns.ca</u>.

Robbins-Ollivier Award for Excellence in Equity Call for Nominations

Awarded through the tri-agency Canada Research Chairs Program (CRCP), the award recognizes the significant and impactful contributions that Marjorie Griffin Cohen, Louise Forsyth, Glenis Joyce, Audrey Kobayashi, Shree Mulay, Susan Prentice, Michèle Ollivier and Wendy Robbins have made to increase the level of equity in the CRCP and Canada's research ecosystem more broadly, by way of their 2003 Canadian Human Rights complaints and their concerted efforts in the mediation processes, which led to both the 2006 Settlement Agreement and its addendum in 2019. The award recognizes the contributions of the entire group, while being named after the late Michèle Ollivier and Wendy Robbins, who passed away in 2010 and 2017, respectively, prior to the signing of the 2019 Addendum.

For additional information on the award including its objectives, the award value, eligibility and how to apply, please see the following link:

Robbins-Ollivier Award for Excellence in Equity (chairs-chaires.gc.ca)

The deadline to submit nominations is November 7, 2023, 8:00 pm (eastern).

Troubleshooting/Additional Questions?

Please send an email to information@chairs-chaires.gc.ca

In-House Researcher Expertise Database

To better connect MSVU researchers with media inquiries, the Research Office maintains a comprehensive database of our in-house researcher expertise. Please take a moment to fill out this brief form regarding your research interest and expertise (MSVU sign-in required), and contact research@msvu.ca if you have any questions.

Researcher Database Form

Call for Nominations, Black and Indigenous Speaker Series

MSVU is accepting nominations for the Black and Indigenous Speaker Series.

Speakers nominated for the series should:

- Identify as Black, Indigenous (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) or Aboriginal.
- Be an active contributor to an academic discipline or professional field.
- Affiliated with an academic institution, research institution, or college.

To complete the nomination form, <u>click here</u>. Any related questions can be directed to <u>speakerseries@msvu.ca</u>

More information

Global Excellence Initiative- Universities Canada

Launched in 2012 by former Governor General of Canada David Johnston, the Global Excellence Initiative promotes the recognition of Canadian research talent on the international stage by identifying and offering assistance to meritorious candidates for prestigious national and international awards.

Universities Canada has managed the initiative since October 1, 2017.

Universities Canada's support for universities, hospitals, research institutes and corporate and government laboratories to raise the profile of their top researchers, also includes:

- Offering two up-to-date inventories of prestigious national and international research awards; <u>Canadian inventoryInternational inventory</u>
- Supporting organizations in <u>building compelling dossiers</u> on their candidates during the application process for research awards;
- Coordinating external reviews of candidates' nomination dossiers; and
- Proposing a path to success for researchers.

Global Excellence Initiative Brochure

Tri-Agency Interdisciplinary Peer Review Committee

In May 2021, the three federal granting agencies – the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) - launched the Tri-Agency Interdisciplinary Peer Review Committee (TAIPR) as a one-year pilot program. Applications were submitted to the committee via four participating Gateway Funding Opportunities: SSHRC Insight Grants, CIHR Fall and Spring Project Grant, and NSERC Discovery Horizons.

SSHRC is now pleased to announce that a fifth funding opportunity has been added to the pilot. Researchers applying to the SSHRC Insight Development Grants 2023 competition may now also direct their proposals to the Tri-Agency Interdisciplinary Peer Review Committee for review.

After a successful inaugural year, the agencies announced on May 12, 2022, that the pilot was officially extended for a second year. The first TAIPR Committee consisted of 36 interdisciplinary researchers who met over four sessions and adjudicated 106 applications: 16 Insight Grants, 14 Fall 2021 and 21 Spring 2022 Project Grants, and 55 Discovery Horizons projects. A total of 24 interdisciplinary projects were funded: 7 Insight Grants, 3 Fall 2021 and 4 Spring 2022 Project Grants, and 10 Discovery Horizons grants.

For further information please visit the committee webpage Tri-Agency Interdisciplinary Peer Review Committee - CIHR (<u>cihr-irsc.gc.ca</u>)

Implementing Positive Change for Indigenous Peoples - SPOR Support Unit

Hotil ts'eeda (pronounced "ho-tee-tsay-dah") is the SPOR SUPPORT Unit in the Northwest Territories. Hosted by the Tłįchǫ Government, the SUPPORT Unit connects organizations and communities throughout the territory to achieve health research and training goals. Through an innovative project called <u>Ełet'ànits'epah</u> (pronounced "e-klet-a-neet-see-yah"), which means drawing on collective strength in the First Nations Tłįchǫ language, the SUPPORT Unit team is engaging Indigenous communities in a conversation about how to implement the United Nations Declaration of Rights for Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) with a focus on promoting health and wellness.

For more information, visit <u>https://cihr-irsc.qc.ca/e/53136.html</u>.

Nova Scotia Forestry Economic Task Force

The NSFETF is currently in a knowledge gathering phase and is looking for support to better understand the 'social license' that the forestry sector works from. That is to say, what is the public sentiment(s) that drives the various positions regarding forestry practices in Nova Scotia. For more information, visit <u>https://nsfetf.com/</u> or see the attached information.

To learn more, please contact <u>Ray.MacNeil@smu.ca</u>.

CIHR French Peer Review Opportunities

If you or someone you know can peer review applications in French, we hope you'll consider joining or nominating someone for the CIHR College of Reviewers.

All peer reviewers are welcome, but CIHR has a particular need for clinician scientists and experts in the following areas:

- Cancer
- Cardiovascular, respiratory and circulatory systems
- Digestive, endocrine and excretory systems
- Health services and systems
- Indigenous health
- Methods development and modelling
- Population and health

Read more about CIHR French Peer Review

Please see the below message from the CIHR Program Design and Delivery team:

"We are seeking peer reviewers for the <u>CIHR Research Excellence, Diversity and Independence (REDI)</u> <u>Early Career Transition Award</u> funding competition.

We know you are busy, but we hope you will consider participating in this important process—or sharing this call-out with a colleague who you think may be interested. We are aiming to put together a diverse peer review committee for this competition, including but not limited to French speakers, racialized women, and Black people.

As for the qualifications needed, we are looking for reviewers who have experience with writing grants and with peer review, have knowledge of CIHR's mandate, and hold an academic/professional appointment.

The committee meeting will be held for three days during the week of July 17th. Exact dates are to be determined. If you are interested in participating, please email your CV to <u>REDI-EDIR@cihr-irsc.gc.ca</u>.

Research Data Management



RDM at MSVU

Mount Saint Vincent University (MSVU) is committed to meeting the challenges and opportunities involved in the responsible and effective management of research data. The University recognizes the central role of data in research, as data not only represents the outcome

of research investigation but also provides a foundation for future research. The appropriate management of research data and facilitating appropriate access to that data form the basis of modern scholarship and discovery. Research data is an important asset that must be stewarded, protected, and appropriately safeguarded.

The RDM Working group finalized the **MSVU RDM Strategy** on February 9, 2023. To access this document, please click the following link: <u>Research Data Management Strategy</u>

To learn more, visit https://www.msvu.ca/research-at-the-mount/research-data-management-rdm/.

For questions on Research Data Management, contact sandra.sawchuk@msvu.ca.

SSHRC RDM Capacity Building Initiative Extension

SSHRC is extending the <u>Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative</u> to continue helping the Canadian social sciences and humanities research community better understand data management and incorporate data management considerations into research practices. This initiative will continue to fund at least ten meritorious <u>Connection Grants</u> proposals per competition to support the research community's development, adoption and dissemination of research data management standards, practices, tools and skills appropriate to their field. For more information, please contact SSHRC at <u>partnerships@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca</u>.

Innovative Solutions for Data Management Challenges: An Introduction to FRDR and Lunaris

On April 14, members of the Alliance's RDM team gave a webinar introducing Lunaris and highlighting features of the Federated Research Data Repository (FRDR). The webinar recording and

slides are available in English and French à <u>Innovative</u> <u>Solutions for Data Management Challenges</u>: <u>An Introduction to FRDR and Lunaris | Digital Research Alliance of Canada (alliancecan.ca)</u>

Research Management Online Survey

As part of a wider Nova Scotia Open Research project, members of the Visnea organization are askig for participants in a Research Management Online Survey. This <u>Online survey</u>, which should take no more than 20 minutes and can be anonymous, or participants can leave their email if they wish to be entered into a draw for one of the three \$50 Tim Hortons gift cards. Please feel free to share this with any colleagues in Nova Scotia. Any questions can be directed to m.pawlowska@visnea.org.

Qualitative Data Sharing (QDS) Toolkit

Looking for tips and tricks for qualitative data sharing? Check out this new Qualitative Data Sharing (QDS) Toolkit webpage. This page provides a map of the key steps and considerations for study planning, data collection and management, and depositing research data in a data repository. These resources will help overcome some common obstacles to qualitative data sharing and help you incorporate it into your project from the earliest stages.

View the full toolkit!

THE CONVERSATION

MSVU's The Conversation Membership

MSVU is a member of the publishing site, The Conversation. The Conversation Canada is a unique digital publication that combines academic and journalistic expertise – the result is a new style of journalism that also acts as a distinct form of knowledge mobilization. The Conversation Canada publishes in English and French and in 2021, its articles had more than 40 million views. The Research Office, the Library, and University Relations have formed a partnership for this initiative and following discussions with the CEO of The Conversation, Scott White, we have agreed to a 1-year trial membership. There will be training for faculty on how to best utilize the platform in the coming months.

Many of the funding partners of The Conversation say this form of public scholarship has helped raised the profile of academics, their research, and their universities among the general public, including those outside of their geographic region. The Conversation Canada has a large international readership in addition to its Canadian viewers.

Read more about The Conversation Canada

Not sure how to upload your research to The Conversation? We are here to support you!

Click on the following link to learn more about becoming an author for The Conversation, <u>Become an</u> <u>author - The Conversation</u>

Visit our Research News website to read our blog titled, Showcase Your Knowledge: How to Publish on The Conversation Canada! To do so, click the following link <u>https://researchcomms.wixsite.com/msvu-research-office</u>

MSVU Writing Centre Support

The MSVU Writing Centre offers weekly faculty one-to-one editorial support! These sessions take place in-person or online, on Fridays from September to April, and with wider flexibility between July and August. To book, contact clare.goulet@msvu.ca.

MSVU Articles in October:

- Dr. Philip Joy and Kinda Wassef, "Pup Play: Kink communities can help people build connections and improve their body image". <u>Read the full article.</u>
- Dr. Andrea Fraser, "Reading disabilities are a human rights issue Saskatchewan joins calls to address barriers". <u>Read the full article.</u>
- Dr. Meredith Ralston "Hak pekerja seks: hukum seharusnya tidak dibuat berdasarkan keyakinan moral pribadi". <u>Read the full article</u>.



Ressources & Tips

MSVU's EDIA Hub

The EDIA Hub is a central spot where all members of the MSVU community can learn about the equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility (EDIA) resources available at the university, as well as community and cultural resources available beyond MSVU.

For students, faculty and staff from historically underrepresented groups, the hub provides a safe space where you can access the resources you need to support your success at MSVU.

Learn more about the EDIA Hub.

The 50-30 Challenge

The 50-30 Challenge Team is proud to release several new resources to help build the capacity of organizations, including:

Resources to Recruit: Unlock the power of equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility in your organization.

Resources to Retain: Retain and nurture diverse talent for organizational success.

Resources to Include: Foster the growth and development of diverse talent within your organization.

You can now access additional tools from the What Works Toolkit, which includes:

- Comprehensive learning e-modules and microlearnings
- Templates, checklists, sample documents and more

Read more about all ressources available.

Sign up for the 50-30 Challenge mailing list!

New Canadian Institutes of Health Research ELearning Series

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) is pleased to announce the launch of its eLearning series for reviewers new to CIHR and to its peer review process.

This series is comprised of two eLearning modules. "Introduction to CIHR" will provide an overview of CIHR and its role as Canada's health research investment agency and "Peer Reviewer at CIHR" will highlight the fundamental elements of peer review at CIHR.

The first module, Introduction to CIHR, covers the following topics:

- CIHR's purpose and role in the Canadian health research landscape
- CIHR's values and commitments to Canadians in the context of our 2021-2031 Strategic Plan
- The purpose and role of the 13 Institutes
- The 4 pillars of health research at CIHR
- How CIHR provides funding support to health researchers

The second module, <u>Peer Review at CIHR</u>, covers the following topics:

- The importance and purpose of peer review
- CIHR's principles of peer review
- The expectations of a peer reviewer at CIHR
- The different roles within peer review

• The purpose and role of the College of Reviewers

The series was developed through feedback received from reviewers and in consultation with health researchers and internal stakeholders.

If you have any questions, please contact <u>college@cihr-irsc.gc.ca</u>.

CIHR Mock Peer Review Toolkit

A set of resources designed to support the planning and delivery of Mock Peer Review.

Who is the Toolkit for?

The Toolkit is intended to accommodate a wide range of audiences, from university administrators looking to host a mock peer review session at their institution, to trainees, such as PhDs and postdocs, looking to learn more about CIHR's peer review process. <u>College of Reviewers: Mock</u> <u>Review Toolkit – Project Grant Competition</u>

Launch of the new CIHR "Health Research Explained" Project

CIHR is very excited to launch the new "Health Research Explained" project as part of the new science communication activities. With this project, they are aiming to demonstrate the role and value of health research in fun and accessible ways.

The project includes:

- A fresh overview of <u>CIHR</u> and how <u>our funding works</u>;
- New web content to describe health research (and each pillar!) in plain language;

• More than 20 new research stories to showcase wonderful work happening across the country; and

• Infographics to highlight the importance of health research.

CIHR is planning to add new materials to this collection over time, so stay tuned for news about videos and additional content soon.

NSERC's Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Newest Resources

NSERC is taking action to help the natural sciences and engineering (NSE) research communities contribute to a more equitable, diverse and inclusive research enterprise, with the launch of the <u>NSERC guide on integrating equity, diversity and inclusion considerations in research</u>. The new guide is designed to assist NSE researchers with applying a critical equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) lens in their work by providing guiding questions and examples relevant to their field of research. It includes two main sections:

1. Guidance on embedding EDI considerations at each stage of the research process including: research questions, design of the study, methodology and data collection, analysis and interpretation and dissemination of results.

2. EDI considerations for research teams, including: building teams, recruitment and retention, and the roles of team members throughout the course of the research project.

Since 2019, Alliance applicants must include EDI considerations in their training plan. A dedicated <u>Alliance EDI resource</u> was recently updated to further expand on the expectations of this

mandatory evaluation criteria and provide applicants with examples of what concrete EDI best practices look like. Please contact <u>resgrant@nserc-crsng.gc.ca</u> or <u>alliance@nserc-crsng.gc.ca</u> with any questions.

EDI Video: Using Social Media to Recruit LGBT Research Participants

Two members of the MSVU community have been featured in this SAGE Research Methods Video Collection on Research Ethics and Integrity. Phillip Joy, assistant professor, and Catherine Littler, research assistant, Mount Saint Vincent University, discuss using social media to recruit LGBT research participants, including research design, ethical approval, data collection, challenges faced, lessons learned, and recommendations. View this video at <u>https://methods.sagepub.com/video/srmpromo/t6sgyb/using-social-media-to-recruit-lgbt-</u> research-participants.

Halifax Municipal Archives

Halifax Municipal Archives is the official repository for historical municipal government records from Halifax, Dartmouth, Bedford and the former County of Halifax, and also holds community records from the region. All researchers are welcome to view those records either here on-line, or through requests and visits to the Archives. *View archival material through the searchable online database at halifax.ca/archives or in person at 81 Ilsley Avenue, Unit 11, Dartmouth.* To book an appointment, email archives@halifax.ca or call 902-490-4643.

If you have specific items you would like to see listed, or any issues accessing these documents, please contact elisabeth.heroux-rhymes@msvu.ca!

- <u>Research and Special Projects Handbook</u>
- <u>Responsible Conduct of Research Policy</u>
 - MSVU Research Resources Intranet
- <u>National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships</u>

IT&S Cybersecurity Tips

Online Research Security Courses

Industry Canada provides three free research security courses called "Introduction to Research Security," "Cyber Security for Researchers," and "Safeguarding Research Partnerships with Open Source Due Diligence." Each course has a duration of approximately 30 to 40 minutes, and at the end of each you can download a certificate of completion. You can access the courses on <u>the Industry Canada Safeguarding Your Research website</u>.

You can also sign up for freee MSVU cybersecurity training!

Smashing Smishing: SMS Text Message Scams

When a scammer sends phishing texts, it's called "smishing" for "SMS phishing". A recent job scam on campus involved a web form that asked for your email address, password, and cell phone number. The scammers then logged into people's Office 365 accounts with the password, and then texted that person to ask for the multifactor authentication (MFA) code that Office 365 sent to their phone. With the password and the MFA code, the scammers could log into their Mount account, which they used to send more job scam and phishing emails. IT&S will never text you asking for your MFA codes. Your MFA codes are for your eyes only, so never share them with anyone. Smishing texts can have the same red flags as phishing emails. Learn more on our <u>website</u> or by taking our free <u>cybersecurity</u> <u>training course</u>.

One Phish, Two Phish, Three Phish

Emails that fish for your credit card number, SIN, or password are called "phishing". Recent phishing emails at MSVU claimed that you requested to terminate your account, and that if you didn't click a suspicious link to verify your account, then IT&S would terminate it. IT&S never sends threatening emails like this, and we never ask you to click account verification links. The link opened a web form asking for your email address, password, and cell phone number. Learn the red flags of phishing emails on our website or by taking our free cybersecurity training course.

Social Media Safety Tips

Social media sites like Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok are means of staying connected with friends and sources of entertainment, but they do come with some risk to your privacy. TikTok especially has been in the news lately, but this new <u>social media safety tips webpage</u> can apply to any social media site.

TikTok Note: Some Canadian governments and organizations have banned TikTok from being installed on their managed devices, including the governments of Nova Scotia and Canada. MSVU recognizes that departments do use TikTok for a variety of purposes. *It is recommended that you use TikTok through your web browser.* Please contact the <u>IT&S Help Desk</u> with any questions on using TikTok on MSVU devices.

Software Catalogue

Looking for software for your research? MSVU has many software applications available for use on MSVU and personal devices for students, faculty and staff. To visit the Software Catalogue section of our website, click the following link <u>Software Catalogue</u>.

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