

# JULY 2019– RESEARCH BULLETIN

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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### Launch of Canada-UK Artificial Intelligence Initiative

SSHRC has announced the launch of a new interdisciplinary and international funding opportunity between the three Canadian federal research funding agencies and four research councils from the UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

The Canadian agencies and UKRI are jointly supporting collaborations in Artificial Intelligence (AI) between stakeholders in Canada and the UK. The aim is to build competitive and resilient economies and maximize social and health benefits. Proposals will be required to demonstrate a significant degree of interdisciplinarity, with research that cuts across at least two of the following research domains:

- social sciences and humanities;
- health and biomedical sciences; and
- natural sciences and engineering.

The deadline for the submission of a brief Intention to Submit is **August 19, 2019 (11:00 p.m. BST / 6:00 p.m. Eastern)**.

For more information please click [here](#).

### Open Research Area (ORA) for the Social Sciences 2019

The call for proposals as part of the sixth call of the Open Research Area (ORA) has been announced. Proposals may be submitted in any area of the social sciences. All proposals for this call will be submitted through the ESRC's Joint Electronic Submissions system (Je-S). For detailed guidance on how to submit proposals please refer to the ORA Six Call Je-S Guidance for Applicants. Proposals may be submitted in any area of the social sciences.

Deadline for the submission of proposals is **16:00 (UK time) on September 11, 2019**. Proposals submitted after the deadline will not be accepted. An electronic acknowledgment will be sent to the Main Applicant and submitting organization.

Learn more about this opportunity [here](#).

A webinar for potential applicants will be held on July 3, 2019. The webinar will be open to participants from around the world and will provide information and guidance from the funders on the requirements of the call as well as an opportunity for questions and answers. To allow for different time zones we will be holding two identical webinars at 10:00 (UK time) and 15:00 (UK time), which will each last approximately one hour. Registration for the webinars will close on **21 June 2019**. Spaces will be limited, so we encourage you to register your interest early to avoid disappointment by emailing [oraqueries@esrc.ukri.org](mailto:oraqueries@esrc.ukri.org).

### Upcoming Webinars for New Frontiers in Research Fund - Exploration 2019

The 2019 Exploration Competition of the New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF) will be launched July 3rd. Webinars will be hosted for applicants and research administrators at each stage. Links will be available publicly on our website approximately one hour prior to the start time. The NOI stage webinars for applicants will be at the following dates and times (all times are eastern):

July 9	1pm-3pm	English
July 10	10am-12pm	French
July 15	1pm-3pm	French
July 17	10am-12pm	English

For more information, please contact [nfrf-fnfr@chairs-chaire.gc.ca](mailto:nfrf-fnfr@chairs-chaire.gc.ca).

## CALLS FOR PAPERS AND APPLICATIONS

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### Call for Presentation Proposals: Canadian Domestic Violence Conference

The Canadian Domestic Violence Conference 6 is a national showcase of ground-breaking grassroots initiatives that address intimate partner violence. This call for presentation proposals is for those working in the grassroots domestic violence movement: women's shelters, women's centres, Partner Assault Response (PAR) programs, men's treatment programs, family therapists, restorative justice facilitators, police, probation offices, crown prosecutors, judges, victim services officers, children mental health workers, child protection workers, addiction counselors, health care workers, clergy, educators and others engaged in direct service. Presentation proposals are also welcome from academics and government policymakers.

The CDVC6 committee is feminist, welcomes sharing diverse ideas, and selects presentations on the basis of the quality of the presentation proposal. Proposals can be accepted on their [website](#).

## EVENTS

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### The Effective Successful Happy Academic

The MSVU Research Office is hosting workshops on **August 23, 2019**, featuring presentations from Bailey Sousa and Alex Clarke, the authors of the "How to be a Happy Academic". They move beyond 'tricks and tips' and task-based work solutions via a fully integrative core skills development model which builds on personal values, is oriented around good strategy, and consistently works towards success. Attendees can register for a half day (morning workshop or afternoon workshop) or a full day. Workshop summaries can be found on the **attached document**. Please click [here](#) for additional information and to register.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Paid Parental Leave for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Fellows Extended to 12 Months

It was recently [announced](#) that the duration of paid parental leave for graduate students and postdoctoral fellows supported by the agencies is being doubled. The maximum duration will be twelve months instead of six for all new requests. This will also retroactively apply to those who

were on an active paid parental leave on April 1, 2019, or later. The change applies to holders of a graduate scholarship or postdoctoral fellowship from the granting agencies, as well as to students and fellows who are paid from a supervisor's agency grant. This expanded support will provide new parents with more flexibility to address their family responsibilities during their research training. It is an important step in the tri-agency agenda of initiatives to support equity, diversity, and inclusion.

## MSVU FACULTY RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS

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### Dr. Ashwani Kumar and his co-author Adrian Downey win Outstanding Publication Award from Canadian Association of Curriculum Studies

On June 4, 2019, Canadian Association of Curriculum Studies conferred Outstanding Publication Award on Dr. Ashwani Kumar and his co-author, Adrian Downey (a Mount alumnus and a doctoral student at UNB) on their paper titled "Teaching As Meditative Inquiry: A Dialogical Exploration." This paper is an outcome of Dr. Kumar's research project titled Reflections on Education, Creativity, and Life: A Dialogical Meditative Inquiry (The Dialogue Project). The central purpose of The Dialogue Project was to allow Dr. Kumar, through dialogical engagement, to conceptualize and theorize his ideas regarding a variety of topics, including teaching, learning, and researching as integral aspects of meditative inquiry. Downey worked as Dr. Kumar's research assistant during this project and acted as the questioner during the seven dialogues.

To read more about the paper and the dialogue project, follow this [link](#).

## IT&S Research Tip

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### Traveling With Electronics Tips

Traveling with electronics this summer? [Here are some tips](#) on keeping your devices, data, and yourself safe when you are the road, whether traveling for work or pleasure, within Canada or abroad.

What if a customs officer asks for access to my phone? Should I store personal information on my laptop? Why use a VPN? These and other questions are answered on the new [Traveling With Electronics IT&S webpage](#).

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