

RESEARCH BULLETIN

March 30th, 2020

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

SSHRC Explore and Exchange- Internal Grant

SSHRC Explore and Exchange grants will provide support for small-scale research projects and knowledge exchange or mobilization activities that fall under SSHRC's mandate. The SSHRC Explore stream (up to \$5,000) supports small-scale and is ideal for hiring a summer research assistant. The SSHRC Exchange (\$500 and up to \$2500) supports knowledge exchange or mobilization activities both within and beyond the academic community. The deadline to apply for these opportunities has been extended to May 1st, 2020 at 4 PM. For more information, visit our website or see the attached **Call for Applications**.

Nova Scotia Business Inc.: Productivity and Innovation Voucher Program

Nova Scotia Business Inc. will be accepting applications to the Productivity and Innovation Voucher Program starting **April 1st until mid-October**. The purpose of this program is to allow Nova Scotia registered companies to work with universities and access expertise they do not have in-house. The projects must demonstrate how they increase the productivity or innovation of a company's product, process or service. The program has two tiers, Tier 1 awards are for \$15,000 and Tier 2 awards are for \$25,000. Applications will be reviewed regularly while funding is available. If you have any questions about the program, please do not hesitate to contact our Industry Liaison Officer, Danielle Goodfellow at danielle.goodfellow@smu.ca

MSVU Release Time Awards

The deadline to submit a Release Time Award application to the Committee on Research and Publications has been extended to May 1st, 2020. **Applications must be on the form**, which can be found [here](#). The associated policy can be found on Policy Central, [here](#).

CALLS FOR PAPERS AND APPLICATIONS

Request for Proposals: Community-Based Research Projects in Cannabis and Mental Health

The Mental Health Commission of Canada has announced a request for proposal for community-based research projects in cannabis and mental health to support a holistic policy approach on the relationship between cannabis and mental health. The purpose of the Community-Based Research(CBR) funding is to address knowledge gaps in the relationship between cannabis and mental health. This opportunity is also aimed at building research capacity among people with lived and living experience of cannabis use and/or mental health problems and illnesses, and by other priority populations. The application deadline has been extended to May 29th, 2020, please [click here](#) to learn more.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Research Guidelines Related to COVID-19

[Click here](#)

COVID-19 Research Ethics Update

[Click here](#)

MSVU COVID-19 Updates

[Click here](#)

Taking care of your mental health during COVID-19 and advice on working from home – March 23, 2020

See attached.

Financial Services Update – March 24, 2020

See attached.

MSVU FACULTY RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS

Meet Our Researchers

Check out our new "[Meet Our Researchers](#)" profiles on our Industry Liaison Office web page! The individuals being profiled are exceptionally talented in their field and a testament to a flavour of applied research happening at the Mount. The Industry Liaison Office (ILO) can help you connect with industry to formulate projects and secure funding. We welcome the opportunity to learn more about your research and how we can support your work through industry connections. You can contact the ILO at oice@msvu.ca.

IT&S Cybersecurity Tip

Tax Scam Prevention Tips

During tax season, scammers ramp up their efforts to steal your money and your personal information. Fraudsters posing as CRA and Service Canada employees will email, call, and text, threatening legal action if you don't pay right away or offer you unexpected refunds. Government agents also may legitimately contact you, so check out [this new web page on CRA and Service Canada Scams](#) to help you tell them apart.

Working from Home IT Resources

The Mount provides several tools for working from home. See the new IT&S intranet page "[Working From Home](#)" for a list of these tools and links to resources to support you in using them. This page will be updated regularly, so check it often if you are working from home.

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