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NSERC LUNCH



(left to right) Dr. Steven N. Liss, Professor and Associate Dean (Research, Development and New Science Programs) Department of Chemistry & Biology, Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Science, NSERC Representative, Dr. Suzanne Fortier, NSERC President, Dr. Judith Sandys, Associate Vice President, Academic.

Dr. Judith Sandys, Associate Vice President, Academic and Professor Steven Liss, Associate Dean, Engineering and Applied Science and NSERC Representative hosted the fourth annual celebratory lunch for the University's current NSERC grantees. The University also took this opportunity to honour our most recent Canada Foundation for Innovation award winners.

The keynote speaker for the lunch was Dr. Suzanne Fortier, the newly appointed President of NSERC. Before becoming President of NSERC, Dr. Fortier was Vice-Principal (Academic) at Queen's University. She was also a full professor in both the departments of Chemistry and Computing and Information Science, having joined Queen's in 1982. Dr. Fortier was a member of NSERC's Council from 1996 until July 2005. During this period she served a term as Vice-President of Council. Dr. Fortier spoke of her pride in the work of Canadian researchers in the international scene.

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UPCOMING ORS EVENTS

Working with industrial partners: some contract issues

Industrial partners are valuable research sponsors at Ryerson, however not all partners are experienced in working with researchers in a university setting. This session will deal with some of the more common issues which arise when dealing with industrial partners. Light Lunch provided

Wednesday, March 1, 2006

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

EPH 433

NSERC Strategic Grants

Information Session

Ryerson University, Thursday, March 2, 2006

3 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. Eric Palin Hall Room 441

The Office of Research Services will host an NSERC Strategic Grants information session at Ryerson University; the NSERC staff member will be Dale Dempsey, NSERC Program Officer (Bio-industries / Research Partnerships Programs). Researchers who wish to learn more about the Strategic Program or to strengthen a proposed application are encouraged to attend.

The presentation will provide an overview of the NSERC programs in Research Partnerships (RPP) and a discussion of the Strategic Program and the new target areas that have been put in place for the upcoming 2006 competition. There will also be a short presentation on the NSERC Idea to Innovation program. More information is available http://www.ryerson.ca/ORS/news_main_page/Strategic_Poster_NSERC_March_2_2006.doc

NSERC Discovery & RTI (Equipment) Grants

Information Session

Ryerson University, Wednesday, March 22, 2006

Time TBA, Eric Palin Hall Room 443 (Boardroom)

The Office of Research Services will host an NSERC Discovery and RTI (Equipment) Grants information session at Ryerson University; the NSERC staff member will be Paul Potvin, Program Officer (Physical Science/Environmental Science, GSC 09).

This session will be of interest to both new and renewal/continuing applicants for the 2007 competition.

The presentation will provide an overview of the preparation and submission of Discovery Grants applications, NSERC policies and regulations pertaining to grants; the on-line application process. Questions on other programs such as the Research Tools & Instruments, Major Facilities Access will be welcomed.

How to Do a Patent Search

The strength of a patent search can make or break any subsequent commercialization strategy. This session will offer information how to make your search as thorough as possible. Light lunch provided.

Friday, March 24, 2006

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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SARWAN SAHOTA SEMINAR SERIES

2005 Sarwan Sahota Award Winner:

DR. SAID EASA, Civil Engineering
Department, Faculty of Engineering,
Architecture and Science

"Toward Vision Zero for Road Safety"

**Tuesday, March 28, 2006 EPH 441,
3:30 pm - light refreshments,
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. -
presentation.**

Please see link below
[http://www.ryerson.ca/ORS/
news_main_page/
said_easa_v1_mar28_06.pdf](http://www.ryerson.ca/ORS/news_main_page/said_easa_v1_mar28_06.pdf)
for more information.

The **Sarwan Sahota-Ryerson Distinguished Scholar Award** is presented annually to one or more faculty members who have made an outstanding contribution to knowledge or artistic creativity in their area(s) of expertise while employed at Ryerson. The contribution to SRC may be a long term, cumulative contribution or a single, particularly insightful or seminal idea, experiment, application or interpretation.

To attend any of the ORS sessions, please RSVP to the Office of Research Services, Kathy Peter @ kpeter@ryerson.ca or by telephone at Ext. 7277.

March 2006

TRI - AGENCY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

NSERC - Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada

<http://www.nserc.gc.ca/index.htm>

NSERC/CANADA COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS:

New Media Initiative

Deadlines:

April 3 ORS/Internal Review

April 18 NSERC (note change)

[http://www.nserc.ca/](http://www.nserc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b1a)

[professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b1a](http://www.canadacouncil.ca/grants/mediaarts/rl127223008646562500.htm)

[http://www.canadacouncil.ca/grants/](http://www.canadacouncil.ca/grants/mediaarts/rl127223008646562500.htm)

[mediaarts/rl127223008646562500.htm](http://www.canadacouncil.ca/grants/mediaarts/rl127223008646562500.htm)

The NSERC/CC New Media Initiative is intended to promote collaboration between scientists and/or engineers and artists, thereby combining creativity with the development and application of new technologies and knowledge. New media art that develops and applies new digital technologies increasingly includes science and engineering-based methodologies, while scientific research is increasingly making use of art-based practices.

Collaborations between scientists and/or engineers and artists in the field of information and communications technology often involve the design, development and application of products in such areas as software and hardware tools for IP networks and broadband optical networks; (tele)robotics; cognitive systems; artificial life agents; data visualization; bioinformatics; wearable computing; and advanced materials and devices such as active fabrics, sensors and microprocessors.

NSERC will fund the scientific and engineering research component of the project; the project must be scientifically sound and promise to generate new knowledge or a new technology, or to apply existing knowledge/technology in an innovative manner.

The Canada Council will fund the artistic component of the project.

The following are **not eligible** for support:

- Projects that support work created for the cultural industries of commercial new media, radio or television broadcasting;
- Projects whose purpose is to record or document existing artworks or use existing technology in routine applications;
- Projects that focus on the routine application of existing technology or that provide professional or consulting services;
- Proposals that are principally associated with the acquisition and maintenance of scientific equipment.

New Media Initiative Grants are awarded for one to three years; The Canada Council funds up to \$60,000 in total, the average NSERC funding is \$130,000 per year.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the appropriate Program Officer at either agency well before the program deadline:

Marie Thibault, Program Office, RPP Directorate, NSERC (613) 943 7831, E-mail: marie.thibault@nserc.ca
Zainub Verjee, Media Arts Program Officer, CC (1-800-2635588 Ext. 5253, E-mail: zainub.verjee@canadacouncil.ca

NSERC STRATEGIC NETWORK GRANTS PROGRAM

(formerly Research Network Grants)

The new Strategic Network Grants program description and application instructions will be available on the NSERC website by March 31, 2006.

Deadline: June 20, 2006

(new preliminary applications)

[http://www.nserc.gc.ca/](http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b2)
[professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b2](http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b2)

NSERC will lift the moratorium on applications to the Research Network Grants program and rename it the Strategic Network Grants program. The renamed program will focus on the same high-level strategic target areas as the Strategic Project Grants program.

- Advanced Communications and Management of Information
- Biomedical Technologies
- Competitive Manufacturing and Value-Added Products and Processes

- Healthy Environment and Ecosystems
- Quality Foods and Novel Bioproducts
- Safety and Security
- Sustainable Energy Systems (Production, Distribution and Utilization)

NSERC will post the new Strategic Network Grants program description and application instructions on its website by March 31, 2006.

A Notification of Submission will not be required for the Strategic Network Grants program. The deadline for NSERC to receive new preliminary applications for the 2007 competition will be June 30, 2006.

NSERC INNOVATION CHALLENGE AWARDS

Deadlines:

April 17 (Proposal to ORS for internal review / selection)

May 15 (Proposal to Agency following nomination)

[http://www.nserc.gc.ca/](http://www.nserc.gc.ca/award_e.asp?nav=ica&lbi=about)
[award_e.asp?nav=ica&lbi=about](http://www.nserc.gc.ca/award_e.asp?nav=ica&lbi=about)

This is a national competition to recognize and reward imagination and innovation in thesis research with commercial potential.

Internal selection prizes: \$300 (up to two)

NSERC Prizes: one \$10,000 and two \$5,000

Eligibility:

-Masters or PhD student/graduate in NSERC related field

-submit/expect to submit thesis between May 1, 2005 and April 30, 2006, and defend before November 2006.

-Canadian citizen or permanent resident

All eligible candidate proposals will go through an internal review and selection process. Ryerson University will select up to two proposals for an internal cash award of \$300 and nomination to the NSERC competition.

Visit the NSERC website for details on the proposal and application requirements.

Further information:

Galina Maliouta, Program Assistant,
Industry Liaison, ext 7287
gmaliout@ryerson.ca

TRI - AGENCY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

NSERC STRATEGIC PROJECT GRANTS ANNOUNCEMENT NEW TARGET AREAS & PROPOSAL CONTENT

Deadlines:

April 3: ORS/Internal review

April 18: NSERC (note change)

Full description of changes will be found at: http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=b1&format=print

The target areas for the Strategic Project Grants program have been revised. Check the new target area descriptions and research topics prior to preparing your application; previous research topics may no longer be eligible.

Target Areas

- Advanced Communications and Management of Information
- Biomedical Technologies
- Competitive Manufacturing and Value-Added Products and Processes
- Healthy Environment and Ecosystems
- Quality Foods and Novel Bioproducts
- Safety and Security
- Sustainable Energy Systems (Production, Distribution and Utilization)

Program Objective

The goal of the Strategic Project Grants program is to increase research and training in targeted areas that could strongly enhance Canada's economy, society and/or environment within the next ten years.

Expected Results

It is expected that this program will:

- generate new knowledge/technology with the strong potential to strengthen Canada's industrial base, generate wealth, create employment, and/or influence Canadian public policy;
- increase the number of highly qualified personnel in the areas targeted by this program;
- foster the increased participation of Canadian-based companies and/or government organizations in academic research; and
- enable the transfer of knowledge/technology and expertise to Canadian-based companies that are well positioned to apply the results for economic gain or to government organizations to strengthen public policy.

Program Requirements

To be funded, a research project must meet the following requirements:

- The project must support the goal of the SPG program and fall within one of the targeted areas defined below.
- The objectives and scope of the project must be well defined. The duration may be from one to three years.
- At least one academic researcher and at least one supporting organization must collaborate in the project.
- The supporting organization must be actively involved in all stages of the project; therefore, in-kind contributions are required, but cash is not.

Supporting Organizations

- Each project must have at least one supporting organization which:
- is a Canadian-based company that can apply the research results in a way that generates wealth or employment (organizations without Canadian R&D or manufacturing operations will not be considered), or is a government organization that can apply the results in a way that strengthens public policy;

- collaborates in all stages of the research project, i.e., helps to develop the proposal and, as the project unfolds, interacts regularly with the academic researchers, students and other research personnel and provides input on the project; and
- validates the results of the research and/or provides guidance concerning the exploitation of the results.

The project may also include other participants such as non-governmental organizations, government research laboratories, foreign research institutions, venture capitalists, implementation sites, or potential customers, but these participants do not qualify as supporting organizations.

Given that interaction between personnel from academic institutions and other sectors contributes to knowledge sharing and the development of highly qualified personnel, NSERC encourages secondments, cross-appointments, co-supervision of students, internships, reciprocal laboratory visits and joint workshops. (For details, see the [Policy and Guidelines on the Assessment of Contributions to Research and Training.](#))

Competition Budget

NSERC will allocate an equal budget to each targeted area of research, i.e., approximately \$2 million per year, which would fund about 15 new awards in each area. NSERC will allocate at least 80% of the target area budget to applications that directly address the priority research topics identified in each target area. NSERC will allocate no more than 20% of each target area's budget to fund exceptional projects that make a compelling case for research within the general target area but outside the research topics.

Application Procedures

Please refer to the instructions for completing an SPG application: <http://www.nserc.gc.ca/forms/instructions/101/e.asp?prog=spg>

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CIHR – CANADIAN INSTITUTES FOR HEALTH RESEARCH

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/781.html>

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH

Request for Applications: Research Syntheses in Mobility in Aging

Deadlines:

Mandatory Registration: April 1, 2006

Full application: June 1, 2006

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/30009.html>

In line with the goal of the Mobility in Aging Initiative, the purpose of this Request for Applications - Research Syntheses in Mobility in Aging - is to identify research and knowledge translation gaps and further strengthen knowledge translation by supporting research synthesis in order to provide for evidence-informed decision-making. It is expected that this targeted investment will lead to more synthesis of knowledge as well as identify and address gaps in research and knowledge translation within the range of intrinsic and extrinsic challenges (from biological to environmental) associated with Mobility in Aging. In the context of the Mobility in Aging Initiative, mobility encompasses not only participation in society (e.g., ability to drive and having accessible public transportation) and physical activity of older adults, but also the performance of specific maneuvers such as walking or climbing stairs and the carrying out of instrumental activities of daily living. Mobility is a challenge for a significant proportion of the older population. In addition to **extrinsic** barriers of mobility, such as inappropriate transportation infrastructure, aids and physical environments, older adults also cope with **intrinsic** barriers, such as fear of falling and mobility impairments

Funds Available:

The amount awarded for a single grant will range between \$50,000 and \$100,000 per annum for one year. This award is non-renewable. The Institute of Aging is committing up to \$200,000 to successful applications relevant to its Mobility in Aging Initiative. The Institute of Gender and Health is committing up to \$50,000 to successful applications relevant to the Mobility in Aging Initiative, with an emphasis on 'how sex and gender influence mobility, health and effective interventions for men and women'. The total amount available for the Knowledge Translation - Research Syntheses Funding Opportunity is \$1.14M from ALL its partners (including the amounts detailed above). This amount may increase if additional funding partners decide to participate.

For additional information, contact: Rob Cornforth, Program Coordinator, Knowledge Creation Programs, CIHR, Telephone: (613) 941-0989/Fax: (613) 954-1800/
Email: rcornforth@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH

Request for Applications: Pilot Project Grants- Aging

Deadlines:

Mandatory Registration: April 1, 2006

Full application: June 1, 2006

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29757.html>

Part of the mandate of the CIHR Institute of Aging (IA) includes the development and support of high quality research programs and initiatives related to aging. The purpose of this Request for Applications is to encourage innovative investigations within IA's priority research areas by providing one-year pilot project grants. It is expected that this targeted investment will enable researchers to generate preliminary data, validate methodology or tools, and/or explore novel (high risk) research ideas towards enhancing the success of subsequent applications to the CIHR open and strategic competitions.

The specific objectives of this initiative are to support innovative ideas and projects within IA's five priority topics on aging, in order to help researchers to subsequently obtain research grants from the regular programs; to build research capacity in aging by attracting researchers to IA's five priority topics; to generate new knowledge regarding IA's five research priorities on aging and health. Eligible research areas include research in areas covered by the Institute's priority topics. Within the context of these priorities, issues of aging and/or the aged should be essential elements of the research objectives, hypotheses and analyses (e.g., dynamics of aging, age-relevant models and/or aged subjects; uniqueness of aging or aged population). Applicants should note that unless otherwise stated, the focus of the Institute of Aging is primarily on the functional limitations as the consequences of diseases rather than on the diseases themselves, as these are addressed by other CIHR Institutes.

Funds Available:

The total amount available for this initiative is \$ 550,000 over a total of one year. This amount may increase if additional funding partners decide to participate. The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is \$ 50,000 per annum for up to one year.

For additional information, contact: Sophie Desjardins, Program Delivery Coordinator, CIHR, Telephone: (613) 952-9195/Fax: (613) 954-1800/Email: sdesjardins@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

ONLINE GUIDES

CIHR: Grants and Awards Guides

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/805.html>

NSERC: Use of Grants Funds

http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=f3

SSHRC: Using your Funds

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/using/using_e.asp

TRI-AGENCY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH

Request for Applications: Pilot Project Grants- Ethics

Deadlines:

Mandatory Registration: April 1, 2006

Full application: June 1, 2006

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/30014.html>

Part of CIHR's mandate in ethics is to foster research in health ethics, which includes the promotion of capacity building. The purpose of this Request for Applications is to encourage applications from new investigators entering the field of ethics and mid-career investigators interested in making a transition into ethics research, by providing one or two-year pilot project grants. It is expected that this targeted investment will enable researchers to increase their capacity to submit successful future applications to the CIHR open and strategic competitions in ethics. The purpose of this strategic initiative is to foster research in health-related ethics, specifically in building capacity in that area in Canada. CIHR wants to encourage applications from new investigators and mid-career investigators interested in making a transition into ethics research. The Pilot Project grants provide support for research in health-related ethics, the output of which should enable successful funding of subsequent applications for operating grants.

The specific objectives of this initiative are to: encourage applicants to embark in new directions that could lead to successful future applications for operating grants; undertake research in bioethics as it relates to health research and/or health policy; develop broad themes in the areas of interest using relevant methodology or methodologies; promote conceptual and/or empirical research from a wide range of disciplinary backgrounds; and encourage research within the Health, Ethics, Law and Humanities (ELH) peer-review committee mandate. The CIHR Ethics Office will provide funding for applications that are relevant to and in alignment with the objectives and research priority areas described above.

Funds Available:

The maximum amount available for this initiative is \$300,000 per year. This amount may increase if additional funding partners decide to participate. The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is \$50,000 per annum for up to two years

For additional information, contact: Krista McLean, Program Coordinator, CIHR. Telephone: (613) 954-7870/Fax: (613) 954-1800 Email: kmclean@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

CHAIR IN NEUROETHICS

Registration: May 1, 2006

Full application: May 31, 2006

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29773.html>

The Chair will allow a Canadian university or health research institute to support a leading researcher in the field of neuroethics in Canada. The Chair will be funded through a \$300,000 Establishment Grant from CIHR, and a yearly \$50,000 Support Grant from INMHA. Following the competition, one Chair will be awarded for a five-year non-renewable term. To further enhance the award, the host institution must also nominate the Chair for a Canada Research Chair or equivalent salary support.

Funds Available:

CIHR's contribution to the amount available for this initiative is subject to availability of funds voted annually to CIHR by parliamentary appropriations, and the conditions that may be attached to them.

- The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is \$300,000 for the first year plus \$50,000 per annum for up to 5 years. The equipment amount is awarded in year one.
- The final two years of funding are subject to a satisfactory progress review in the third year of funding.
- The total amount available for this initiative is \$550,000. This amount may increase if additional funding partners decide to participate.

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH

Strategic Training Modules: Building Capacity to Conduct Research Synthesis Regarding Health Services and Policy Research

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29914.html>

Deadlines:

April 1 registration

May 1: full application

Part of CIHR's mandate is to promote research that addresses the creation of new knowledge and its translation into improved health for Canadians, more effective health products and services and a strengthened health care system. The purpose of this Request for Applications (RFA) is to support a minimum of two training initiatives designed to educate health services and policy researchers in methods of conducting syntheses.

Funds Available:

The total amount available for this RFA is \$300,000 (minimum). This amount may increase if additional partners decide to participate. The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is \$150,000 for up to two years.

Objectives and Relevant Research Areas

The purpose of this RFA is to support a minimum of *two training initiatives* designed to educate health services and policy researchers in methods of conducting syntheses in order to build additional capacity within the Canadian health services and policy research community to: (a) conduct research syntheses, and (b) understand, and further develop, the state of science regarding research syntheses and the translation of results to inform health care decision-making. Without intending to be prescriptive or exhaustive, possible training initiatives might include a series of workshops, short courses, summer institutes, purpose-built course(s) within existing training programs, and the like.

For questions on CIHR funding guidelines, how to apply, and the peer review process contact: Marie-Lynne Boudreau, Program Delivery Officer, CIHR. Telephone: (613) 941-0861 Fax: (613) 954-1800 Email: mboudreau@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

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TRI-AGENCY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

SSHRC - Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_index_e.asp

Major Collaborative Research Initiatives (MCIR) (New Listing)

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/mcrist_e.asp

Deadlines:

Letter of intent: January 31, 2006 (step 1)
Full application: September 1, 2006 (by invitation)

The Major Collaborative Research Initiatives (MCRI) program supports leading edge research with true potential for intellectual breakthrough that addresses broad and critical issues of intellectual, social, economic and cultural significance through the effective coordination and integration of diverse research activities and research results. Grants are awarded for seven years, subject to a satisfactory site visit by a SSHRC-appointed committee that reviews the project's progress at its mid-point.

The program is intended for leading scholars with solid track records and past experience in collaborative research, student training and grant management, and who demonstrate the leadership and other skills necessary for managing a complex, interdisciplinary, multi-institutional project.

TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMS

NEW!!!

International Opportunities Fund

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/iof_e.asp

Deadlines:

Agency: OPEN

RESEARCH GRANTS

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_index_e.asp#1

Community-University Research Alliances (CURA)

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/cura_e.asp

To support research projects jointly developed and undertaken by university-based researchers and organizations from the community

Deadlines:

Letter of Intent: May 5, 2006
Formal Application (by invitation only): TBD

Research Development Initiatives

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/rdi_e.asp

To support analysis of changing directions in research and in the evolution of academic disciplines.

Deadlines:

Full Application: April 7, 2006

GRANTS TO INSTITUTIONS

These programs help universities develop their research capacity in the social sciences and humanities.

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_index_e.asp

Canadian Initiative on Social Statistics (CISS) Data Training Schools

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/ciss_data_training_e.asp

To promote research and training in the application of Canadian social statistics.

Deadlines: TBD

Value: Up to \$50,000 per annum

Duration: 3 years

AGENCY DEADLINES

Agency deadline dates in the Research Opportunities Newsletter have been obtained from the agency website and are subject to change. Please double-check agency websites for current deadline dates.

STANDARD RESEARCH GRANTS

Deadline: October 15, 2006

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/standard_e.asp

Objectives

The broad purpose of the Standard Research Grants program is to support research and develop excellence in research activities in the social sciences and humanities.

The specific objectives of the program are to:

- support high quality independent programs of research, as proposed by scholars and judged by their peers;
- provide opportunities for the training of future researchers;
- contribute to the development or elaboration of new theoretical or methodological approaches to research;
- maintain and develop vigorous disciplinary research activities;
- foster and develop vigorous collaborative, multidisciplinary research activities among researchers in the social sciences and humanities; and
- assist the communication of research results both within and beyond the academic community.

Standard Research Grants are available for three-year programs of research. The value of these grants is up to a maximum of \$100,000 per year, but not totaling more than \$250,000 in a three-year period. Applications for a Standard Research Grant may be submitted by an individual researcher or a team of researchers (one applicant/principal investigator plus one or more co-applicants/co-investigators and/or collaborators). Grant applications are adjudicated through a competitive process.

For a list of Program Officers for specific committees see:

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/background/standard_officers_e.asp

OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT TECHNOLOGY CANADA

Call for Proposals for Clean Water and Soil Technologies (Round 9)

Deadlines

Statement of Interest March 15, 2006

Invited Full Application

http://www.sdtc.ca/en/funding/advice/soi_application.htm

SDTC announces a Call for Statements of Interest for projects with technologies that address water and soil quality issues as well as climate change and clean air.

- Prospective clean water technologies will look to optimize Canada's water infrastructure, update existing diagnostic tools and methods, and address public concern over the safety of drinking water.
- Soil technologies will aim to prevent, treat or contain the contamination of soil, improve water retention, crop yield and vegetation cover, and to support brownfield redevelopment to enhance land value and use.

In this SOI call, SDTC encourages technology solutions that integrate air, soil and water co-benefits, and offer front-end approaches that help prevent environmental damage and achieve greater sustainability for all of Canada's economic sectors. Solutions that mitigate environmental impacts such as soil remediation, or that remove pollution and generate value such as brownfield redevelopment, will also be considered.

For more information about SDTC's funding process and criteria, applicants can go directly online to submit their applications at http://www.sdtc.ca/en/funding/advice/soi_application.htm

For questions contact SDTC at applications@sdtc.ca

DAIRY FARMERS OF CANADA Nutrition Research Funding Program

Deadline

April 1 2006 Letter of Intent

Invited Full Application

<http://www.dairynutrition.ca>

Dairy Farmers of Canada is a non-profit organization, funded by dairy producers across Canada; the DFC Research Funding Program offers support for research in areas of interest to the dairy industry.

The objective of the Nutrition Research Funding Program is to gain a better understanding of the specific role of dairy components (i.e. their biological activity, interactions, bioavailability, the effects of production and processing, etc.) in attaining and maintaining optimum health.

In addition DFC encourages the development of new products and new uses for dairy components. The DFC will consider those applications which will help make dairy producers and dairy products more competitive. DFC is particularly interested in research into the benefits of dairy products (or their components):

1. In the health of the bones (attainment of peak bone mass and maintenance);
2. In the health of the gut (e.g. probiotics and the control of pathogens);
3. In the health of the heart and the circulatory system (e.g. blood pressure, insulin resistance syndrome);
4. In the prevention of obesity in both children and adults.

Application is in two stages. For new proposals a letter of intent is required and full application will be by invitation.

Further details on the DFC research funding opportunities, guidelines and application format can be found on the website <http://www.dairynutrition.ca> then go to Research Funding under the heading Our Nutrition Team and Initiative.

HUMAN FRONTIER SCIENCE PROGRAM Research Grant Letter of Intent

Deadlines:

March 20, 2006 Mandatory Password Registration

March 30, 2006 Initial application is by Letter of Intent

(Invited full application)

http://www.hfsp.org/how/appl_forms_RG.php

HSFP Research Grants are designed to bring together scientists from fields such as physics, mathematics, chemistry, computer science, bioinformatics, nanoscience, engineering and biology to open up new approaches to understanding complex biological systems.

The research teams must be international. The principal applicants must be from one of the eligible countries (Canada is an eligible country). However, other participating scientists and laboratories may be situated anywhere in the world.

HSFP supports research focused on complex mechanisms of living organisms; fields supported range from molecular and cellular approaches to biological functions to systems and cognitive neuroscience. Research in methodology in the above areas, or the study of analogs or models of biological activity, is also eligible for support. Projects which involve only high-throughput approaches to data collection (e.g. large-scale, systematic genome mapping or sequencing) are not eligible however this does not exclude functional studies based upon use of such data.

Two types of Research Grants are available:

Program Grants are awarded to teams of independent researchers at any stage of their careers. The research team is expected to develop new lines of research through the collaboration. Up to \$450,000 per grant per year may be applied for.

Young Investigators' Grants are awarded to teams of researchers all of whom are within the first 5-years of independent research.

Letter of Intent budgets should also include (non negotiable) 10% overhead on the total direct costs of the award.

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OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

THE ONTARIO MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS & AGRICULTURE & AGRI-FOOD CANADA Life Science and Agri-food Innovation Fund 2006 Call for Letters of Intent Deadline: March 27, 2006 at 4.00 p.m. <http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/research/laif/cfp.htm>

Projects that will be considered for LAIF-Ontario funding will be of significant benefit to the Ontario agri-food sector and the related life sciences area. The idea must clearly address a significant, identified industry need. For the purpose of this fund, life sciences will be defined as follows: "The practice of developing new or alternative products and services from renewable biological materials - animal, plant or biosolid".

The stage of research that best fits LAIF-Ontario is one where earlier academic research has shown the potential for an idea to be converted into a commercial application but where further efforts are required to better define the commercial potential of the intellectual property. Further research, testing or development may be required to demonstrate proof of principle or to create a working demonstration model. The idea should be sufficiently advanced that a relatively small amount of money and time could provide significant gains in the ability to realistically attract wider interest and funding. An investor or receptor company may have expressed interest in the idea but are unwilling to invest without further evidence.

Where applicable, Technology Transfer Offices (or equivalent) of the applicants institution are required to support and sign the application. Applications should only deal with IP that has been disclosed to the institution's Technology Transfer Office (or equivalent). **Applications that deal with IP that has already been licensed or otherwise encumbered by a third party will not be considered.**

Researchers considering this funding opportunity must contact Dr. Heather Gallant, Business Development, Contracts & Technology Transfer, ORS (hgallant@ryerson.ca) for assistance in developing the technology transfer plan prior to submission.

Examples of activities conducted under LAIF-Ontario funding could include:

- Demonstration of proof of concept
- Prototype development
- Scale up of technology for demonstration purposes
- Beta testing of technologies

Up to 20% of the dollars awarded for a project may be used for commercialization related activities. Examples of these activities could include:

- Market research
- Evaluation and analysis of technology application opportunities
- Competitive intelligence gathering
- Business planning
- Preparation of presentations for potential investors

Costs associated with patents and other forms of intellectual property protection are not eligible for funding.

Proposals for LAIF-Ontario funding are not required to include commercialization related activities in their budget request, however they will be required to complete the commercialization plan section of the application form.

Applicants are expected to have an established track record of recognized, competitive, peer-reviewed funding for research in the area related to the proposal, be residents of Ontario and be actively involved in research at an Ontario based institution.

Funds Available: Support for up to \$200,000 for any project (including overhead service costs) for up to 18 months duration. ORS will advise on the applicable overhead rate.

Application Process: Please submit an original, signed, unbound paper copy of the Letter of Intent form, seven paper copies and an electronic copy on CD or 3-1/2" floppy disk to: Maurice Bitran, Ph.D, Research and Innovation Branch, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, 1 Stone Road West, Guelph, ON N1G 4Y2.

NCE/MATHEMATICS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMPLEX SYSTEMS New MITACS Seed Projects

Deadline: May 15, 2006

<http://www.mitacs.ca/main.php?mid=10000026&pid=29>

MITACS is a Federal Network of Centres of Excellence, with the following objectives:

1. To enable and encourage the generation of new research ideas and new technologies within a world-class research program;
2. To develop linkages among those research, development and investment communities where mathematical sciences are important, in universities, hospitals, companies and government;
3. To expand the highly qualified human resources skilled in the development and application of mathematical models; and,
4. To support the application of the research results for the economic and social benefit of Canada.

MITACS is soliciting proposals for new seed projects. Seed projects with an annual MITACS budget of \$20K-\$50K and are expected to have a 12-18 months duration. Typically seed projects involve 2-6 faculty members at one or more Canadian universities, 1-3 partner organizations, with total budgets of up to \$100K annually. These projects must show potential to grow into full-scale large projects and are expected to apply for full-scale status at their conclusion. All projects must obtain non-NCE partner funds before MITACS funds are released. MITACS is primarily interested in projects within its current theme areas. However the overall merit of the project carries the highest priority and projects in potentially new application areas are also encouraged.

Researchers are strongly encouraged to discuss their project ideas with MITACS before submission of the final proposal so that it best reflects the priorities of the MITACS Research Management Committee. Inquiries regarding this competition can be directed to mitacs@mitacs.ca

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OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

THE ONTARIO MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

Alternative Renewable Fuels Research and Development Fund

2006 Call for Letters of Intent

Deadline: March 15, 2006 by 4.00 p.m.

Invited Full Application

<http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/research/arfuels/cfloi2006.htm>

Electronically mailed and faxed copies of Letters of Intent will not be accepted.

Projects will be considered that relate to the production of fuels or energy from any renewable agricultural source including crops and livestock and the waste products of crop, livestock and food production. Project proposals should promote innovation in the alternative fuels industry and address at least one of the following areas.

Areas of scientific priority include:

- Market development for bi-products, end products and alternative energy fuel crops;
- Improvements to feedstock quality and efficiency, or identification of alternate feedstocks;
- Production efficiency - yield, energy consumption, co-generation, labour productivity, chemicals/enzymes/ingredients and quality control;
- Environmental benefits and mitigation of impact of alternative renewable fuels and co-generated products;
- Economic analysis - assessing the economic impact of public policy or programs related to alternative renewable fuels, successful risk management and private sector investment strategies for the Ontario industry. Economic analyses should include Ontario based case studies where appropriate;
- Farm based and rural energy production;
- Agricultural-based hydrogen / fuel cell development.

Criteria for Review of Letters of Intent

Evaluation of the Letters of Intent will be based on the following criteria:

- Fit with the research priorities listed above;
- Anticipated significance, cost-benefit and unique competitive advantage of the research to the agri-food, energy and rural sectors in Ontario;
- Probability of successful commercialization or industry uptake within a three to five year time frame;
- Research capabilities of the researcher and establishment;
- Level of matching funds from eligible sources; and
- Contribution from collaborators and the impact on the quality of research attained.

There is a requirement for PIPEDA Compliance (Personal Information and Electronics Document Act), please ensure that ORS has reviewed this Statement prior to the LOI deadline.

Funding/Matching Funds: Funding will be considered for both short-term, low cost proposals (up to \$50,000) as well as multi-year proposals for a maximum for any single project of \$200,000 over the duration of the project. LOI budgets must include overhead at 25% (non-negotiable).

Applicants should make every effort to obtain matching funding and both cash and in-kind contributions can be counted towards matching funds. Funding from any Ontario Government source is not considered as matching funds. Those projects with minimal matching funds must demonstrate evidence of exceptional benefits to Ontario.

Application Process: To apply for funding, please submit an original, signed, unbound paper copy of the Letter of Intent form, three paper copies, and an electronic copy on CD or 3-1/2" floppy disk to: Darlene Shewen, Research and Innovation Branch, OMAFRA, 1 Stone Road West, Guelph, Ontario N1G 4Y2.

Further details on the Alternative Renewable Fuels Research Requirements and 2006 LOI form will be found at <http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/research/arfuels/cfloi2006.htm>

Announcements

Session on Grantsmanship Offered by the Grant Institute

"Grants 101: Professional Grant Proposal Writing Workshop" will be held at the University of Ottawa, April 18 - 20, 2006, in Room 124 of Lamoureux Hall, from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. The workshop is aimed at development professionals, researchers, faculty, and graduate students. Participants will receive certification in professional grant writing from the Institute. The Institute describes the program as an intensive and detailed introduction to the process, structure, and skill of professional proposal writing. The course is characterized as a thorough overview, introduction, and refresher at the same time. Participants will learn the entire proposal writing process and complete the course with a solid understanding of not only the ideal proposal structure, but a holistic understanding of the essential factors, which determine whether or not a program gets funded. Through the completion of interactive exercises and activities, participants will complement expert lectures by putting proven techniques into practice. This course is designed for both the beginner looking for a thorough introduction and the intermediate looking for a refresher course that will strengthen their grant acquisition skills. The class is designed to get results by creating professional grant proposal writers. Participants will become competent program planning and proposal writing professionals after successful completion of the Grants 101 course. Over the course of three days, students will be exposed to the art of successful grant writing practices, and led on a journey that ends with a masterful grant proposal. The course consists of three courses that will be completed during the three-day workshop. They are "Fundamentals of Program Planning," "Professional Grant Writing," and "Grant Research." Registration is \$597.00 USD. Tuition includes all materials and certificates. For more information call (213) 817-5308 or visit The Grant Institute website at <http://www.thegrantinstitute.com>.

TORONTO RESEARCH DATA CENTRE (RDC) Upcoming Event

Toronto RDC Brown Bag Lunch Series

Dr. Curtis Breslin, Jason Pole, and Ryan Zhao
Institute for Work & Health
March 7, 2006 @ 12-1pm
Toronto RDC Conference Room

Title of talk: "Using the SLID to examine the antecedents and consequences of work disability absences among young people."**

This talk is open to RDC researchers. If you are not an RDC researcher, please contact Dave Haans, 416-946-8106, about attending.

The talk will be held in the Toronto Region Research Data Centre at 130 St. George Street, on the 7th Floor in Room 7032.

Background:

The Toronto Region Statistics Canada Research Data Centre (RDC) is an inter-university facility whose partners include Statistics Canada, Ryerson University, York University and the University of Toronto.

Since November 2001, the Toronto RDC has provided world-class resources to researchers who have received approval to analyze one of Statistics Canada's confidential longitudinal surveys.

The Toronto RDC's secure computer network has 24 high-end workstations uniquely suited for statistical processing, the latest statistical software packages, an Internet lab, and a high-speed laser printer. The Toronto RDC is housed in a quiet, comfortable and highly secure environment in the Robarts Library building at the University of Toronto.

Available documentation includes:

- Paper and electronic documentation for each of the Toronto RDC's datasets
- Extensive in-house electronic help files on the datasets
- 1991, 1996 and 2001 Census materials
- Statistical program manuals and guides

RDC is supported by a joint program of SSHRC and Statistics Canada. The goal of the program is to promote research and training in the application of social statistics. Statistics Canada has developed a rich and unique set of data collection instruments and data sets, which provide the country with an excellent statistical base of information on critical social and socio-economic issues for which there is an increasing demand on the part of policy makers.

*Note: SLID is the "Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics." Statistics Canada describes the survey as data that complements traditional survey data on labour market activity and income with an additional dimension: the changes experienced by individuals over time. At the heart of the survey's objectives is the understanding of the economic well-being of Canadians: what economic shifts do individuals and families live through, and how does it vary with changes in their paid work, family make-up, receipt of government transfers or other factors? Statistics Canada describes SLID as the first Canadian household survey to provide national data on the fluctuations in income that a typical family or individual experiences over time, providing greater insight on the nature and extent of poverty in Canada.

ONLINE GUIDES

CIHR: Grants and Awards Guides
<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/805.html>

NSERC: Use of Grants Funds
http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnave&lbi=f3

SSHRC: Using your Funds
http://www.sshrc.ca/web/using/using_e.asp

Message from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research is renewing membership for its thirteen Institute Advisory Boards (IABs) and invites you to assist by encouraging excellent candidates to apply. They are seeking about forty new members to serve three-year terms beginning September 1, 2006.

Diversity of expertise and experience are key to the success of IABs. Every CIHR Institute IABs is made up of sixteen volunteers from Canada and abroad who meet at least twice a year to advise the Institute on health research priorities. They also consider how best to shape and implement health research strategies in line with these priorities, and to accelerate the flow of knowledge into health benefits.

While recruiting a wide range of researchers and individuals from all sectors of society, CIHR's Governing Council has placed special emphasis on small universities; voluntary sector; research institutes; lay people, health care delivery professionals and health care users.

Applications may be submitted online from February 8 to March 22, 2006 at <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/18156.html> by clicking on the link: How to apply to become an IAB member.

For more information, contact: Rosa Venuta, Team Lead, Governance Membership Program
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phone: (613) 941-6177

AGENCY DEADLINES

Agency deadline dates in the Research Opportunities Newsletter have been obtained from the agency website and are subject to change. Please double-check agency websites for current deadline dates.

INTERNAL FUNDING PROGRAMS

RYERSON SSHRC INSTITUTIONAL GRANT (SIG)

The SIG for Research and International Travel provides funds to Ryerson faculty members pursuing research in the social sciences and humanities for small research seed projects and travel assistance to faculty presenting papers at scholarly international congresses or workshops or at conferences of international learned societies. Funds for this program are provided by SSHRC, Office of Research Services, Office of International Affairs, and the Associate Vice President Academic.

RYERSON SIG RESEARCH DEADLINE: November 15, 2005

Seed funding for projects in the Social Sciences and Humanities (funding: up to \$7,000).

RYERSON SIG TRAVEL DEADLINE: March 15, 2006

Provides travel assistance for up to \$2,000 to faculty presenting papers in a field supported by SSHRC at scholarly international congresses or workshops outside Canada and the continental USA.

RYERSON CREATIVE FUND DEADLINE: December 1, 2005

Provides a small number of grants up to \$5,000 support to faculty members who engage, or wish to engage, in creative activity, where it can be demonstrated that such activity is relevant to their discipline and also to encourage faculty to explore potential alternative sources of funding. Normally only full-time tenured, tenure-track, or Limited Term faculty members are eligible for support.

Further details are available on all programs on the ORS website (forms)

<http://www.ryerson.ca/ors/topbar/forms/index.html>

RYERSON NEW FACULTY SRC DEVELOPMENT FUND DEADLINE: January 10, 2006

Provides up to \$10,000 funding to new faculty within the first 2 years of their tenure or probationary appointment in the Faculties of Arts, Business, Communication & Design, Community Services or the Department of Architectural Science to establish and implement an SRC program. This initiative does not fund "stand alone" projects that are not part of a larger plan.

RYERSON INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH FUND DEADLINE: February 27, 2006

This fund is a joint initiative with the Office of International Affairs and is intended to foster international research collaborations.

The Ryerson International Research Fund (RIRF) provides seed funding to develop proposals for externally funded international research initiatives that are a priority to their academic units, and that are consistent with the stated goals and objectives of the University's Academic Plan *Learning Together 2003-2008*. Successful applicants are to use this seed funding to develop an international research project proposal at a minimum value of \$100,000. There are two awards: \$20,000 per award with required matching funds of \$10,000 cash or in-kind.

STUDENT CATEGORY (NEW LISTING) Graduate Student Writing Competition Deadline: February 28, 2006, 4 p.m.

Award - Prizes

Four prizes will be offered for articles of up to maximum of 1,000 words describing the research of Ryerson graduate students and their faculty supervisor. Articles are to be written in a style that is accessible to the general public and must be authored by a graduate student currently registered at Ryerson.

First prize: engineering or science related article \$500

First prize: social sciences and humanities \$500

Second prize: all disciplines \$300

Third prize: all disciplines \$200

Guidelines: http://www.ryerson.ca/ORS/topbar/forms/grad_research_article_2006.htm

RESEARCH DATA CENTRE FUNDING DEADLINE: April 30, 2006

To facilitate use of the Research Data Centre (RDC) a limited number of grants of up to \$2,000 are available to Ryerson PIs who have projects which utilize the RDC. Applications for funding under this program will be accepted until April 30, 2006. A maximum of one award per project will be given. In order to receive a grant, the project must first have been approved by the RDC adjudication committee and the PI must have received security clearance to access the Centre.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT PROGRAM

The program provides employment to full-time undergraduate Ryerson students with proven financial need in career-oriented, academically relevant, Ryerson SRC programs. Students must meet financial need guidelines and be an Ontario resident.

SUMMER DEADLINE: February 21, 2006

Duration: mid-May to mid-August
15 weeks, 35 hrs per wk, \$12/hr.
Value: \$7,500 including benefits.

This program is funded from the 30% tuition increase that the provincial government mandates universities set aside for student financial assistance. 100% government funded. Students must meet financial need guidelines, be an Ontario resident and return to Ryerson for Fall/Winter semester.

FALL/WINTER DEADLINE: May 10, 2006

Duration: September to March 23

This program is 75% (\$1,500) funded by the Ontario government and 25% (\$500) funded by the faculty member's school/department or research project.

Provides part-time (15 hrs/week, max 72.5 per semester for a total of 145 hrs. \$12/hr) to full-time undergraduate students.

Recent Highlights

OCE Discovery 2006: Conference and Exposition

Discovery 2006, sponsored by the Ontario Centres of Excellence was attended by close to 1200 participants. The conference and exposition was an opportunity to network with representatives from the OCE groups: Centre for Communications and Information Technology, Centre for Earth and Environmental Technologies, Centre for Energy, Centre for Materials and Manufacturing and Centre for Photonics.

Ryerson was represented by two booths, one managed by ORS staff and engineering and the other managed by Dr. Lev Kirichian from the Embedded and Reconfigurable Systems Laboratory (ERSL). The ORS booth featured an introduction to research at Ryerson including Robotics Grinding and Polishing, Arterial Pulse Analysis, Radio Over Fiber and Green Roof. At the ERSL booth, several reconfigurable systems which have great potential for commercialization in multimedia and home entertainment, digital telecommunication and broadcasting, space borne computing platforms for space vision and advanced robotics plus systems for laboratory automation and small flexible manufacturing systems were featured.

The OCE launched its new branding image with its new slogan "Where Next Happens". Premier Dalton McGuinty spoke at the luncheon emphasizing that we as a province have to continue to educate, innovate and commercialize. Ontario needs to "invest in human capital" he said. As the Premier and Minister of Research and Innovation, McGuinty said that it is also not sufficient to have a culture of innovation; there must be an improvement in the investment environment for new and emerging companies in Ontario. McGuinty said that his government is developing a risk-capital strategy in the coming months to assist in creating this environment.

When McGuinty referenced past successes of OCE funding, he mentioned research in arterial pulse analysis which resulted in a wireless heart monitoring system. This research is taking place at Ryerson in Dr. Sri Krishnan's laboratory in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Theresa Erskine, MBA, PEng
Business Development
Office of Research Services



RYERSON BOOTH at the OCE Discovery 2006 Conference and Exposition (from left to right) Theresa R.Erskine, MBA, PEng, Business Development, ORS; Dr. Judith Sandys, Associate Vice President, Academic, Dr. Heather Gallant, Industry Liaison Manager, ORS.



ERSL: Embedded Reconfigurable System Lab Booth (Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering).

Who is Who at ORS

Who is Who at ORS: put a face to the name

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Elizabeth began her employment in the Office of Research Services in October 2005 but her relationship with Ryerson goes back to 1997 when she was an ambitious (and youthful) CE student. During her time at Ryerson, she served as Vice President of Public Relations on the Continuing Education Students' Association of Ryerson (CESAR) Board. Her commitment to Ryerson as a whole garnered a Dennis Mock Student Leadership Award.

Prior to joining Ryerson, Elizabeth held various marketing and communications roles at for- and not-for-profit agencies. In simpler times, Elizabeth worked at The Toronto Zoo where she still holds a fondness for the common marmoset and an aversion for the Brazilian giant cockroach.

At ORS, Elizabeth provides administrative support to Robert Dirstein, Director.

Elizabeth assists Mary Jane Curtis, Coordinator, Communication and Internal Programs with internal funding programs which include: SSHRC-SIG Research, SSHRC-International Travel, the Ryerson New Faculty SRC Development Fund, Ryerson Creative Fund, Ryerson International Research Fund, and the Research Assistant programs. Elizabeth provides special event assistance supporting research. She is currently working on the Canada Research Chair Reception, a joint event hosted by the Associate Vice President, Academic (Research and Innovation) and the President's office.

Elizabeth also serves as university liaison for Community of Science (COS).

In her spare time, Elizabeth enjoys volunteer work, traveling and running. She is currently training to complete the Sporting Life 10K in May where she looks forward to "running the world's longest street **DOWNHILL**". Her immediate plan, though, is to redeem the free coffee coupon from the Tim Hortons "Roll Up the Rim" campaign.

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