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UPCOMING ORS EVENTS

Ryerson Creative Fund

Information Session: Wednesday, November 9, 2005

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., EPH 433

Faculty Guest Speaker: Ruth Panofsky, English, Faculty of Arts (2005 Ryerson Creative Fund award winner)

This session will be an overview of program guidelines and online submission process.

DEADLINE: December 1, 2005

Funding: up to \$5,000

Eligibility: Full-time tenured, tenure-track, or limited-term faculty members

Provides a small number of grants to support 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.

Ryerson New Faculty SRC Development Fund

Information Session: Wednesday, December 14, 2005

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., EPH 433

Faculty Guest Speaker: Hyacinth Simpson, English, Faculty of Arts (2005 Ryerson New Faculty SRC Development Fund award winner)

This session will be an overview of program guidelines and online submission process.

DEADLINE: January 10, 2006

Funding: up to \$10,000

Eligibility:

- Have not been a PI on an external grant from a federal granting council or equivalent
- Have some support from the Faculty/School
- Have not received funding from this program

Provides funding to new faculty within the first two 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.

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.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

November 11 - OCE/ETech Network Graduate Student Conference Travel

November 14 - CIHR Team Grant Program (Letter of Intent (LOI))

November 28 - NSERC International Polar Year Projects

November 30 - CAMH Hewton Memorial Bursaries for Archival Research

December 1 - Imperial Oil University Research Awards Program

December 5 - Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation Community Health Promotion

December 14 - Health Canada RFA (Trends in Risk Management)

December 15 - CIHR Investigator Awards (Industry Partnered) Registration

December 16 - PRECARN Full Proposal NCE Sustainable Forest Management Network Full Proposal)

December 19 - HSFO Stroke Rehabilitation (LOI)
HSFO Age 45+ (LOI)

January 2 - Prostate Cancer Research Foundation of Canada Grant

February 15 - CIHR Investigator Awards (Industry Partnered) Registration

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UPCOMING ORS EVENTS

Intellectual Property Primer Series

This fall and winter, the Office of Research Services is offering a series of six educational sessions focusing on intellectual property, research and commercialization of inventions.

Technology Transfer is a hot topic these days, but do you know how it can apply to your reasearch? This is an opportunity to learn about the nuances, as well as some not-so subtle aspects of inventing and innovating as a part of your overall research program. Sessions are practical and should provoke discussion, increase familiarity with relevant issues and inspire creative and commercial facets of your activities at the University.

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

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.

Wednesday, November 9, 2005
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
EPH 433

Tuesday, March 7, 2006
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
EPH 433

What is a confidentiality agreement and what is it really for?

What is reasonable and what isn't in a confidentiality agreement? Who does it protect and for whom does it represent a liability? When is it necessary? Learn the answers to these and other questions. Light lunch provided.

Friday, November 25, 2005
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
EPH 433

Thursday, March 26, 2006
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
EPH 433

Sharing your research materials: Do you need a materials transfer agreement?

Sharing of resources and knowledge is one of the hallmarks of academic life. However there may be occasions where you want to place restrictions on the material(s) you lend others. Conversely you need to be aware of restrictions and their implications on the material(s) on loan to you. Light lunch provided.

Tuesday, January 10, 2006
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., EPH 433

Commercializing Your IP at Ryerson Attention Inventors:

ORS provides services, advice and education in Technology Transfer, Industry Liason Activities, and Protection of Intellectual Property. Come and discover the support services available to you at Ryerson to commercialize your IP. Light lunch provided.

Monday, January 23, 2006
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
EPH 433

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.

Tuesday, February 7, 2006
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
EPH 433

Don't blow it! How to protect your IP while doing re-search at a University

What are the practical steps and precautions that you need to take in order to protect your Intellectual Property within a university. Light lunch provided.

Friday, February 10, 2006
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
EPH 433

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TRI - AGENCY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

NSERC - Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada

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

NSERC JOHN C. POLANYI AWARD For an Outstanding Advance in the Natural Sciences or Engineering Nomination deadline: March 1, 2006

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

The NSERC John C. Polanyi Award was created to recognize and support a university researcher or team of researchers whose work has led to a recent outstanding Canadian advance in a field of the natural sciences or engineering.

Eligibility

To be considered for the Award, candidates must:

- Be nominated by two active researchers from the Canadian science and engineering research community;
- Hold an NSERC grant. If a team is being nominated, one team member must hold an NSERC grant; and
- Have received NSERC support for the research that led to the advance for which the individual/team is being nominated.

In the case of a team nomination, members may be from academia, government or industry, and may be research associates, postdoctoral fellows or students.

The research described in the nomination must fall within one of the research areas that NSERC supports.

The winning individual or team will receive a medal and a research grant of \$250,000. There is an institutional letter/signature requirement for the Nominee and any Ryerson University faculty member who is either a nominator or nominee is asked to contact the Office of Research Services prior to the deadline to arrange for this component of the package.

Research Opportunities

CIHR – CANADIAN INSTITUTES FOR HEALTH RESEARCH

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

GRANT PROGRAMS

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27195.html>

Operating Grants

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22377.html>

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - February 1, 2006
Application to ORS - February 23, 2006
Agency - March 1, 2006

Operating Grants - Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance - CBCRA/CIHR Operating Grants

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22501.html>

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - February 1, 2006
Application to ORS - February 21, 2006
Agency - March 1, 2006

Operating Grants - Development and Commercialization of Medical and Assistive Technologies by

Ontario Researchers: Reducing Waiting Times of Enhancing Service Throughputs

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29197.html>

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - November 18, 2005
Application to ORS - January 25, 2006
Agency - February 1, 2006

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

SALARY PROGRAMS

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27196.html>

Investigator Awards - Industry Partnered

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22434.html>

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - December 15, 2005
Application to ORS - February 8, 2006
Agency - February 15, 2006

Investigator Awards - Industry Partnered

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22434.html>

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - February 15, 2005
Application to ORS - April 8, 2006
Agency - April 15, 2006

New Investigator Awards - Industry Partnered

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22433.html>

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - December 15, 2005
Application to ORS - February 8, 2006
Agency - February 15, 2006

New Investigator Awards - Industry Partnered

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22433.html>

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - February 15, 2005
Application to ORS - April 8, 2006
Agency - April 15, 2006

TRAINING PROGRAMS

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27197.html>

Advancing the Science to Reduce Tobacco Abuse and Nicotine Addiction Initiative: Student Research Grants (CTCRI grant)

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27511.html>

Deadlines:

Application to ORS - December 1, 2005
Agency - December 30, 2005

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<http://www.ryerson.ca/ors>

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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

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

Major Collaborative Research Initiatives (MCRI)

Deadlines:

Nomination/Registration/LOI - January 31, 2005

Application to ORS - August 25, 2006

Agency - September 1, 2006

STRATEGIC RESEARCH GRANTS

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_index_e.asp#2

The Social Economy Suite Regional Node Grants

Deadlines:

Application to ORS - November 24, 2005

Agency - December 1, 2005

INITIATIVE ON THE NEW ECONOMY

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_index_e.asp#4

Crossing Boundaries Research Initiative

Deadlines:

Application to ORS - November 18, 2005

Agency - November 25, 2005

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Message from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada:

Please be advised that SSHRC is currently scheduling the deadline for the next competition in Research/Creation Grants in Fine Arts for September 2006. Competition results would then be announced in April 2007.

SSHRC Launches New Initiative to Move Knowledge Into Active Service

As part of an on-going process of transforming itself from a granting council to a knowledge council, SSHRC has launched a pilot initiative aimed at developing better methods of moving social sciences and humanities research from academe into broader society.

For complete details, please see the program description at:

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

OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

OCE/ETech NETWORK GRADUATE STUDENT CONFERENCE TRAVEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Deadline extended to: November 11, 2005 (12 noon)

<http://www.crestech.ca/network/cta.htm>

The Ontario Centres of Excellence Earth and Environmental Technologies (ETech), formerly CRESTech offers funding for graduate student to travel to, attend, and present at a local, national or international conferences.

Support is available for up to \$1,200 to present CRESTech-related research at a conference of the graduate student's choosing; presentations may be either oral and/or by poster. Funds may be applied to travel, accommodations, attendance fees, and/or presentation materials.

For more information and the application form, please visit the link above, or contact Leanne Gelsthorpe, Network Manager, at leanne.gelsthorpe@oce-ontario.org, or at 519-888-4423. Applications for the next review must be received by Friday, November 11, 2005 at noon.

HEALTH CANADA

RFA for Primary Research Projects:

Trends in Risk Management

Deadline: December 14, 2005

http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/sr-sr/finance/hprp-prpms/current-cour/rfa-ad-025_e.html

The Health Policy Research Program is seeking primary research to enhance the evidence base informing risk management and its inter-relationship with regulatory development in Canada. The research will improve the understanding of the relationships between risk perception, and the specific issue being managed, risk communication, instrument choice, and trust in government action.

Primary research is needed on:

- What risk communication means to the public, including the public's expectation with respect to what information should be relayed and how it should be relayed;
- The impact of risk communication on the level of trust in government action;
- The relationship between the level of understanding or perception of a given risk and stakeholder confidence that the regulator will select the right course of action;
- The influence of stakeholder risk perception on the policy instrument chosen to mitigate a particular risk;
- The relationship between the perception of risks associated with new technologies, knowledge of these technologies and their uptake, e.g., genetic testing, pharmacogenomics, gene therapy, etc.;
- Different tools and approaches for increasing the health practitioner and/or the public's understanding of new or potential risks.

Further details can be found on the HPRP website:

http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/sr-sr/finance/hprp-prpms/current-cour/rfa-ad-025_e.html

Interested applicants must discuss the context of potential applications with Health Canada prior to registration and access to the application form. The HC policy contact is Laurent G mar, Senior Policy Analyst, Health Canada tel. 613 954 1455, email:

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OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

HEART & STROKE FOUNDATION OF ONTARIO

Stroke Rehabilitation

Deadlines:

December 19, 2005 Letter of Intent

April 21, 2006 for Full Application

http://www.hsf.ca/research/guidelines/PROV/on_StrokeRehab_terms06.html

HSFO invites multi-institute (within Ontario), multi-investigator, multi-disciplined, collaborative applications to support research projects in stroke rehabilitation.

It is anticipated that two to three awards will be made, supporting projects with annual costs of up to \$250,000 for a period of three years, subject to fund availability. Shared funding from other sources to support research projects is welcome.

All proposals must address stroke rehabilitation research and leverage current knowledge. In addition, at least one of the following three areas of stroke rehabilitation identified by Stroke Canada Optimization of Rehabilitation by Evidence (SCORE) must be the focus of proposal.

- Multimodal program of community-based support to enhance community reintegration
- The benefit of rehabilitation for persons with severe stroke
- The ideal timing and intensity of aphasia therapy

The project emphasis is on producing results that can directly translate into better practice, or committed change in behaviour. Interventional studies are favoured over observational or descriptive findings.

This competition will not fund general information gathering projects or projects that focus on pharmacological research interventions.

ELIGIBILITY

The application should be made by an Ontario-based multidisciplinary collaboration led by a Principal Investigator (PI) holding an academic appointment or equivalent in Ontario. The PI of the group must be a scientist with proven excellence in the area of the proposed research. In addition, the PI should have a proven track record in organizational and administrative roles and assume such duties for the research project in the case of multi-institute proposals. The PI of the research project is required to have a significant level of involvement in the project.

The project should reflect a collaborative team consisting of researchers at different stages of their careers, e.g., mid-career, doctoral, post-doctoral investigators and mentors. The team should also have a multidisciplinary focus that includes members from different disciplines such as occupational therapists, nurses and physiotherapists.

Further details on this program including guidelines and application procedures can be found at the HSFO website:

http://www.hsf.ca/research/guidelines/PROV/on_StrokeRehab_terms06.html

IMPERIAL OIL

University Research Awards Program

Deadline: December 1: Full Application (ORS and Imperial Oil)

Note that applications must be printed and signed by the Chair and Dean of the Principal Investigator, as well as ORS prior to being submitted electronically. <http://www.imperialoil.ca>.

University Research Awards are designed to encourage research at Canadian universities in areas of interest to Imperial Oil's petroleum, petrochemical and energy resource development businesses. These areas include the fields of engineering, environmental, earth, chemical, and physical sciences.

If you are intending to submit an application to this program, please be aware that Imperial Oil will receive a non-exclusive royalty-free license **including rights to commercially exploit any intellectual property** developed in the course of the project.

CANADIAN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION

Call for Applications Community Health Promotion Grant Program

Deadline: December 5, 2005

<http://www.cbcf.org/ontario> and click on What We Fund, then Community Health

The CBCF – Ontario Chapter announces funding available under the Community Health Promotion Grant Program:

- Assessment & Planning Grants;
- Community Project Grants; and
- Community-Based Research Grants

The range of grant types offered under this program reflect CBCF's intent to build capacity for and to strengthen the use of participatory approaches in research and health promotion programming in breast health and breast cancer.

Eligible Projects

Applications are encouraged from applicants who show understanding of the wide array of health promotion strategies available to meet community needs across the continuum of breast cancer and breast health and who will apply them in a manner suitable to the target audience. Strategies may include:

- Education/skill building
- Policy development/advocacy
- Creating supportive social environments
- Community development
- Capacity building
- Resource development

For more information about Assessment & Planning Grants and Community-Based Research Grants, please visit the CBCF website at <http://www.cbcf.org/ontario> and click on What We Fund, then Community Health.

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.

OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

HEART & STROKE FOUNDATION OF ONTARIO

Age 45+ with Elevated Systolic Blood Pressure

Deadlines:

**December 19, 2005 for Letter of Intent
April 21, 2006 for Full Applications**

http://www.hsf.ca/research/guidelines/PROV/on_45Systolic06.html

This special initiative is open to the research community. HSFO invites multi-investigator, multi-disciplined, collaborative applications supporting research projects on 45+ elevated systolic blood pressure. Projects with annual costs of up to \$500,000 with a total project budget not to exceed \$1,500,000 over three to four years will be considered, subject to fund availability. It is anticipated that one to three awards may be supported by this competition.

ELIGIBILITY

The application should be made by a multidisciplinary collaboration. The PI of the group, must be from Ontario, other investigators may be from Ontario, or if necessary, outside Ontario, but within Canada. The PI of the group must be a scientist with proven excellence in the area of proposed research.

Organizations eligible to be considered to receive and administer funds are universities, affiliated hospitals, research institutions and post-secondary institutions with a research mandate.

GUIDANCE ON RESEARCH FOCUS

Applicants are encouraged to submit creative, innovative submissions. In addition, projects that leverage and build on current knowledge will be looked at favourably.

All proposals must address elevated systolic blood pressure in the 45+ age group (including individuals 45 years of age and older).

Within the scope of the project, possibilities include, but are not limited to:

- General Education – transfer of emerging knowledge of elevated systolic blood pressure with a focus on public, patients and providers
- Messaging and Awareness – adoption of key hypertension management messages into provider practice
- Treatment – the most effective patient treatment(s) with a provider focus
- Ongoing follow-up and awareness related to adherence and/or self-management
- Evaluation – effective measures and indicators to evaluate management and control of hypertension focusing on 45+ elevated systolic blood pressure

Further details on this program including guidelines and application procedures can be found at the HSFO website:

http://www.hsf.ca/research/guidelines/PROV/on_45Systolic06.html

CIHR ANNOUNCEMENT

CIHR/PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEALTH SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT

Call for Letters of Intent

(1) Managing for Quality and Safety/ Infections Acquired in Hospitals

(2) HIV/AIDS Research Initiative

Deadline: December 15, 2005 for Letters of Intent

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29354.html>

This initiative supports teams of researchers and decision-makers interested in conducting applied health research useful to health system managers and/or policy makers over the next two-to-five years.

The CIHR contribution to each project is (maximum) \$150,000 over the life of the project (up to a maximum of 3 years); applications are required to find matching funding.

(1) Managing for Quality and Safety/ Infections Acquired in Hospitals

The Institute of Infection and Immunity (III) is specifically interested in research on the role of the physical environment and the use of novel biomaterials in reducing hospital acquired infections and the need for antibiotics. Applications from multidisciplinary research teams that include a health care provider, decision maker and researchers from the physical/engineering and life sciences fields are strongly encouraged. Please visit the CIHR link <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29354.html> for more information on this initiative.

Eligible topics might include but are not limited to:

- temperature changes (patient and environmental) during surgery to reduce the risk of infection
- technologies such as gamma irradiation, UV light for water or surface sterilization etc.
- use of biomaterials with built-in antibacterial activity such as novel antiseptics, heavy metals, surfactants, anti-infective cement for implants, and ultra smooth materials for stitches, catheters and stents that resist biofilm formation.

(2) HIV/AIDS Research Initiative

The Institute of Infection and Immunity is interested in research which provides data and information to:

- improve capacity to increase access to care, treatment and support
- assist in the development of new programs along the prevention-care continuum for people living with HIV/AIDS, gay men, injection drug users, Aboriginal people, prison inmates, youth and women at risk for HIV.

Please visit the following CIHR link: <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/29354.html> for more information on this initiative.

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 LETTER of INTENT: November 30, 2005 DEADLINE: January 31, 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.

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.

RYERSON PUBLICATION FUND DEADLINE: June 1, 2006

This program is supported by a grant from the AVPA to assist faculty members in defraying the costs of publishing scholarly works which have limited market potential and to assist faculty in establishing a scholarly publication record.

Manuscript Preparation	\$1,000
Publishing Subvention	\$2,500
Learned Journal Subsidy	\$2,500
Conference Proceedings	\$2,500

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.

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Who is Who at ORS

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Theresa Erskine is the Business Development Program Officer. She is new to Ryerson – really new. Theresa has been here since the day after Thanksgiving.

Theresa has a BSc(Eng) from the University of Guelph with a major in Biological Engineering. Her first position in industry however was that of a software developer working for Montreal Engineering Company (now known as Agra Monenco). Doing different things and trying not to do the same thing again has always interested Theresa. Some might say looking at her resume that she could not decide upon her real interest or industry. That may be true, but Theresa thinks of it as more of an objective to always experience something new and to be challenged in different ways.

Theresa left software development to join 3M Canada in London as an industrial engineer and then mechanical engineer. From there she and her husband moved to Barrie when Theresa accepted a position at Baxter Corporation in Alliston. Theresa was the New Product Development manager responsible for new product introductions into the Canadian manufacturing facilities.

While at Baxter, Theresa made the move from a technical position into marketing accepting the role as marketing manager for intravenous therapy. Since then, Theresa has remained in sales, marketing and business development. Theresa got back into the software industry after leaving Baxter (with the exception of a two year stint as a marketing manager for a pre-cast concrete company in between!) Theresa has held direct sales, channel sales and marketing positions with software companies including Argus Technologies, DataMirror, InSystems and the Software Group. Theresa found the software industry an interesting and fast paced work environment. She enjoyed the industry, met very interesting people (like Bill Gates) and she enjoyed the opportunity to travel in North America and overseas. Theresa wanted to enhance her business experience with academic credentials so she completed a MBA from the Ivey School of Business, University of Western Ontario in 2003.

Ryerson is Theresa's first experience working in an academic environment. Over the next couple of years, Theresa hopes to apply her business development experience from various industries for the benefit of Ryerson. Theresa's mandate is to foster industry/university partnerships to increase research funding and to help commercialize the benefits of research completed at Ryerson.

Theresa has lived in the near north since moving to Barrie in the 1980s. She enjoys the outdoors around the family cottage on Georgian Bay. In the summer, Theresa can be found seadooning, boating and kayaking and in the winter, she snowshoes and skis. Theresa is married to Dale, an engineer and surveyor and they have two daughters who are in university.

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