

INTERNAL RESEARCH GRANT (IRG) 2019 COMPETITION PROGRAM GUIDELINES

PURPOSE:

The Internal Research Grant (IRG) program supports research pursuits through the funding of fully developed research proposals. Researchers are especially encouraged to provide high-quality student training opportunities and to propose collaborations with others from different, but complementary, disciplines.

This program is not intended to support ongoing, established programs of research. Therefore, this program will support three categories of investigators:

- 1) new faculty members (applicants who have been independent academic investigators for six years or less) who are looking to initiate/build their program of research,
- 2) investigators seeking bridge funding to maintain program momentum between gaps in external funding, and
- 3) investigators looking to conduct pilot work to move into a new area of research.

The Internal Research Grant program will support applications that align with the mandates of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and/or the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC). Researchers in the social sciences and humanities must apply to the UPEI SSHRC Explore Research Grant (SERG) program. Please visit "Selecting the Appropriate Federal Granting Agency" for more information on agency mandates. Applicants cannot apply for both an IRG and the SERG in the same competition year.

VALUE: up to \$5000 for a one-year term

APPLICATION DEADLINE & COMPETITION RESULTS:

Deadline: November 30 2018 by 4pm

Notification: February 2019

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

Tenured, Tenure Track, Term and Sessional UPEI Faculty in Arts, Science, Business, Education, or Nursing, and Librarians, who are employed by UPEI at the time of application and for the duration of the award. A professor emeritus may apply as co-applicant with a tenured UPEI faculty member. Please review general information below for other eligibility considerations.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Grants support the direct costs of research e.g., research assistance, operating expenses, research
 travel/subsistence, manuscript preparation, materials and supplies, etc. Ineligible expenses include:
 consultation fees paid to other faculty members, subcontracting of research, purchase of books, retro-active
 research expenses, and grant over-expenditures. Grants may not be used to travel for the purpose of
 attending a conference for dissemination of results.
- Applicants may hold only one internal research grant at a time. Grants are awarded for a 'stand-alone' project; thus, if the proposed project is linked to other research projects, applicants are required to briefly

- describe how the proposed research project differs from those projects and how it is linked to an overall research program (200 words).
- Applicants who received an IRG in 2018 are not eligible to apply for an IRG or a SERG in the 2019
 competition, and applicants who receive an IRG in the 2019 competition will not be eligible to apply for an
 IRG or an SERG in the 2020 competition, in order to distribute funds to a greater number of applicants.