
Canada Foundation for Innovation - Innovation Fund (2025)

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Program

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Description

The objectives of the Innovation Fund competition are to:

- Enable internationally competitive research or technology development through the equitable participation of expert team members.
- Enhance and optimize the capacity of institutions and research communities to conduct the proposed research or technology development program(s) over the useful life of the infrastructure.
- Lead to social, health, environmental and/or economic benefits for Canadians.

The 2025 competition is expected to launch as early as Fall 2023. To position University of Guelph applications for success, the Research Services Offices is launching the internal process of development and evaluation in February 2023.

Eligibility

Aligned with CFI objectives and criteria, the University will allocate CFI envelope competitively based on:

- internationally competitive research or technology development;
- composition and expertise of the team;
- necessary and appropriate infrastructure that enhances existing capacity;
- well-defined plan to transfer the results of the research or technology development program(s) that will lead to benefits for Canadians.

The following institutional considerations will also be taken into account:

- alignment with institutional priority and prior investments;
- potential partnerships with other institutions (with access to other institutional envelopes);
- financial risk (especially where construction and renovation budgets are significant).

Maximum Project Value

Total project costs must be greater than \$1 million for proposals to be considered for this competition.

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Monday, March 27, 2023 - 8:30am	<p>NOIs are due to Manager, Strategic Research Programs (Applicants to the last competition do not need to complete this step). See NOI Requirements [1] for details.</p> <p>NOIs are for planning purposes only, and to initiate consultation and collaboration between applicant, Office of Research, the College, and Physical Resources (PR), as needed.</p>
Internal Deadline	Monday, June 5, 2023 - 8:30am	<p>EOIs from new applicants are due to Manager, Strategic Research Programs [2]. See EOI requirements [3] for details.</p> <p>Applicants to the last competition are asked to inform Manager, Strategic Research Programs [2] if they are interested in resubmitting and are invited to provide any updates since last submission.</p>

How to Apply

1. Submit an NOI by internal deadline of March 27.
2. Submit an EOI by internal deadline of June 5. EOIs will be evaluated and selected by the University's CFI IF Committee. For more details on requirements and process, please see [Innovation Fund | Office of Research \(uoguelph.ca\)](#) [4]

Information For Co-applicants

Please see [Innovation Fund | Office of Research \(uoguelph.ca\)](#) [4] for full details on the timeline and requirements for Co-Applicants.

For Questions, please contact

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[1] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/for-researchers/funding/apply/CFI/IF#collapseAcc3Tenhttps://www.uoguelph.ca/research/for-researchers/funding/apply/CFI/IF#collapseAcc3Ten>

[2] <mailto:ailsakay@uoguelph.ca?subject=CFI%20IF%20inquiry>

[3] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/for-researchers/funding/apply/CFI/IF#EOI>

[4] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/for-researchers/funding/apply/CFI/IF>

[5] <mailto:ailsakay@uoguelph.ca>