
Launch of new SSHRC Connection Grants – Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative

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Connection Grant: Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative

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[Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative - Connection Grants](#) [1]

Description

To help the Canadian social sciences and humanities research community better understand data management and incorporate data management considerations into research practices, [SSHRC's Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative](#) [1] offers [Connection Grants](#) [2] to support the research community's development, adoption and dissemination of research data management standards, practices, tools and skills appropriate to their field.

[Research data management](#) [3] supports the effective and responsible conduct of research, and increases the ability to store, find and reuse research data. A strong culture of data management will serve Canadian research excellence and support the development of social sciences and humanities insights. It will also benefit Canadian researchers working in international partnerships and collaborations as funders around the globe implement and strengthen data management requirements.

Please note, this is a new initiative offered as part of regular Connection Grants. As such, the instructions/guidelines of [Connection Grants](#) [2] still apply. The Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative is offered during the February 1st, May 1st, & August 1st, 2019 intake dates.

Eligibility

Applicants (except postdoctoral researchers) must be affiliated with an [eligible Canadian](#)

[institution](#) [4] at the time of application. Researchers who maintain an affiliation with a Canadian postsecondary institution, but whose primary affiliation is with a non-Canadian postsecondary institution, are not eligible for [applicant/project director status](#) [5] in a Connection Grants application.

Postdoctoral researchers are eligible to be applicants or project directors for a Connection Grant. However, in order for SSHRC to release grant funds, applicants/project directors must formally establish an affiliation with an [eligible Canadian institution](#) [4] (postsecondary) within three months of the grant start date and maintain such an affiliation for the duration of the grant period.

Individuals may apply, as an applicant, for only one Connection Grant per calendar year. An applicant may not apply for or hold more than one Connection Grant for the same event or outreach activity. Applicants or project directors on an active SSHRC Connection Grant cannot be the applicant or project director for another individual or institutional Connection Grant.

Maximum Project Value

\$7,000 to \$25,000 for events, and up to \$50,000 for other outreach activities

Note: SSHRC will not fund the full cost of any connection event or outreach activity. Additional support in the form of cash and/or in-kind contributions (excluding registration fees), equivalent to a minimum of 50 per cent of the amount requested from SSHRC, must come from sponsoring organizations. For example, an applicant asking SSHRC for \$10,000 in funding will have to provide additional support equal to \$5,000. SSHRC will consider only those funds stemming from sponsoring organizations in its calculations of matching funds; individual contributions will not be considered in the calculation of matching funds.

Indirect Costs

0%

Project Duration

All activities must take place within 12 months of the date indicated on the notice of decision.

Special Notes

Research Data Management Capacity Building Initiative applications are subject to the Connection Grants [evaluation criteria and scoring](#) [6].

In addition, as part of its assessment of the proposal's relevance to the [objectives of the Connection program](#) [7], under the Connection Grants [Challenge criteria](#) [8], the merit review committee will evaluate the degree to which applications respond to one or more of the following objectives:

- develop and/or adopt data management standards, practices, tools and skills within and across disciplines and institutions, with a focus on the social sciences and humanities;
- connect researchers or students with data management professionals and service providers (e.g., librarians, programmers, specialists in research ethics, etc.), and other stakeholders (e.g., research subjects and users) to increase knowledge of data management;
- share and develop knowledge and skills relating to data collection and storage, metadata, preservation, retention, sharing, credit and citation;
- share and develop knowledge and skills related to the responsible ownership, control, access and possession of data used or created in the context of [Indigenous research](#) [9] (e.g., the application of [OCAP](#) [10][®] principles); and
- through other activities, enable the social sciences and humanities research community to strengthen its ability to fulfill the roles and responsibilities indicated in the [Tri-Agency Statement of Principles on Digital Data Management](#) [11], and the requirements proposed in the draft [tri-agency research data management policy](#) [12].

Proposals to conduct data management research, or for projects limited to management of particular datasets or databases, are not eligible. The focus must be on increasing the capacity of a broad group of researchers or students to manage data as a regular research activity.

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Friday, January 25, 2019 - 4:30pm	PI to submit a signed OR-5 form along with a copy of the full application to: research.services@uoguelph.ca [13] Please select 'submit' on the SSHRC Portal on or before the internal deadline.
External Deadline	Friday, February 1, 2019 - 8:00pm	Application will be submitted to SSHRC electronically by the Office of Research Services.
Internal Deadline	Wednesday, April 24, 2019 - 4:00pm	PI to submit a signed OR-5

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		form along with a copy of the full application to: research.services@uoguelph.ca [13] Please select 'submit' on the SSHRC Portal on or before the internal deadline.
External Deadline	Wednesday, May 1, 2019 - 8:00pm	Application will be submitted to SSHRC electronically by the Office of Research Services.
Internal Deadline	Thursday, July 25, 2019 - 4:00pm	PI to submit a signed OR-5 form along with a copy of the full application to: research.services@uoguelph.ca [13] Please select 'submit' on the SSHRC Portal on or before the internal deadline.
External Deadline	Thursday, August 1, 2019 - 8:00pm	Application will be submitted to SSHRC electronically by the Office of Research Services.

How to Apply

Applicants must complete the Connection Grants application form, and follow the accompanying instructions, as outlined in the [Connection Grants funding opportunity description](#) [2].

In their application form, initiative applicants must:

- select the “Data Management” option;

- under Keywords, include “Data Management;”
- under Expected Outcomes, detail the potential benefits and/or outcomes of the proposed event or outreach activity as they relate to data management; and
- under Description of Connection Project, demonstrate how the proposed event or outreach activity will support the initiative’s objectives, listed in Evaluation and Adjudication below.

Information For Co-applicants

If you need to meet a deadline set by the lead institution for this opportunity, please ensure that you provide the Office of Research with at least five days in advance of the lead institution’s deadline to review the application, or your proposed component of the project. Please be in touch with the Office of Research (contact information below) ahead of the deadline if it looks like it will be difficult for you to submit all the required documentation on time (i.e. budget, proposal, OR-5 Form).

For Questions, please contact

For more information about this initiative, or for advice on preparing your application, please contact:

Connection Grants

Tel.: 613-943-1007

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[1] http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/data_management-gestion_des_donnees-eng.aspx

[2] http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx

[3] <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/definitions-eng.aspx#a29>

[4] http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/about-au_sujet/policies-politiques/statements-enonces/institutional_eligibility-admissibilite_etablisements-eng.aspx

- [5] <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/definitions-eng.aspx#a1>
- [6] http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx#6
- [7] http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/connection-connexion-eng.aspx#a3
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