NSERC Research Tools & Instruments 2019 Competition

 Updated Information
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Additional information in Internal Deadline section: Note: If you are a researcher from CEPS and have submitted an Internal NOI to the College, you do not need to fill out the Internal NOI Form in the Attachments section.

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Research Tools & Instruments (RTI)

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Description

Research Tools and Instruments (RTI) grants foster and enhance the discovery, innovation and training capability of university researchers in the natural sciences and engineering by supporting the purchase of research equipment.

RTI Grants are one-year awards of up to $150,000 that assist in the purchase or fabrication of research equipment with a net cost between $7,001 and $250,000 (excluding taxes, customs and importation fees, transportation and shipping charges, assembly and installation costs). The research community is also encouraged to explore other avenues for funding research tools and

instruments, including NSERC's other programs that include the purchase of equipment as eligible expenses, such as Discovery Grants.

Eligibility

In addition to NSERC's [Eligibility Criteria for faculty](#) [5], applicants and co-applicants must:

- Hold a minimum three-year appointment (fulltime, contract or adjunct) in an academic position with a firm offer in writing at the time of application; and
- Hold or have applied for (submitted) Discovery, Strategic (Networks and Projects), CRD, or NSERC-funded Canada Research Chair funding

In the event the applicant is not successful in obtaining a Discovery Grant while concurrently applying to the RTI Program, each case will be reviewed to determine if there are ample funds from other NSERC research grants to conduct the research linked to the RTI request.

The previous university quotas were removed effective last year, so all eligible Canadian university researchers will be able to participate on one application per competition, either as an applicant or a co?applicant, but not both.

Maximum Project Value

$150,000 in support for research tools and instruments with a net cost between $7,001 and $250,000 (excluding taxes, customs and importation fees, transportation and shipping charges, and assembly and installation costs). Net cost represents the cost of the equipment after any discount from the vendor. Vendor discount must be free of conditions, restrictions, or limitations (e.g., cannot be offered in exchange for services from users benefiting the vendor company).

NSERC will only accept requests:

- For tools and instruments that form a comprehensive system intended to support NSERC funded research in the natural sciences and engineering (bundling of unrelated tools and instruments, or of duplicate tools and instruments intended for different uses, will not be accepted).
- For the purchase of new, used or refurbished equipment, or for the repair or upgrade of equipment, or for the fabrication of equipment that is not readily available off the shelf.
- For equipment that is purchased after the application deadline.

Note that equipment and items that are part of laboratory infrastructure or intended to render other equipment compliant with health and safety standards are not eligible for RTI support.

For more information on eligible expenses under the RTI program, see the [instructions](#) [6] on how to complete an RTI application.

RTI awards must be used to purchase only the specific type of equipment for which the grant

was awarded. Grantees who wish to purchase equipment different from that specified in the application must obtain written permission from NSERC Finance [7] prior to its purchase. Grantees may, however, buy a model different from that requested in the application without prior NSERC approval.

Indirect Costs

0%

Special Notes

NSERC RTI Informational Webinars (advanced registration not required):

English Sessions: [8] Thursday, August 30, 2018 & Thursday, September 13, 2018: 1-3pm EST

French Sessions [9]: Thursday, August 23, 2018 & Tuesday, September 11, 2018: 1-3pm EST

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Monday, September 10, 2018 - 4:30pm	**NOI Deadline** Applicants should submit NOI package (see attached template) to research.services@uoguelph.ca [1] with the following information: 1. PI (Lead applicant) 2. Co-applicants and the institutions 3. Project title 4. Equipment requested 5. A copy of applicants' formal appointment letters for those without regular full-time appointments (i.e. contractually-limited or adjunct)

Type	Date	Notes
		These NOI packages will be shared with the Colleges to determine eligibility and subject matter overlap. All eligible applicants will be notified of approval to move to full application by September 18, 2018.

Note: If you are a researcher from CEPS and have submitted an Internal NOI to the College, you do not need to fill out the Internal NOI Form in the Attachments section. |
| **Internal Deadline** | Thursday, October 18, 2018 - 4:30pm | **Full Application Deadline**

Applicant submits a signed OR-5 to: research.services@uoguelph.ca [1]. Research also clicks "submit" in the Research Portal so the final Full Application appears on the Office of Research server. |
| **External Deadline** | Thursday, October 25, 2018 - 8:00pm | Final application will be submitted to NSERC online by the Office of Research Services. |

How to Apply

To apply, all interested applicants must complete the NOI process through the Office of Research based on the requirements outlined in the "Deadlines" section above.

Applicants moving to a Full Application must complete and submit an Application for Research Tools and Instruments. Each applicant and co-applicant must also submit a Canadian Common CV (CCV). The application and CCV(s) must be submitted to the Office of Research by the internal deadline date. The institution will then consider which applications to submit to NSERC on the basis of its own internal selection process.

If a cash contribution towards the purchase of the equipment is provided by an organization (other than the applicant's and/or co-applicants' institution[s]), a letter from the organization confirming this commitment is required. Such letters must clearly explain the financial contribution that the organization will provide to the purchase of the equipment.

Cash contributions from the applicant's or co-applicant's NSERC Discovery Grant do not require written authorization from NSERC. However, evidence that authorization was obtained from NSERC to use funds from other types of NSERC grants (e.g. CRD grant) is required.

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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).

Attachment(s)

Attachment	Size
NSERC RTI Internal NOI Form [10]	28.06 KB

For Questions, please contact
Research Grants General Inquiries: 613-995-5829; resgrant@nserc-crsng.gc.ca [11]

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