

Research on Research Joint Initiative

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Description

For the purposes of this joint initiative, metaresearch (also known in different contexts as research on research, metascience or the science of science) is defined as a field of research that draws on old and new disciplinary and methodological approaches to test, evaluate and experiment with different aspects of research systems, cultures and decision-making. It aims to ensure the full potential of research can be realized in ways that are rigorous, transparent, fair and evidence-informed. Metaresearch can be conducted by researchers in any disciplinary field.

This joint initiative aims to:

- Build knowledge and understanding on metaresearch, i.e., the application of rigorous methods and analysis to the practice of research itself—its methods, incentives, standards and evaluation—and the practices of how that research is funded, communicated, applied and evaluated;

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- Produce data on metaresearch that may have impacts on research and innovation policy and funding practices in Canada and other jurisdictions;
- Take part in knowledge mobilization among Canadian and international researchers, including members of RoRI's consortium, to contribute to the development of research and innovation policies and research funding practices;
- Provide training for students and highly qualified personnel;
- Build collaborations among researchers working on metaresearch, both in Canada and internationally.

SSHRC welcomes applications involving [Indigenous research](#) [6], as well as those involving [research-creation](#) [7].

Eligibility

Subject matter:

Proposals may be led by researchers from any discipline, and may involve any disciplines, thematic areas, approaches or subject areas, provided the primary discipline and objective of the proposal is metaresearch.

Projects whose primary objective is curriculum development, preparation of teaching materials, organization of a conference or workshop, digitization of a collection or creation of a database are not eligible for funding under this funding opportunity.

Applicants:

Applications can be submitted by an individual applicant or a team (consisting of one primary [applicant](#) [8] and one or more [partners](#) [9], [co-applicants](#) [10] and/or [collaborators](#) [11]).

Individuals can apply, as a primary [applicant](#) [8], for only one grant within the joint initiative at a time. Individuals may be co-applicants and/or collaborators on multiple applications.

Funding Availability

SSHRC, CIHR and Health Research BC aim to fund approximately nine grants.

Maximum Project Value

Up to \$200,000

Successful applicants will be required to reserve funds to travel and participate in a knowledge mobilization event or conference to share findings of the research (details to be provided to successful applicants). Successful applicants will also be required to produce open access knowledge synthesis reports or briefs to be shared with the agencies.

Indirect Costs

0%

Project Duration

3 years

Special Notes

Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern Attestation

In accordance with the [Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern](#) [12], all researchers involved in activities funded by a grant that will aim to advance an [STRA](#) [13] must review the [list of named research organizations](#) [14] (NROs) to ensure they are not affiliated with, or receiving funding or in-kind support from, any listed NRO.

You must submit [attestation forms](#) [15] from the researchers with named roles in the application (as specified in the application instructions). By completing the attestation form, the researchers with named roles certify they have read, understand and are compliant with this policy. Should your application be successful, you and your research team(s) will also be required **to comply with the policy for the duration of the grant** that aims to advance one or more STRAs.

Applicants must collect attestation forms from all researchers with named roles in the application and save them as a single PDF file, which you can upload in the Supporting Documents section.

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Thursday, February 13, 2025 - 4:30pm	Please download and submit your full proposal, along with a signed OR-5 Form to research.services@uoguelph.ca [16]. Please also "Submit" online in the Convergence portal. Please consult your College Research Manager [17] well ahead of this deadline to learn more about resources

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Type	Date	Notes available to you.
External Deadline	Thursday, February 20, 2025 - 8:00pm	The Research Services Office will submit the approved application to SSHRC on behalf of the applicant through the Convergence portal.

How to Apply

Applicants must complete the [application form](#) [18] in accordance with accompanying [instructions](#) [3]. Applications must be submitted electronically by an authorized research grants officer, or equivalent, from the applicant's institution.

Creating an application

- In the [Convergence portal](#) [19], select the "Funding Opportunities" tab.
- Find "Research on Research Joint Initiative." Click "Create Application."
- Answer the Participant Eligibility questions, and verify that the information pre-populated from your account profile is correct. Once you have answered all questions, click "Create Application."
- Select your language of application, then attach your supporting documents. Verify your documents to ensure they have been uploaded correctly and their content is viewable.
- Once you have completed your application, click "Submit to Research Administrator." Read and accept the Terms and Conditions of the application.

For Questions, please contact

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