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## **Saskatchewan Agriculture Development Fund: Letter of Intent**

### **Sponsor**

Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture

### **Program**

[Agriculture Development Fund \(ADF\)](#) [1]

### **Description**

The Agriculture Development Fund (ADF) was created to fund research to help farmers and ranchers become successful. The core of ADF provides funding for basic and applied agriculture research projects in crops, livestock, forages, processing, soils, environment, horticulture and alternative crops. It provides project funding of nearly \$15 million per year on a competitive basis to researchers in public and private research and development organizations, selected on the basis of their research's potential to create growth opportunities or enhance the competitiveness of the provincial agriculture industry.

The funding is provided to create future growth opportunities and to enhance the competitiveness of the provincial agriculture industry. This investment results in new knowledge, information and choices of technologies for producers and food processors, including feed and nutrition information for ranchers, and new crop cultivars and production information for farmers.

### **Eligibility**

Any person, business or organization with an idea that may be of practical value to Saskatchewan's agriculture and food industry is encouraged to submit a Letter of Intent. The principal/lead investigator of the project must be a permanent full-time employee of an organization.

### **Funding Availability**

\$15 million in ADF funding is available annually for public and private researchers.

### **Indirect Costs**

0%

## Special Notes

Please note that research activities carried out in the context of COVID-19 need to adhere to the University of Guelph COVID-19 research principles, policies, guidelines and processes as they may be updated from time to time and communicated on the [Office of Research web-page](#) [2].

## Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
<b>External Deadline</b>	Thursday, April 15, 2021 - 11:59pm	<p><b>Letters of Intent:</b> You may submit Letters of Intent between March 1 and April 15. Completed forms must be submitted through the ADF online system. See "How to Apply" below.</p> <p>Those asked to submit a <b>Full Proposal</b> should contact the Office of Research Services as the OR-5 form and copy of the proposal will be due to ORS one week prior to the external deadline. Please email <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [3].</p>

## How to Apply

For ADF, the ministry uses a two-stage application process. The first stage involves submission of a Letter of Intent (LOI). Principal Investigators who submit LOIs that are accepted are then invited to develop their idea into a full proposal.

- Letters of Intent: You may submit Letters of Intent between March 1 and April 15. Completed forms must be submitted through the online system.
- Full Proposal: Successful Letters of Intent will be invited to submit a full application

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- Visit the online [ARB web portal](#) [4]. New applicants click "[Register](#) [5]"; existing users click "[Login](#) [6]".

When requesting funding from ADF, where consent is provided, LOIs and applications may be shared with ADF industry partners. Industry partners will have an opportunity to review any LOI/application that is of interest to them for potential co-funding and/or technical review.

For Questions, please contact

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### Links

[1] <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/business/agriculture-natural-resources-and-industry/agribusiness-farmers-and-ranchers/agricultural-research-programs/knowledge-creation/agriculture-development-fund>

[2] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/>

[3] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca>

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