

## SSHRC Destination Horizon Grants 2025 - April and September Competitions

Updated Information

More information has been added to the following sections:

- For More Information:
  - [European Commission's Horizon Europe: Current work programmes](#) [1]
  - SSHRC Destination Horizon Grant Information Session (contact for access)
- Description:
  - Resulting Horizon Europe applications should be submitted within the 2025-2027 Work programme
- Funding Availability:
  - SSHRC Destination Horizon competitions will be run 3 times per year until January 2027; 27 awards will be available in the January 2025 competition, and 5 awards will be available in each subsequent competition

## Sponsor

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

## Program

[Destination Horizon Grants](#) [2]

## For More Information

[SSHRC Destination Horizon Grants: Program call](#) [2]

[SSHRC Destination Horizon Grants: How to apply](#) [3]

[European Commission's Horizon Europe - Pillar 2 Research Alert](#) [4]

[European Commission's Horizon Europe: Current Work programmes](#) [1]

[European Commission's guidance on Gender equality in research and innovation](#) [5]

[European Commission's list of associated countries](#) [6]

SSHRC Destination Horizon Grant Information Session: please contact [rachell@uoguelph.ca](mailto:rachell@uoguelph.ca) [7] for access

## Description

Destination Horizon Grants support researchers affiliated with eligible Canadian postsecondary institutions to build capacity, foster existing partnerships, and further develop networks and/or consortia with European Union and other “associated countries” researchers, with the ultimate goal of applying to [Horizon Europe](#) [8]—Pillar II calls for proposals within the next [Work programme](#) [1] (2025-2027).

Destination Horizon Grants are not intended to support implementation of Horizon Europe projects. Instead, the grants support activities between researchers that facilitate:

- Disciplinary and/or interdisciplinary exchanges;
- Scholarly exchanges;
- Intersectoral exchanges between academic researchers and practitioners from the public, private and/or not-for-profit sectors; and/or
- International research collaboration and scholarly exchanges between researchers affiliated with Canadian postsecondary institutions and researchers, students and non-academic partners from the EU and other associated countries.

Destination Horizon Grants proposals are expected to respond to the objectives of the [Research Partnerships program](#) [9].

A postsecondary institution may only submit up to three (3) Destination Horizon Grant applications for a given deadline. All applications deemed eligible will be entered into a randomized selection process by SSHRC.

## Eligibility

Proposals can involve any disciplines, thematic areas, approaches or subject areas eligible for SSHRC funding. See the guidelines on [subject matter eligibility](#) [10] for more information.

**Projects whose primary objective is to conduct research activities (e.g., literature reviews, field work, data collection, interviews) are not eligible for funding under this funding opportunity.**

To be eligible for this funding opportunity, applicants must demonstrate:

- Their eligible affiliation and primary affiliation in the social sciences or humanities;
- Their readiness to further develop networks and/or consortia with EU and other associated countries’ researchers, with the ultimate goal of applying to a Horizon Europe—Pillar II call;
- Eligible budget requests; and
- 100% matching cash contributions from the host institution, as secured by the applicant.

## Funding Availability

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## Maximum Project Value

Up to \$15,000

## Indirect Costs

0%

## Project Duration

One year

## Special Notes

SSHRC will not fund the full cost of any Destination Horizon Grant. Additional support in the form of eligible cash contributions **equivalent to 100% of the amount requested from SSHRC** must be secured by the applicant and verified by the host institution.

Applicants must demonstrate their ability to secure at least the minimum matching funding. Applicants must do so by including a letter of support from the host institution that clearly confirms the amounts and types of contributions the host is providing.

Applicants can draw on complementary funding from SSHRC research grants and/or from other research funding agencies, but must make clear in their budget proposal there is no duplication of financial support for the same budget expenses. While such funds can be used in this complementary way, these funds cannot be counted toward the requirement for matching funds.

## Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Tuesday, April 22, 2025 - 4:30pm	<b><i>Expression of Interest</i></b>  Interested applicants must meet with their Associate Dean

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		<p>Research (ADR) and College Research Manager (CRM) to confirm matching cash contribution equivalent to 100% of the amount requested from SSHRC from eligible sources (see Special Notes above), then submit an internal Expression of Interest (EOI) to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [11], copying Rachel Lee (<a href="mailto:rachell@uoguelph.ca">rachell@uoguelph.ca</a> [7]). The EOI can be downloaded from the "Attachments" section below.</p> <p>The Associate Vice-President Research Services (AVPRS) will communicate the decision to all EOI applicants of whether they are approved to use the university's quota within two weeks of the EOI deadline. Only those who are approved to use the university's quota can proceed with the submission of their full application to the Research Services Office (RSO).</p>
<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Monday, May 19, 2025 - 4:30pm	<p>Applicants selected as part of the University's quota are invited to submit a full application package to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [11], including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A downloaded copy of the full application (please also "Submit" the full application online in the <a href="#">Convergence portal</a> [12])</li><li>• A draft letter of support</li></ul>

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		<p>from the University's AVPRS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A signed OR-5 Form</li></ul> <p>Applicants will be responsible for drafting the letter from the University, with support from their CRM, as applicable. RSO can provide advance review of the draft letters and will obtain AVPRS signature on the letter. The letter of support must confirm the value of the financial contribution, and confirm that the host organization will support the applicant in developing future applications to Horizon Europe – Pillar II calls for proposal.</p>
<b>External Deadline</b>	Thursday, May 22, 2025 - 8:00pm	<p>RSO will submit the completed Full Application directly through the Convergence Portal on behalf of the research team.</p>
<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Monday, August 25, 2025 - 12:00am	<p><b><i>Expression of Interest</i></b></p> <p>Interested applicants must meet with their Associate Dean Research (ADR) and College Research Manager (CRM) to confirm matching cash contribution equivalent to 100% of the amount requested from SSHRC from eligible sources (see Special Notes above), then submit an internal Expression of Interest (EOI) to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [11], copying Rachel Lee (<a href="mailto:rachel@uoguelph.ca">rachel@uoguelph.ca</a> [7]). The EOI can be downloaded from the "Attachments" section below.</p>

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<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Monday, September 15, 2025 - 4:30pm	<p>Applicants selected as part of the University's quota are invited to submit a full application package to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [11], including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A downloaded copy of the full application (please also "Submit" the full application online in the <a href="#">Convergence portal</a> [12])</li><li>• A draft letter of support from the University's AVPRS</li><li>• A signed OR-5 Form</li></ul> <p>Applicants will be responsible for drafting the letter from the University, with support from their CRM, as applicable. RSO can provide advance review of the draft letters and will obtain AVPRS signature on the letter. The letter of support must confirm the value of the financial contribution, and confirm that the host</p>

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<b>External Deadline</b>	Monday, September 22, 2025 - 8:00pm	RSO will submit the completed Full Application directly through the Convergence Portal on behalf of the research team.

## How to Apply

See the [Destination Horizon Grants - Applicant Instructions](#) [13] for more information. Other useful resources to assist in the completion of your application include the European Commission's guidance on [Gender equality in research and innovation](#) [5] and list of [associated countries](#) [6], and the [Horizon Europe - Pillar II funding program research alert](#) [4].

## Attachment(s)

Attachment	Size
 <a href="#">SSHRC Destination Horizons Grants 2025 EOI</a> [14]	31.95 KB

For Questions, please contact

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### Links

- [1] [https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe/horizon-europe-work-programmes\\_en#view-available-work-programmes](https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe/horizon-europe-work-programmes_en#view-available-work-programmes)
- [2] [https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/destination\\_horizon-eng.aspx](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/destination_horizon-eng.aspx)
- [3] <https://ised-isde.canada.ca/site/ised/en/horizon-europe-how-apply>
- [4] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/content/european-commissions-horizon-europe-pillar-2>
- [5] [https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/strategy/strategy-research-and-innovation/democracy-and-rights/gender-equality-research-and-innovation\\_en](https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/strategy/strategy-research-and-innovation/democracy-and-rights/gender-equality-research-and-innovation_en)
- [6] [https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/strategy/strategy-research-and-innovation/europe-world/international-cooperation/association-horizon-europe\\_en](https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/strategy/strategy-research-and-innovation/europe-world/international-cooperation/association-horizon-europe_en)
- [7] <mailto:rachell@uoguelph.ca>
- [8] <https://ised-isde.canada.ca/site/ised/en/horizon-europe>
- [9] [https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella\\_programs-programme\\_cadre/connection-connexion-eng.aspx](https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/connection-connexion-eng.aspx)
- [10] [http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/apply-demande/background-renseignements/selecting\\_agency-choisir\\_organisme\\_subventionnaire-eng.aspx](http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/apply-demande/background-renseignements/selecting_agency-choisir_organisme_subventionnaire-eng.aspx)
- [11] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca>
- [12] <https://www.convergence.gc.ca/en/>
- [13] <https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/instructions/destination-horizon/applicant-candidat-eng.aspx#24>
- [14] [https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/sites/default/files/attachments/SSHRC\\_Destination\\_Horizons\\_Grants\\_2025\\_EOI\\_form\\_-\\_final.docx](https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/sites/default/files/attachments/SSHRC_Destination_Horizons_Grants_2025_EOI_form_-_final.docx)
- [15] <mailto:partnerships@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca>