

SSHRC Partnership Grants: Stage 1 - 2025 Competition

Sponsor

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

Program

[Partnership Grants - Stage 1](#) [1]

Description

Partnership Grants are expected to respond to the objectives of the [Research Partnerships program](#) [2]. Proposals exclusively for [partnered research training initiatives](#) [3] are expected to respond, instead, to the objectives of the [Research Training and Talent Development](#) [4] program.

These grants provide support for new and existing [formal partnerships](#) [5] over four to seven years to advance research, research training and/or knowledge mobilization in the social sciences and humanities. This is done through mutual co-operation and sharing of intellectual leadership, as well as through resources as shown by cash and/or [in-kind contributions](#) [6].

Partnership Grants are intended for large teams of postsecondary institutions and/or organizations of various types that work in formal collaboration.

The quality of training, mentoring and employability plans for students and [emerging scholars](#) [7] will be evaluated as an important part of the proposed initiative. SSHRC's [Guidelines for Effective Research Training](#) [8] explain how students and emerging scholars can meaningfully participate in proposed initiatives.

The intellectual leadership and governance for a formal partnership can come from the research community and/or from partner organizations from the public, private and not-for-profit sectors.

Eligibility

See [SSHRC PG Eligibility](#) [9] for each of the following:

1. Subject Matter
2. Applicants

3. Institutions
4. Co-Directors and Co-Applicants
5. Collaborators
6. Partner Organizations

Maximum Project Value

Partnership Grants undergo a two-stage adjudication process. Only applicants successful at the first stage will be invited to submit an application at the second stage.

Stage 1: Applicants successful at the first stage will be offered a grant worth up to \$20,000 to help in the preparation of the second stage application—i.e., to further refine the question(s) to be addressed; to establish partnership arrangements, governance structure and/or approach/methodology; and to consolidate their collaborative activities.

Stage 2 (by invitation only): Partnership Grants are valued at a maximum of \$500,000 per year over four to seven years, up to a total of \$2.5 million.

Indirect Costs

There are no indirect costs on the funding provided directly by SSHRC.

For SSHRC PG - Stage 1, **funding is not contingent** upon cash and/or in-kind contributions from external sponsor(s)/partner(s). For this reason, any **cash** contributions from external sponsor(s)/partner(s) will be subject to a rate of 40% indirect costs, or the maximum allowable rate as published by the external sponsor/partner. In-kind contributions are not subject to indirect costs.

Those applicants that are successful in Stage 1 will be invited to apply in Stage 2. In Stage 2, an applicant must show that they will secure, over and above the budget requested from SSHRC, a 35% minimum cash and/or in-kind contributions from other sources during the life of the grant (four to seven years). Since the **funding is contingent** upon cash and/or in-kind contributions, any **cash** contributions from external sponsor(s)/partner(s) up to the required matching amount (35%) will be subject to a reduced indirect cost rate of 25%. Any **cash** contribution above and beyond the required matching amount (exceeding 35%) will be subject to the full 40% indirect cost rate, or the maximum allowable rate as published by that external sponsor/partner. In-kind contributions are not subject to indirect costs.

This information is outlined in the [Full Cost of Research Policy](#) [10].

Project Duration

Four to seven years.

Special Notes

SSHRC's [Partnerships Tool-Kit](#) [11] offers tools and resources to assist in the planning and implementation of your partnership

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Monday, January 27, 2025 - 4:30pm	<p>Please submit your complete Letter of Intent (Stage 1 application) in PDF form, along with a signed OR-5 Form to research.services@uoguelph.ca [12]. Please also "Submit" online in the SSHRC portal.</p> <p>Please consult your College Research Manager [13] well ahead of this deadline to learn more about resources available to you.</p>
External Deadline	Monday, February 10, 2025 - 8:00pm	<p>The Research Services Office will submit the approved application to SSHRC on behalf of the University and project director(s).</p> <p>Although applications must be submitted to SSHRC by 8:00pm on the due date, the Research Services Office closes at 4:30 pm so all applications should be "submitted" to the Research Services Office before that time on the due date.</p>

How to Apply

Applicants must complete the [application form](#) [14] in accordance with accompanying

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[instructions](#) [15]. Applications must be submitted electronically by an authorized research grants officer from the Research Services Office.

Only those applicants who are successful in Stage 1 will be invited to apply in Stage 2.

Applicants needing help while preparing their application should communicate with SSHRC and/or the Research Services Office well in advance of the application deadline.

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 Research Services Office with at least five days notice in advance of the lead institution's deadline to review the application or your proposed component of the project.

Please contact the Research Services Office (research.services@uoguelph.ca [12]) 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 any questions, please contact SSHRC at partnershipgrants@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca [16].

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[4] https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/talent-eng.aspx

[5] <https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programmes-programmes/definitions-eng.aspx#a10>

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