SSHRC PARTNERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

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Outline

• Overview of Partnership Grant (PG) Letter of Intent and Partnership Development Grant (PDG), including application components and supports
• Evaluation criteria and scoring
• Resources
• Q&A/Discussion
The funding opportunities

SSHRC Partnership Grant
  –Mandatory Letter of Intent stage

SSHRC Partnership Development Grant
  –Not a requirement to apply for a SSHRC Partnership Grant
Formal Partnership

• A bilateral or multilateral formal collaboration agreement between an applicant and one or more organizations
• Partnerships may be between academic institutions, or between one or more academic institutions and one or more non-academic partner organizations
• Partner organizations
  – agree and commit to work collaboratively to achieve shared goals for mutual benefit
  – must provide evidence attesting to the commitment that has been agreed upon
Partnership Grant: Objectives

• Provide support for new and existing formal partnerships
  – to advance research, research training and/or knowledge mobilization
  – through mutual co-operation and sharing of intellectual leadership and
  – through resources as evidenced by cash and/or in kind contributions

• Intended for large teams working in formal collaboration between postsecondary institutions and/or organizations of various types
Partnership Development Grant: Objectives

• Develop research and related activities including
  – knowledge mobilization and the meaningful involvement of students and new scholars
  – by fostering new partnerships for research and related activities involving existing and/or potential partners

• Design and test new partnership approaches for research and/or related activities that may result in
  – best practices or models that either can be adapted by others or have the potential to be scaled up to a regional, national or international level
Participants

• Project Director
  – The applicant. Must be primarily affiliated with the host institution (PG funds stay with the institution)

• Co-applicant
  – Canadian: Postsecondary institutes; not-for-profit organizations; philanthropic foundations; municipal, territorial or provincial governments; and think tanks (PDG)
  – International: Postsecondary institutions

• Collaborator
  – Any individuals who will make a significant contribution to the research initiative. Individuals from private sector or federal government may only participate as collaborators.
Duration and Value

**Partnership**

- 4 to 7 years
- LOI: $20,000
- Formal application (by invitation): Max $500,000/year up to $2.5 million total
  - 35% minimum cash and/or in-kind contributions

**Partnership Development**

- 1 to 3 years
- $75,000 to $200,000
  - No minimum cash and/or in-kind contribution
Application components

- Application form
- Attachments
- Invitations to partners
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Deadlines/Timelines

**Partnership**
- LOI internal deadline: Feb 1, 2017
- LOI external deadline: Feb 15, 2017
- Results announced: Spring 2017
- Full application:
  - Submission: Fall 2017
  - Interview: Spring 2018
- Results announced: Spring 2018

**Partnership Development**
- Internal deadline: Nov 16, 2016
- External deadline: Nov 30, 2016
- Results announced: Spring 2017
ORS Supports

• Project description and letter of support templates, budget materials
• Grantscrafting support
• Guidelines and Budgets advice, including cash and in-kind contributions
• Liaise with SSHRC Program Officers
• Institutional letter of support
• Comprehensive review
• Work with your Faculty Research and Scholarship Coordinator, when available
Process

• Notify Nicole Kitson (NK)/Rosemary Ommer (RO) of your interest to apply for a SSHRC PDG/PG
  –We will meet with you to discuss your application
• Provide content, as available, to RO for grantscrafting
• Direct questions about budgets and guidelines to NK
• Submit completed Research Application Summary Form and full application, including all letters of support and partner information to NK at least two weeks in advance of external deadline for comprehensive review, feedback, institutional approval
• Start early. Iterations are key!
EVALUATION CRITERIA AND SCORING
1. Challenge: Aim and importance of the endeavour

- Originality, significance and expected contribution to knowledge
- Appropriateness of:
  - the literature review
  - the theoretical approach or framework
  - the methods/approach (including the co-creation of knowledge)
- Quality of training and mentoring
- Potential for:
  - the project results to have influence and impact
  - Long-term viability and identification of progress indicators
2. Feasibility: Plan to achieve excellence

• Probability that the objectives will be met within the timeline proposed
• Quality and genuineness of the formal partnership
• Appropriateness of the requested budget and justification (PDG)
• Indications of other planned resources, including leveraging cash and in-kind contributions
• Quality and appropriateness of the knowledge mobilization plans
• Appropriateness of the strategies for conducting the activity/activities proposed
3. Capability: Expertise to succeed

• Quality and significance of the host institution and partner organizations’ commitment and experience in collaboration and formal partnership (PG only)
• Quality, quantity and significance of past experience and published and/or creative outputs of the project director and any co-applicants
• Evidence of other knowledge mobilization activities and of impact
• Evidence of contributions to the development of talent
• Experience in formal partnerships
• Potential to make future contributions
RESOURCES
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• Partnership Grants
  – LOI Instructions (https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/Instructions-Help/pg_loi_instr_e.htm#ProgramIdentification) based on Spring 2016 submission – updated instructions will be released by SSHRC approx. Oct 2016
  – Full application Instructions (https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/Instructions-Help/pg_fa_instr_e.htm#ProgramIdentification)

• Partnership Development Grants
  – Instructions (https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/Instructions-Help/pdg_instr_e.htm#ProgramIdentification)

• ORS guides and templates, budget tips and tricks