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#### **Research Grants**

#### **Transformation Competition**

The Transformation stream is designed to support large-scale, Canadian-led interdisciplinary research projects that address a major challenge with the potential to realize real and lasting change (high-reward). The challenge may be fundamental, leading to a scientific breakthrough, or applied, with a social, economic, environmental or health impact. Projects are expected to be world-leading, drawing on global research expertise where relevant.

Transformation stream grants will support projects that:

- 1. tackle a well-defined problem or challenge;
- 2. propose a novel world-leading approach that is different from the current state-of-the-art approaches to the issue;
- 3. are interdisciplinary, bringing different perspectives to the defined problem; and
- 4. have the potential to be transformative, defined as the potential to create a significant and real change or impact—a noticeable leap or tangible breakthrough rather than an incremental advance.

Closing date 24 October 2023 Award amount CAD 2,000,000 – 4,000,000 Country of applicant institution Unrestricted Website <u>Transformation (sshrc-crsh.gc.ca)</u>

## Systematic Testing of Radionuclides in Preclinical Experiments

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to solicit R21 research projects utilizing state-of-the-art cancer biology methods and model systems to study effects of different types of radiation used in radionuclide-based therapeutics (e.g., radiopharmaceutical therapy) on normal tissue, tumor cells and the tumor microenvironment.

Closing date 16 October 2023

Award amount max USD 275,000

Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Website PAR-22-140: Systematic Testing of Radionuclides in Preclinical Experiments (STRIPE)

(R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) (nih.gov)

## Investigator Initiated Research in Computational Genomics and Data Science

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to invite applications for a broad range of research efforts in computational genomics, data science, statistics, and bioinformatics relevant to one or both of basic or clinical genomic science, and broadly applicable to human health and disease.

This FOA supports fundamental genomics research that develops innovative analytical methodologies and approaches, early-stage development of tools and software, and refinement or hardening of software and tools of high value to the biomedical genomics community. Work supported under this FOA should be enabling for genomics and be generalizable or broadly applicable across diseases and biological systems.

Closing date 16 October 2023 Award amount max USD 275,000 Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Website PAR-21-255: Investigator Initiated Research in Computational Genomics and Data Science (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) (nih.gov)

#### **Society Outreach Grant Program**

The AIA Society Outreach Grant Program encourages AIA societies to plan and implement outreach activities in their local community. Any event that promotes archaeology, the AIA's mission, and focuses on public outreach and education will be considered for funding. Attracting new members to the AIA and the society should also be a goal. This grant is meant for innovative outreach programs, replicable by other societies and beyond the regular lecture program supported by the national office.

Closing date 16 October 2023
Award amount max USD 500
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website AIA Society Outreach Grant Program - Archaeological Institute of America

#### Ignacio H. de Larramendi Research Grants

At Fundación MAPFRE we support and promote research to improve the quality of life of the people who make up our society. That is why each year we organize the international Ignacio H. de Larramendi Research Grants, with the aim of supporting research related to two of our fields of action: health promotion; and insurance and social security.

Research projects related to health promotion must explore one of the following topics:

- Strategies and education to change habits: prevention of obesity, and the promotion of physical activity and emotional well-being (including the appropriate use of new technologies).
- Emergency response training for the general population.
- Assessment of bodily harm: assessment of the consequences of an event (traumatic or accidental, medical negligence, aggression or disease) on the health of the individual and its repercussions on the core activities of ordinary life and other specific personal development activities (moral damages, loss of quality of life).
- Health management: clinical quality and safety.
- Longevity and how lifestyle influences this.

Grants for research related to insurance and social welfare must be aimed at exploring the following topics in depth, in the context of 21st century challenges:

- Insurance.
- Risk management.
- New technologies in the insurance field.
- Social protection: pensions, savings, investment, asset liquidation and the Silver Economy (longevity economics).

Closing date 17 October 2023 Award amount max €30,000 Country of applicant institution Unrestricted Website <u>Ignacio H de Larramendi Grants - Fundación MAPFRE (fundacionmapfre.org)</u>

### Research grant awards - Association for Medical Education

The International Association for Medical Education invites applications for its research grant awards. This supports research projects in the field of medical education.

Current individual and student members may apply.

Closing date 18 October 2023 (Forecast)
Award amount max £10,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website Research Grants (amee.org)

#### **ERC-2024-StG starting grants**

The European Commission Horizon Europe: Excellent Science European Research Council invites proposals for its starting grants. These support researchers who are starting their own independent research team or programme. Applications may be made in any field of research.

Closing date 24 October 2023 Award amount max €2,500,000 Country of applicant institution Unrestricted Website <u>Starting Grant | ERC (europa.eu)</u>

#### **AACN Impact Research Grant**

The AACN Impact Research Grants are funded and supported by AACN. We encourage experienced clinicians and researchers to propose projects that support inquiry and systematic research that generates new knowledge. The grants are designed to ensure a vital source of clinically relevant research for creating the evidence-based resources that influence high acuity critical care nursing practice.

We expect and hope that the knowledge gained from the project will be shared. Upon completion of your research study or project, AACN encourages you to submit your work for publication and/or presentation. If you wish to present your results at NTI, please contact AACN staff (do not submit through the abstract review process).

Closing date 28 October 2023 (Forecast)
Award amount max USD 50,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website AACN Impact Research Grant - AACN

## Kathleen and David Boochever Endowment Fund for Fieldwork and Scientific Analyses

The Boochever Endowment supports both fieldwork and laboratory research informed by new technologies. While the fund's primary purpose is to help defray the start-up costs of new projects, archaeologists exploring innovative applications of new technologies in any stage of their work are welcome to apply.

Projects may concern any location in the world and any time period, but must be designed to address significant questions about the human past through the use of state-of-the-art technology, understood broadly to include not only digital tools and approaches, but also those developed in engineering, chemistry, biology, physics, etc. The best proposals will make use of emerging or experimental technologies, or will apply existing technologies to archaeological research in new ways. The fund will support research activities such as regional or site survey, geophysical prospection, remote sensing, exploratory excavations in both terrestrial and maritime contexts, or innovative laboratory analyses.

Closing date 01 November 2023
Award amount max USD 5,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website <u>Kathleen and David Boochever Endowment for Fieldwork and Scientific Analyses - Archaeological</u>
Institute of America

#### **Fellowships**

#### **Lizard Island Research Station Fellowships**

The Lizard Island Research Station invites applications for its postdoctoral fellowships. These enable early-career scientists to conduct research at the Lizard Island Research Station. Projects should significantly advance knowledge in the biology, ecology, processes or traditional use of coral reefs, or in the taxonomy of little-known fauna or flora at Lizard Island.

Applicants must have received their PhD degree on or after 1 October 2017.

Closing date 24 October 2023 (Forecast)
Award amount max AUD 39,600
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website Lizard Island Fellowships - The Australian Museum

# Program in Latin American Studies (PLAS) Short-term Visiting Fellowships

The Program in Latin American Studies is launching an open call for applications for next year's visiting short-term fellowships. Scholars in the humanities and social sciences, as well as from established writers, artists, filmmakers, or architects working on projects relating to Latin America who are stellar teachers are welcome to apply.

Visiting Fellows are expected to devote themselves to research and to participate regularly in the scholarly activities of the PLAS intellectual community.

Closing date 16 October 2023 (Forecast)

Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Website Short-term Fellowships | Program in Latin American Studies (princeton.edu)

#### **International Fellowship**

The Herbert D. Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies is pleased to announce that its 2024–25 fellowship year will be devoted to supporting new research at the intersection of Jewish studies and the study of health, medicine, and the body. The Center encourages applications from scholars aiming to illumine any aspect of health, health care, illness and/or embodiment as these relate to Jewish history, culture, and life experience, encompassing any period ranging from antiquity to the present.

The Center invites applications from all disciplines in the humanities and social sciences, including social and cultural history, the history of science and medicine, anthropology, literature, gender studies, bioethics, public policy, legal studies, and other relevant fields. The fellowship is meant for scholars who are open to pursuing their individual research projects in a collaborative and interdisciplinary setting built around seminars, conferences, and other forms of intellectual exchange.

Closing date 18 October 2023

Award amount max USD 60,000

Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Website International Fellowship | Herbert D. Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies (upenn.edu)

#### **Solmsen Fellowships**

The Institute for Research in the Humanities (IRH) at the University of Wisconsin–Madison is pleased to offer four Solmsen Fellowships for the academic year 2024-2025, to be awarded to scholars from outside the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Through a generous bequest from Friedrich and Lieselotte Solmsen, the Solmsen Fellowships sponsors humanities scholars working on European history, literature, philosophy, politics, religion, art, music, and culture in the classical, medieval, and/or early modern periods before 1700. Projects on the relationship of pre-1700 Europe to other parts of the world are also welcome. The Solmsen Fellowship does not typically support editions, anthologies, or translations.

Closing date 26 October 2023
Award amount min USD 60,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website IRH Fellowships – Institute for Research in the Humanities – UW–Madison (wisc.edu)

#### Robert M. Kingdon Fellowship

The Institute for Research in the Humanities (IRH) at the University of Wisconsin–Madison is pleased to offer two Robert M. Kingdon Fellowships for the academic year 2024-2025, to be awarded to scholars from outside the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Through a generous bequest from the late Robert M. Kingdon, Hilldale Professor of History at UW– Madison, the Kingdon Fellowship sponsors humanities scholars working on historical, literary, artistic, and/or philosophical studies of the Jewish and/or Christian religious traditions. Projects may focus on any period from antiquity to the present, on any part of the world, and in any field(s) in the humanities. They may explore various forms of the Jewish and/or Christian traditions; the interaction of one or both of these with other religious traditions; and/or the relationship of one or both of these religions to other aspects of society within or outside of Europe. The Kingdon Fellowship does not typically support editions, anthologies, or translations.

Closing date 26 October 2023
Award amount min USD 60,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website IRH Fellowships – Institute for Research in the Humanities – UW-Madison (wisc.edu)

#### Grant for Japan-related research projects

The Sumitomo Foundation invites applications for its grant for Japan-related research projects. This supports research projects in the fields of social sciences or humanities that are related to Japan.

Individuals and teams may apply. Applicants must be of Asian nationality, living outside of Japan. Priority will be given to those of Southeast and East Asian nationalities.

The budget is JPY 50 million for 80 grants. Grants are worth up to JPY 2 million each for one year, with possible extensions for an additional two years.

Closing date 31 October 2023 (Forecast)
Award amount max JPY 2,000,000
Country of applicant institution Sri Lanka included
Website Japan-related Research Projects (sumitomo.or.jp)

#### **Long-Term Fellowships**

Long-Term Fellowships are intended to support individual scholarly research and promote serious intellectual exchange through active participation in the Newberry's scholarly activities, including Fellows' Seminars and Weekly Colloquium.

General Long-Term Fellowships

- National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Fellowships support scholarship in any field appropriate to the Newberry's collection. Applicants must be United States citizens or foreign nationals with three continuous years' residence.
- The Mellon Foundation Fellowships support scholarship in any field of study appropriate to the Newberry's collection.
- Richard H. Brown/William Lloyd Barber Fellowships support scholarship in any area of American history that is applicable to the Newberry's collection.
- The Evelyn Dunbar and Ruth Dunbar Davee Fellowship supports scholarship in music applicable to the Newberry's collection. If in any year a fellowship in music is not needed, or able to be filled, a fellowship in history can be funded.
- Lloyd Lewis Fellowships in American History support scholarship in any area of American history that is applicable to the Newberry's collection.
- The Audrey Lumsden-Kouvel Fellowship supports scholarship related to history and literature in the Late Medieval and Early Modern period. Preference will be given to projects focusing on the colonial Americas and Romance cultures, especially translations and topics focusing on Portuguese, Spanish, and Latin American Studies.

• The Monticello College Foundation Fellowship for Women is designed for a pre-tenure woman whose work gives clear promise of scholarly productivity and would benefit significantly from being in residence at the Newberry. Preference will be given to projects concerned with the study of women.

Closing date 01 November 2023 (Forecast)
Award amount USD 20,000 - 45,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website Long-Term Fellowships | Newberry Library

#### **Mellon Mays Predoctoral Research Grants**

The Graduate Initiatives Program offers three predoctoral grant opportunities: the Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant (GSE), the Predoctoral Research Development Grant (PRD), and the Dissertation Completion Grant (DCG). These grants are only open to PhD students who were selected as Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellows.

Closing date 01 November 2023

Award amount max USD 8,000

Country of applicant institution Unrestricted

Website <a href="https://www.ssrc.org/programs/mellon-mays-graduate-initiatives-program/mellon-mays-predoctoral-research-grants/">https://www.ssrc.org/programs/mellon-mays-graduate-initiatives-program/mellon-mays-predoctoral-research-grants/</a>

### Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Humanities

The Wolf Humanities Center awards Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowships each academic year to junior scholars in the humanities who are no more than five years out of their doctorate. Preference will be given to candidates not yet in tenure track positions whose proposals are interdisciplinary, who have not previously enjoyed use of the resources of the University of Pennsylvania, and who would particularly benefit from and contribute to Penn's intellectual life.

The programs of the Wolf Humanities Center are conceived through yearly topics that invite broad interdisciplinary collaboration. For the 2024–2025 academic year, our topic will be Keywords.

Global keywords — mobile concepts and their genealogies, histories, structures of meaning, translations and adaptions across time and space. The Wolf Humanities Center's 2024–2025 topic explores interdisciplinary methods for tracking ideas in motion through careful attention to keywords and the larger fields they reflect and shape. How do keywords point to the movement of ideas and concepts and to the shifts in their meanings and impacts as they travel across time, languages, and contexts?

The Wolf Humanities Center is keen to support projects that contribute to the dismantling of racism as it exists within the humanities. We know that such efforts can take an infinite variety of forms, and we encourage you to include in the course of your application an explanation of how your scholarship contributes to this effort if it does.

Closing date 01 November 2023
Award amount USD 65,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Humanities | Wolf Humanities Center (upenn.edu)

#### Members in the School of Social Science Fellowships

Memberships are awarded at both the junior and senior levels. They are for the full academic year only unless the scholar is from a country with an academic calendar that is substantially different than the one in the U.S., in which case single-term Memberships will be considered. Although preference is given to new applicants, scholars may be considered for a second residency if a sufficient amount of time has passed since their initial Membership.

Members are expected only to pursue their own research and participate in the seminars. The theme for 2023-2024: PLATFORM. Applications outside the theme are also welcomed. An interdisciplinary dialogue will be fostered and applications are strongly encouraged from scholars across the social sciences, whether or not their research corresponds to the theme.

Closing date 01 November 2023 (Forecast)
Award amount max USD 75,000
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website SSS Fellowships - School of Social Science | Institute for Advanced Study (ias.edu)

#### **Postdoctoral Fellowship in Conservation Science**

The Getty Conservation Institute's (GCI) postdoctoral fellowship is a two-year program designed to provide recent PhDs in chemistry and other physical or material sciences with experience in conservation science. The Postdoctoral Fellow will be an integral part of the GCI Science's Preventive Conservation and Modern and Contemporary Art research initiatives.

In support of the GCI's mission to advance conservation practice in the visual arts, much of the Science department's work in preventive conservation involves assessing the effects of environmental conditions on museum objects. Ongoing research is particularly important for modern polymeric materials (i.e., plastics), the lifespans of which are often much shorter than for more traditional artist materials. The GCI is studying this problem with a combined approach of chemical characterization and mechanical testing to understand the degradation pathways and physical manifestations of aging in plastic art and artifacts.

The Postdoctoral Fellow is expected to engage with, and be involved in, both new and existing projects and research partnerships concerned with materials research and conservation methods. The GCI anticipates that the Fellow's primary research activities will focus on understanding the mechanisms and progress of aging in range of plastic artifacts in museum collections. The physical, mechanical and chemical properties will be analyzed as a function of manufacturing technology, ongoing aging, and various conservation treatments.

Closing date 01 November 2023 (Forecast)
Award amount max USD 47,900
Country of applicant institution Unrestricted
Website Getty: Resources for Visual Art and Cultural Heritage



# **iPURSE**

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2023



Abstracts & the Extended Abstracts are invited for the Peradeniya University International Research Sessions, 2023

NAVIGATING THE NEW FRONTIERS: EXPLORING OPPORTUNITIES

#### **About iPURSE**

The University of Peradeniya, a premier Sri Lankan academic institution, world renowned for excellence in teaching and research, continues to open up its annual research sessions as a wider and international forum – iPURSE 2023.

iPURSE 2023 will bring together eminent researchers of all disciplines, providing them with a platform to disseminate research findings, exchange contemporary knowledge and build partnerships and collaborations to advance frontiers of knowledge for sustainability of all life on the earth.

We invite submissions describing innovative research on all aspects of knowledge under 6 broad sub-themes. The University of Peradeniya will be pleased to host and welcome you all to Peradeniya University International Research Sessions (iPURSE) in September 2023.

### SEPTEMBER 20 & 21, 2023

https://www.pdn.ac.lk/ipurse/

**AUG** 15

**AUG 20** 

SEP 07

Abstract Submission Deadline Notification of Acceptance

Registration Deadline

#### **Conference Secretary**

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### SUB-THEMES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

**Business Resilience in Crisis** 

Global Health Challenges and Opportunities for Collaboration

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Managerial Turn in Higher Education:
The Issues and Challenges for Human
Existence

Towards Sustainable Agricultural
Systems: Transforming Challenges into
Opportunities

#### **Paper submission Portal**

https://site.pdn.ac.lk/ipurse/index.html

#### **PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITY**

Abstract will be published.
Extended abstract will only be used for reviewing purpose

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2023

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Showcase, hosted by the University Research Council of the
University of Peradeniya to celebrate our outstanding
researchers and

Prof. Lakshman Samaranayake Awardees while discovering cutting-edge research in the exhibition space



August 29th, 2023



8.00 am onwards



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### Peradeniya University Research Excellence Showcase 2023

Come and witness the excellence of the research at University of Peradeniya

- Felicitating of oustanding researchers in the university
  - 57 Projects of University of Peradeniya
- Al and Social Science discussion forums by invited participants

The exhibition is open to anyone from the University and outsiders by invitation

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### ERASMUS + GRANT

Date:Last week of September

Venue:Will be notified soon

• Resource persons:

Prof. Anoma Abeyrathne
&
Prof. S.B. Weerakoon



#### Research Publication Facilitation Fund University Of Peradeniya

The new application for Research Publication Facilitation application is now available in <a href="https://site.pdn.ac.lk/centers/urc">https://site.pdn.ac.lk/centers/urc</a>

According to the new process introduced for the reimbursement of Article processing charges, applicants can get prior approval for the payments before submission of the application. Upon receiving the approval for the APC from URC, usually through an email, submit the invoice for the payment of the APC, and the credit card statement to process the payment.

#### Note:

- Application is a fillable form, which you can fill using Adobe Acrobat Reader latest versions.
- Furnish all the details, sign the application, get the Head and the Dean to sign.
- Attach a copy of the complete manuscript and the acceptance letter.
- Only the full-length articles published in SCI/SSCI/SCI-expanded/SSCI-expanded with an impact factor of 2 or higher will be considered for Article Processing Charge (APC).

#### **Special Note:**

- The payment must be done by a permanent staff member of the University of Peradeniya.
- If two authors claim for the same article fill in two separate applications and send both applications together (Attaching one copy of the manuscript and the invoice is adequate). If one author paid for the APC, a consent letter from the second author should be submitted.
- Funding is subjected to availability of funds.



### Research Publication Facilitation Fund [RPFF] University of Peradeniya

The University Research Council [URC] is pleased to announce that it has initiated a scheme to provide financial assistance up to a maximum of USD 1000.00 per year for the researchers of University of Peradeniya to facilitate publishing their research findings in high-ranking peer reviewed journals.

#### Financial Assistance:

USD 500 per author up to a maximum of USD 1000 per paper per year.

#### Eligibility Criteria:

The applicant should be a permanent staff member of the University of Peradeniya and one of the authors of the journal article.

The University of Peradeniya should have been identified as the sole affiliation or one of the affiliations. Journal articles which do not carry the University of Peradeniya as an affiliation are not eligible for funding.

The journal should be indexed in one of the following Web of Science indexes:

- Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE)
- o Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI)
- Arts & Humanities Citation Index (AHCI)

The impact factor of the journal should be 2 or higher

The corresponding author of the journal article should have used the institutional e-mail address (pdn.ac.lk or any variant)

None of the applicants should have used this facility within the current calendar year

The URC reserves the right to amend the eligibility criteria. The article processing charge will be reimbursed subject to the availability of funds.

#### Procedure:

The applicant should fill in an application form and submit the same to the Director, URC through the Head of the Department and the Dean of the Faculty along with the original copy of the receipt for the payment of page charges and a copy of the journal article. The article should have been published either online or printed with a valid DOI in the journal within the year of concern. The application can be downloaded from https://www.pdn.ac.lk/centers/urc/doc/Application%20For%20RPFF\_URC\_2021.pdf







30th of October 2023

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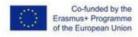


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