SSHRC for Health & WellBeing Researchers

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The *Grant Assist Program* an initiative of the Office of the Vice-President (Research).

The goal is to enhance the quality and competitiveness of grant applications to Tri-Agencies from the University of Alberta.

Researchers applying to SSHRC, NSERC, CIHR or other major funding agencies are encouraged to avail themselves of the Grant Assist Program.

SSHRC CIHR NSERC Bridge-Funding Mentoring Resource Banks Peer Review Professional Editing Workshops Research Assistants Info Panels Successful Grants Library Researcher Focused
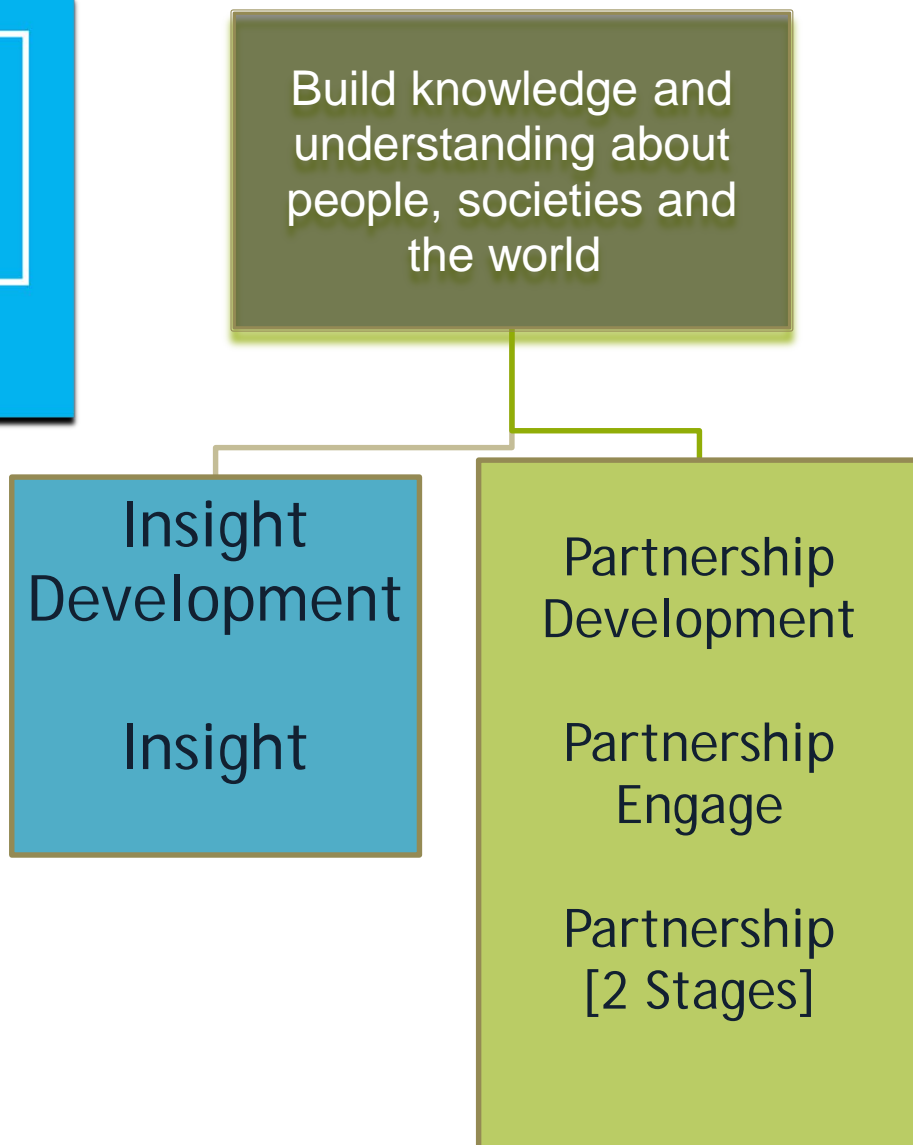
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3 programs:

- Talent
- Connection
- Insight

2 funding streams:

- Individual researchers, co-applicants & collaborators, informal groups

- Formal institutional + researcher partnerships

Build knowledge and understanding about people, societies and the world

Insight Development

Insight

Partnership Development

Partnership Engage

Partnership [2 Stages]

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SSHRC Funding Architecture

- Applications to SSHRC as the primary source of research or research training support must meet the following two criteria:
  - The proposed research or related activities must be primarily in the <u>social sciences</u> or <u>humanities</u>
  - The intended <u>outcome</u> of the research must primarily be to add to our understanding and knowledge of individuals, groups and societies —what we think, how we live, and how we interact with each other and the world around us.

  - Note: use of SS or H methods alone ≠ SSHRC eligible

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SSHRC *Ineligible:*

- Anything with patient outcomes goals
- Clinical education for health care professionals
- Evaluation of health program effectiveness
- Development of health management systems
- Psychomotor research & kinesiology
- Clinical research
  - e.g., treatment, prevention or diagnosis of a condition, disorder or disease; testing or evaluating the impact of interventions, medication or medical aids
- Therapy
  - e.g., counselling, interventions, psychotherapy, rehabilitation, speech & occupational therapy, validation/testing of diagnostic tools
- Epidemiology
- Anything CIHR will fund

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SSHRC Eligible:

- Psychology: social, developmental, personality and educational
- theory and methods related to above
- Cinematic or other artistic portrayals of illness in which health promotion is not a central aim;
- Religious and/or cultural research related to dietary or other practices (e.g., fasting, vegetarians, gluten-rejectors, anti-vaxxers)
- Use of physiological methods to improve learning, teaching & curriculum development, or investigate social/cultural processes & behaviors
- Biographies of health practitioners or health scientists;
- Histories of health and hygiene in ancient civilizations
- Impact of the health-care industry on national or local economies;
- Impact of epidemics on the profitability of insurance companies

Likely Eligible:

- Socio-economic & cultural determinants of health
- Theoretical & empirical research on the social construction of health, sickness and health concepts or behaviours

Partnership Development Grants (PDG): Key Features

- **Applicant**: Project director

- **Duration**: 1 to 3 years

- **Value**: $75,000 to $200,000

- **Cash and in-kind contributions**: While there is no minimum contribution required from partners, applicants and partners are expected to demonstrate that a formal partnership exists or will be developed, in part through the financial and non-financial commitments made by partners.

- **Application process**: One-stage application

- **Applicable Programs**: Insight, Connection or a combination of both.

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Partnership Development Competition

Partnership Grants (PG): Key Features

- **Applicant:** Institution

- **Duration:** 4 to 7 years

- **Value:** Typically $500,000 to $2.5 million, with requests for lower or higher amounts considered

- **Cash and in-kind contributions:** Minimum 35 per cent institutional and partner contributions required above and beyond SSHRC funding during life of grant

- **Two-stage application process:** Letter of Intent (LOI) and Formal Application (by invitation only)

- **Applicable Programs:** Insight, Connection or a combination of both. **NEW:** Proposals exclusively for partnered research training initiatives are expected to respond to the objectives of the Talent program.

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Partnership Competition

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Key Differences: PG and PDG

- **Applicant:** Institution (PG) and Individual (PDG)

- **Size and scope:** Typically from $500K to $2.5M over 4 to 7 years (PG) and from $75K to $200K over 1 to 3 years (PDG)

- **Application process:** Two-stage (PG) and one-stage (PDG)

- **Cash and/or in-kind contributions:** Minimum 35% required (PG) and no minimum requirement (PDG)

- **University** holds the successful grant [Not PI].

- **Formal entities**: MOU-type documentation is required.

- 35% *minimum* cash or in-kind contribution from partner. MITACS studentships funding eligible as part of the 35%.

- **Partners** = Canadian or foreign postsecondary, gov't dept, for-profit business, social enterprise, not-for-profit or foundation. At least 1 Canadian postsecondary institution; at least 1 different from the institution administering the funds. May be academic institutions.

- **Authentic:** partners active in the project; essential to project success.

- **Supporting organizations** contribute cash and/or in-kind contributions but are not actively participating in project activities.

- **Project Director** leads the application & research, on behalf of the formal partnership.

- **Co-applicants** = may be from most Canadian organizations and from international post-secondary institutions. Take an active role in writing the research proposal, conducting research analysis and disseminating results. Assist the PD in research responsibilities.

- **Collaborators** = may be from any organization, Canadian or international. Contribute to discrete portions of the project. May be part of community or partner organization.

- **Talent** = Postdoctoral Fellows, Doctoral Candidates, Doctoral Students, Masters Students, Undergraduate Students = excellent to include, but as contributors to research tasks, not to fund their thesis.

- **Compelling challenge** - timely, national or international impact; inclusion of Indigenous or other equity-seeking peoples; big problems, require partnership to solve.

- **Excellent CVs** - strong record of publication of past research results; experience in large team research & talent development

- **Governance** – clear structures; Charter; MOU; Team Leadership

- **Communications Clear strategies between partners** [Timelines, dates, techniques]

- **Progressive practices & perspectives designed into research questions & activities** - EDI; Effective Research Training; community-engaged KMb; Open Access publications, Research Data Management Planning; Open Data.

Arppe, Antti

21st Century Tools for Indigenous Languages 2019-2026. $2.5M

Gokiert, Rebecca

Evaluation Capacity Network: Collaborating for Community-Driven and Culturally Relevant Early Childhood Practices, Programs, and Policies. 2019-2026. $2.49M

Parlee, Brenda

Tracking Change - The Role of Local and Traditional Knowledge in Watershed Governance. 2014-2021. $2.48M

Peck, Carla

Thinking Historically for Canada's Future. 2019-2026. $2.5M

Weber, Andrzej

Individual Life histories in long-term culture change: Holocene Hunter-gatherers in Northern Eurasia. 2019-2026. $2.49M
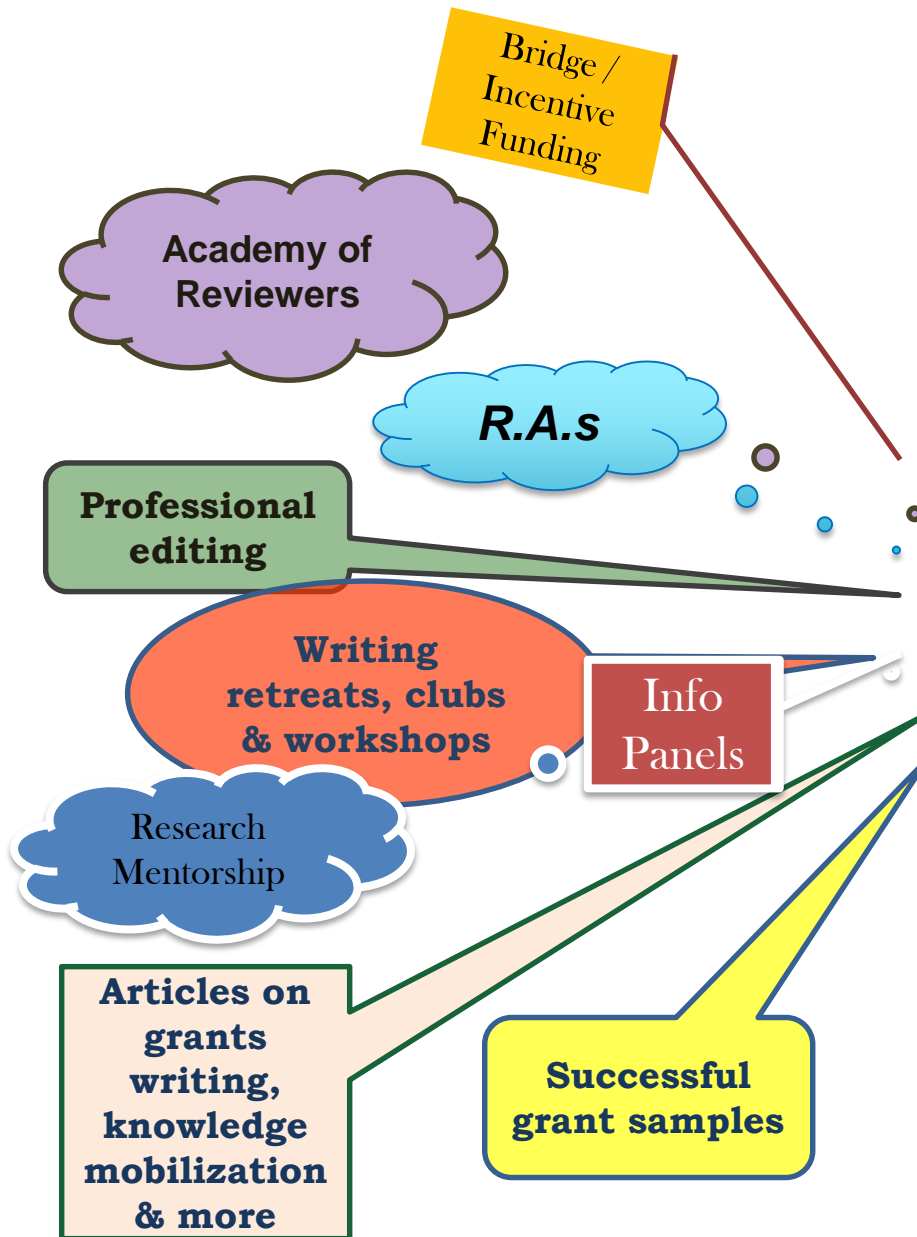
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Application supports for:

- **INSIGHT DEVELOPMENT**

- **INSIGHT**

- **PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

- **PARTNERSHIP**

- *Competitions not specifically supported:*

- **CONNECTION**

- **PARTNERSHIP ENGAGE**

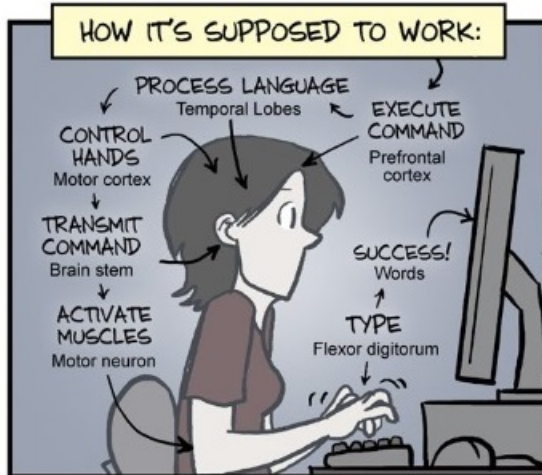## Annual Grant Writing Boot Camp & Retreat Schedule:

- **Oct-Nov: IDG**

- **May-June: IG/PDG**

- **July-Aug:** *"Lemons to Lemonade"* *unsuccessful grant revision retreat.*

- ***Announcements via <sshrcUofA> list***

Revision is the new Black

THE NEUROBIOLOGY OF WRITING

HOW IT'S SUPPOSED TO WORK:

HOW IT USUALLY WORKS:

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Grant Assist Program (SSH) Event Calendar

SAVE THE DATE: PG1 prep [EDI & Intersectionality in Research Design]

June 13, 2019 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Summer Support from GAP SSH

June 21, 2019 8:30 AM - 9:50 AM

SAVE THE DATE: PG1 prep [Engaged Research / KMb planning]

September 10, 2019 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

SAVE THE DATE: PG1 prep [Editing]

September 17, 2019 9:30 AM - 10:50 AM

SAVE THE DATE: PG1 PREP [Final Stages]

November 19, 2019 9:30 AM - 10:50 AM

The Holy Grail: uab.ca/ssh

Announcements / Google Calendar:
https://www.ualberta.ca/research/support/grant-assist-program/social-sciences-humanities/announcements

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