

RESEARCH FACILITATION - COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE

For the past three years the College RSAW Office has been operating with reduced capacity for RSAW support, going from three Research Planning and Facilitation Officers (RPFO) to one. This reduction in resources has impacted the ability of the RSAW Office to support all faculty and to provide support for all funding programs in a meaningful way. Faculty in the College of Arts & Science apply to a variety of funding programs to support RSAW activity and in 2022/23 over 170 funding applications were supported by one RPFO.

The College RSAW office is currently developing a plan to restructure and reinvest in research support. However, given current resource constraints, and in an effort to provide <u>meaningful</u> grant support, we are targeting RPFO support in 2023/24 to a select number of Tri Agency individual researcher programs. Although all funding programs and sources are valued, the College has considerable room for growth in scholarly engagement and funding success in the following programs:

	Program	National Success Rate
SSHRC	Insight Development Grant	(2021): 56.3%
SSIRC		(2022): 55.8%
	Insight Grant	(2021): 52.5%
		(2022): 44.5%
	Partnership Development Grant	(2021): 74.6%
		(2022): 47.8%
NSERC	Discovery Grant	(2022): 68.0%
	Research, Tools, & Instruments	(2022): 35.0%
CIHR	Project Grant	(F2022): 35.0%
NFRF	Exploration	(2021): 23.0%

If you are applying to one of the above funding competitions in 2023/24 and would like to have meaningful research facilitation support for application development, including a full review prior to submission to the agency, you will need to:

- (1) Notify the Research Planning & Facilitation Officer (Colleen Cochran colleen.cochran@usask.ca) of your intent to apply by the deadline(s) provided.
- (2) Work with the RPFO to create a timeline for application development activities.
- (3) Submit your application(s) for final review by the Arts & Science review deadline.

This approach is to ensure that you have meaningful RPFO support for the development of a highly competitive funding application.

Applicants are *not required* to follow the above process to apply to any of these programs. However, applicants who do not engage with the RPFO as per the above scheduled process will not receive grant development support or a full application review by the College leading up to or before the Agency deadline.

If you are applying to a Tri-Agency program or Tri-Agency Special Call not listed above, you are welcomed and encouraged to contact the RFPO and Vice-Dean RSAW to inquire about possible research facilitation supports. Such supports will be provided on a case-by-case basis depending on workload and commitments.

Of course, you can always contact the Vice-Dean RSAW Office and RPFO for general questions about all funding program opportunities.



2023/24 RPFO Grant Support Schedule

	Program	Deadline to notify your RPFO of your intent to apply and to receive grant development support:	Deadline for submission of final application to College for approval:
SSHRC	Insight Development Grant	October 2, 2023	January 18, 2024
	Insight Grant	June 16, 2023	September 18, 2023
	Partnership Development Grant	July 3, 2023	November 1, 2023
NSERC	Discovery Grant	July 3, 2023	October 18, 2023
	Research, Tools, & Instruments	July 3, 2023	October 11, 2023
CIHR	Project Grant	May 31, 2023	August 31, 2023
NFRF	Exploration	May 31, 2023	August 30, 2023

^{*}Some dates not yet confirmed by Agencies – these are based on 2022 dates – to be updated & re-distributed*