IURC /Tri-University Partnership Research Fund – 2018/2019 Call for Proposals

Special Call: Disaster PR^3 (Prevention, Response, Recovery, Resilience) Collaborative Grants

<u>Proposal Submission Deadline</u>
January 25, 2019

CONTEXT

To promote inter-institutional and inter-disciplinary research collaborations among TRU, UBCO and UNBC, the Interior University Research Coalition (IURC) has established the Tri-University Partnership Research Fund. The goal of the program is to stimulate thematic research and extend research collaborations across the three campuses.

The goal of this special call is to establish inter-institutional and inter-disciplinary research teams to address a very imminent, timely and complex research area, "Disaster Prevention, Response, Recovery and Resilience," which is of critical importance to British Columbia. The Disaster PR^3 Collaborative Grant will support research answering the question: "How do we better plan for, respond to, and recover from natural disasters?"

THE OPPORTUNITY

The reality of climate change and increased development of BC's vast area have emerged as potential factors in the development of wildfires, floods and other natural disasters. The IURC aims to support and advance research and creative engagement that addresses the needs of communities, municipal and provincial governments, and other peoples and nations struggling to meet these challenges. The Disaster PR^3 Collaborative Grants will support researchers from across the research and creative disciplines--from arts to engineering, law to health, digital media to urban planning, from all three campuses and enriched with Aboriginal/Indigenous/ancestral awareness, to analyze and consider the full story of wildfires, floods and drought. This interdisciplinary initiative engages all facets of research interest including but not limited to these themes:

Prediction: Forestry; Indigenous Resource Management; Climatology; Natural and Environmental Sciences; Physical and Cultural Geography; Digital mapping and modelling; Rural Studies; Hydrology
Prevention: Urban Planning; Indigenous Knowledge-Keeping; Architecture; Civil Engineering; Environmental Engineering; Materials Science; Tourism and Hospitality; Sustainability Studies; Education
Response: Policy; Economics; Health care/Nursing; Housing and Urban Development; Political leadership
Resilience: Natural/Environmental/Ecosystem Science; Healthcare; Artistic Practice; Community Engagement; Materials Science; Tourism and Hospitality; Gender and Women's Studies; Remote and Rural Community Studies; Indigenous Knowledge-Keeping and Education
Memory: Fine Arts; History; Literature; Creative Writing; Media and Digital Studies; Indigenous Culture; Education

Value and Duration:

PR[3] grants are valued at up to $40,000 for one year. Funds are awarded on the basis of merit of the proposal, team members' research excellence, HQP training, and ability to leverage external funding. All applications are peer-reviewed by an inter-institutional faculty committee.

Awarded projects will have a single administrative lead who will be responsible for managing all aspects of the project, including financial oversight, and will provide a mid-term report and a final report that describes progress against milestones to the Director of the Tri-University Partnership Office.

Applications for this funding call must be submitted electronically to Janice.Larson@ubc.ca by **4:00 pm Pacific Time on January 25, 2019.**

ELIGIBILITY

Full time faculty with ongoing or tenure-track appointments are eligible to apply. Those holding sessional or term appointments may contribute to and receive funding from an approved project, but they are not eligible to apply as PIs.

Joint research proposals can originate from any one of the three IURC institutions, and must be led/co-led by IURC researchers. Proposals must include researchers from each of the three IURC institutions but can also include researchers from non-IURC institutions. Teams representing Early Career Researchers (within three years of appointment as tenure or tenure-track), women and Indigenous faculty are encouraged to apply.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Joint research proposals across all disciplines are invited addressing at least one of themes identified above. Applications demonstrating engagement with and/or plans to develop Indigenous partnerships, and addressing equity, diversity and inclusion are encouraged.

Applications will consist of a *single PDF document* that includes the following (in order):
o Cover page and PI and co-applicant(s) signatures
o Project Description page (one page maximum) containing:
    o A descriptive title;
    o key words;
    o the theme(s) under which proposal falls; and
    o Abstract of proposed collaborative project (100 words)

o A detailed proposal (maximum five pages including references, 12-point Times New Roman Font, single-sided, 1.5 spacing) addressing the evaluation criteria such that reviewers can evaluate the goals and approach of your proposed research. The description should address one or more themes identified above making a case for uniqueness, value and impact of the proposed research and include a clear rationale for the collaborative and interdiscplinary approach, methodology employed, a work plan including timelines, the anticipated research contributions and impacts.

o   Provide a brief plan for how the team will pursue follow-up funding based on the research completed, including specific award program, design of the collaborative partnership, potential cash and/or in-kind contributions (if required), planned publication outcomes and timelines, and timelines for preparing proposals (1/2 page).

o   Itemized budget and justification (maximum two pages): Provide a detailed budget and justification for the funds being requested. Budgets may be supplemented through cash and /in-kind support from participating faculties and partners, but this is not a requirement for application.

-Project participants (maximum 2 pages) (the lead applicant, co-applicant and collaborators), including:

- Full name and position;
- An overview of team members describing their relevant experience and research contribution highlighting individual capabilities, strengths and experience
- CVs (either institutional/academic or CCV) for the lead applicant(s) and co-applicants
- Support letter(s) from the applicant's institution (Head, Dean and/or VPR) may be included as relevant.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Priority is given to proposals that build new collaborative and interdisciplinary teams and involve the promise of significant and potential long-term collaboration with faculty members from TRU, UNBC and UBCO
- Priority is given to proposals judged as most likely to produce tangible research results (i.e., peer-reviewed publications) and, on the basis of those results, to secure external funding within two years from the start of Collaboration Grant
- Priority is given to proposals judged as feasible, given their scope, timelines and the research track record of the applicants
- Priority is given to proposals that are most likely to develop and enhance the applicants' research and scholarly profile
- Priority is given to proposals that develop and enhance TriU research capacity by including, where appropriate, early career researchers as part of the collaboration
- Priority will be given to proposals involving student research training
- Priority is given to proposals with the potential to address research theme(s) identified in this call

ELIGIBILITY OF BUDGET REQUESTS

All proposed expenses are subject to the policies and requirements outlined in the Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide (TAFAG) and must be expended within 12 months from the date of approval. Extensions of up to three months may be permitted by the program administrator if received at least 30 days prior to the award term end date. Residual funds will be returned to source.

- Funding may be used to pay for research assistants, but neither a grantee nor a member of the grantee's family may receive remuneration
- Funding may be used to pay for travel directly related to the research and to the development of the partnership and funding proposal
- Salary and benefits for a Post-Doctoral Fellow
- Direct support to Graduate student research that fulfils degree requirements
- Funding for publication
- Other items necessary for research, the partnership development, and the completion of the application for external funding

Ineligible expenses:
- Release time for faculty
- Office supplies
- Computers, computer hardware and software
- Expenses incurred outside of the award term

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APPLICANTS SIGNATURE FORM

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Principal Applicant Information

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Applicant Name	Signature	Date
Unit Head Signature *(if applicable)*		
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Co-Applicants' Information

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