CIFAR Call for Proposals: AI and COVID-19 Catalyst Grants

 Updated Information
Added: Internal Deadline
Date: Friday March 27th, 2020 at 4:30pm.
Notes: Please submit a PDF copy of the application, along with an OR-5 Form
to research.services@uoguelph.ca [1]

Sponsor

Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR)

Program

AI and COVID-19 Catalyst Grants

Description

CIFAR is issuing a targeted call for AI and COVID-19 interdisciplinary research collaborations to spark innovative, high-risk/high-reward ideas and projects. CIFAR's Catalyst Program provides seed funding for time-limited activities.

Sample topics may include: pathogenicity and/or transmission of COVID-19, AI tools to accelerate vaccine development, or AI applications to advance our understanding of the economic impacts of the COVID-19, among others.

Examples of eligible catalyst-supported activities include, but are not limited to:

- Pilot projects
- Interdisciplinary projects involving trainees
- Large-scale, team-based grant proposal development

Eligibility

Submission Requirements:

- Proposals must be submitted jointly by at least two Principal Investigators
  - One applicant must be a current CIFAR Program Member [2] or Canada CIFAR AI Chair [3]
  - Co-applicant(s) may include past CIFAR program members, or researchers at

any institution around the world
- Must not exceed one page (approx. 500 words).
- Title and brief description of the project or activity
- Proposed start date of the activity
- Name(s) of co-supervised trainee(s) (if applicable/known)
- Estimated budget (not to exceed $15,000 CAD)

Proposal should describe the potential:

- Impact on society;
- Understanding of an aspect of COVID-19;
- Impact on career development for trainees; and
- Outputs

Proposals will be reviewed and recommended for funding by CIFAR's program advisory committee members and international college of reviewers.

Maximum Project Value

Up to $15,000.

Indirect Costs

0%

Special Notes

Please refer to the Office of Research COVID 19 web-page [4] for directives related to research activities at the University of Guelph.

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

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Type	Date	Notes
External Deadline	Friday, April 3, 2020 - 11:59pm	
		Proposals due to sponsor through CIFAR's website [5].

How to Apply

For more information on the CIFAR AI Catalyst Grant and how to apply, please visit their website [5]. Successful applicants will be notified on April 6, 2020.
For Questions, please contact
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