

Joint Initiative for Digital Citizen Research Grants - SSHRC Insight Grants

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Canadian Heritage and Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

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- Program guidelines
- Application forms
- Evaluation criteria

Description

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) is pleased to announce the [Initiative for Digital Citizen Research](#) [2] (IDCR), a new joint initiative with the Department of Canadian Heritage (PCH) and one component of Canadian Heritage's [Digital Citizen Initiative](#) [3].

Canadian Heritage is partnering with the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) to provide research grants and research training supplements through three arms-length funding opportunities: SSHRC [Insight Grants](#) [4] and the SSHRC [Postdoctoral Fellowships](#) [5]. This funding provides assistance to selected postsecondary institution-affiliated researchers and postdoctoral scholars to conduct research related to online disinformation and other online harms as well as their impact in the Canadian context.

The Joint Initiative has 3 broad objectives:

- to promote Canadian research that will develop better understanding — based on empirical evidence — of the impacts of online disinformation in Canada in order to better inform programs and policies;
- to build Canada's capacity to conduct research on and related to countering online disinformation and other related online harms, specifically in the target areas described below; and
- to help foster a community of research in the digital citizenship and online disinformation space in Canada.

Eligibility

Researchers affiliated with a Canadian postsecondary institution eligible to hold SSHRC funding.

Maximum Project Value

The Joint Initiative's Research Grants are available for **Insight Grant** applications and are worth up to a maximum of \$100,000 annually, but not totaling more than \$250,000 in a 3-year period.

Insight Grant applicants who request funding for up to 5 years and for more than \$250,000 via the Insight Grant application may also be considered for the Joint Initiative's funding. Those applicants will be requested to resubmit an adjusted 3-year budget.

A minimum request of \$7,000 is required in at least 1 year of the project.

The Joint Initiative's Research Grant supplements worth up to \$20,000 are available to successful **Insight Grant** recipients, in addition to the value of their grant.

Indirect Costs

0%

Project Duration

up to 3 years

Special Notes

Funding terms

Each application for a Joint Initiative Research Grant is adjudicated first by the relevant SSHRC adjudication committee. If the application is ranked above the 5th and 6th sextiles, it is then referred to the Canadian Heritage Digital Citizen Research Consultative Body, which assesses whether the research will contribute to enhance the understanding of the impacts of online disinformation in Canada.

The committee reviews each application and forms a consensus on whether the proposed research adequately meets the funding opportunity's objectives and target areas. The applications of SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship and Doctoral Award holders that are relevant to the Joint Initiative's target areas will also be referred to the Canada Heritage Digital Citizen Research Consultative Body for a relevance review.

The Canadian Heritage Digital Citizen Initiative Consultative Body's decisions cannot be appealed.

All grant and award holders are expected to use their grant or supplement funding to participate at the annual Conference on Digital Citizen Research to be organized by Canadian Heritage. Postdoctoral Fellowship and Doctoral Award supplement holders may be eligible for additional funding to offset lodging and travel expenses related to the conference, as determined on a case-by-case basis.

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Monday, October 7, 2019 - 11:59pm	<p>Applicant to submit copy of application along with a complete OR5 form to: research.services@uoguelph.ca [6]. Must 'submit' on the SSHRC portal on or before the internal deadline to the application to be considered on time.</p> <p>Those seeking to engage in short- or long-term research on online disinformation and other related online harms and their impact in the Canadian context are encouraged to apply for funding through the Insight Grants [4] funding opportunity and designate their application as part of the Joint Initiative.</p>
External Deadline	Tuesday, October 15, 2019 - 4:30pm	<p>Application to be submitted to SSHRC via on line portal by Office of Research Services.</p>

For Questions, please contact

Please contact the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council to apply for funding through arms-length Insight Grants:

- Email: insightgrants@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca [7]

- Telephone: 613-996-6976

Please contact Canadian Heritage for more information on the Joint Initiative for Digital Citizen Research:

- Department of Canadian Heritage
Digital Citizen Initiative
25 Eddy Street, 7th Floor
Gatineau QC K1A 0M5
- Email: Pch.icn-dci.pch@canada.ca [8]
- Telephone: 1-866-811-0055 (toll-free)
- TTY: 1-888-997-3123 (toll-free)

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- [1] <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/online-disinformation/joint-initiative-digital-citizen-research/insight-grants.html>
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