**Updated Information** 

Further details to the application and evaluation process for COVID-19 research applications have been provided.?

Internal Deadline: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 12:00pm

External Deadline: Friday, April 24, 2020 at 5:00pm

## **Sponsor**

Ministry of College and Universities (MCU), Government of Ontario

### **Program**

Ontario Together: help fight Coronavirus

#### For More Information

Ontario Together Portal [1]

## **Description**

Note: This call is urgent, competitive and time sensitive. Those interested in applying should submit a copy of the proposal and OR-5 form to the Office of Research Services as soon as possible.

Ontario Together: help fight Coronavirus

Given recent events surrounding the spread of COVID-19 across Ontario, the Ontario government is reaching out to experts in research and innovation across the province regarding an opportunity to team up and be a part of the solution in battling COVID-19.

Ontario is home to world class research, innovative industries and solution-oriented businesses. The Government of Ontario is calling on you to offer solutions that meet the evolving challenges in ideas, supplies, goods and services related to the COVID-19 response.

The new Ontario Together [1] portal, will identify specific supply challenges faced by our healthcare system and front-line workers and solicit proposals from Ontario research, business

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and manufacturing communities on how they could help battle COVID-19. The government will review all submissions and work with selected participants to procure made-in-Ontario solutions.

Across the province, each one of us has a role to play in keeping our communities safe and healthy. Through Ontario Together [1] the government is ensuring the needs of our sectors and communities can be met quickly and efficiently in a rapidly changing environment.

If you believe your institution, company and/or facilities have the capacity to provide innovative solutions to the province, you are encouraged to submit a proposal through the portal. Please do not hesitate to contact Chris Scott at <a href="mailto:chris.scott@ontario.ca">chris.scott@ontario.ca</a> [2] for more information.

Thank you for your support and cooperation during this challenging time. The Government of Ontario looks forward to receiving your proposals on how best to meet the evolving needs related to the COVID-19 response.

### **Eligibility**

Businesses and organizations who can supply emergency products and innovative solutions to support Ontario's response to COVID-19.

### **Indirect Costs**

40%

# **Special Notes**

For more information, see: Ontario Government Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) [3].

The Government of Canada also needs products and services: Find out what they need [4].

Please refer to the Office of Research COVID 19 web-page [5] 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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the submission, along with an OR-5 Form to
research.services@uoguelph.c
a [6] prior to submitting your idea in the Ontario Together
Portal. You can generate a
PDF of your draft submission by clicking "Preview" in the portal, and then pressing the printer icon to Print as a PDF.
You may need to re-generate the submission since it is prepared in one sitting.

After institutional approval, and submission of your proposal through the Ontario Together portal, you may be invited to submit and MCU application form. The MCU application form is attached below for your reference (Covid19 Rapid Research Application\_Final). If invited to complete the MCU application form, MCU will contact the researcher and institution to provide a deadline of (7) days to submit the final application package to MCU. The Office of Research Services needs to endorse and submit the final application package on behalf of the researcher. To allow for review and endorsement, the completed MCU application package needs to be submitted to the Office of Research Services (2) two business days prior to the deadline established by MCU. No OR5 is necessary at this point, as it should have been approved at point of initial submission to the Ontario **Together Portal.** 

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**External Deadline** Friday, April 24, 2020 - 5:00pm

The deadline for submission of research proposals through the Ontario Together Portal
[1] is Friday April 24th.

# **How to Apply**

If you want apply for this funding opportunity, please notify your College-level Associate Dean Research (ADR) for awareness as soon as possible.

Please review the attached Covid19 Rapid Research Fund Guidelines document.

Important Notes about the submission through the Ontario Together Portal

- Proposal should be submitted to the Ideas Section of the Ontario Together Portal
- Submission though the Ontario Together Portal will be accepted until Friday, April 24, 2020 (as per Deadlines above, institutional approval is required prior to submission)
- Ensure that you apply as an "Organization" and name the University of Guelph
- Contact Kristin Gibson (kristin5@uoguelph.ca [7]) to obtain the CRA business number
- The project title should start with the words: "MCU Research Proposal"
- Ensure 40% overhead has been included in the brief budget
- The earliest a project can start is January 1, 2020. Expenditures are eligible from the project start date.

Researchers that have already submitted an application through the Ontario Together portal do not need to re-submit their application.

# Attachment(s)

Attachment Size

Covid19 Rapid Research Fund 203.24 KB

Guidelines Final.pdf [8]

Covid19 Rapid Research 64.18 KB

Application Final.docx [9]

For Questions, please contact

If you need help making an online submission, call <u>1-888-777-0554</u> [10]

Please contact: Chris Scott via e-mail: <a href="mailto:chris.scott@ontario.ca">chris.scott@ontario.ca</a> [2]

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#### Links

- [1] https://www.ontario.ca/page/how-your-organization-can-help-fight-coronavirus
- [2] mailto:chris.scott@ontario.ca
- [3] https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus
- [4] https://buyandsell.gc.ca/calling-all-suppliers-help-canada-combat-covid-19
- [5] https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/article/2019-novel-coronavirus-information
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- [8] https://www-research.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/sites/default/files/attachments/Covid19%20Rapid%20Research%20Fund%20Guidelines\_Final.pdf
- [9] https://www-research.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/sites/default/files/attachments/Covid19%2 0Rapid%20Research%20Application\_Final.docx

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