SSHRC Knowledge Synthesis Grant - Informing Best Practices in Environmental and Impact Assessments

Sponsor

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA)

For More Information

For additional information, please visit the [program's websites](#) [1] for

- Program guidelines
- Application forms
- Evaluation criteria

Description

SSHRC and the [Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency](#) [2] (CEAA) have launched this Knowledge Synthesis Grants (KSG) competition to stimulate social sciences and humanities research that will help inform best practices related to environmental and impact assessments. Environmental assessment and impact assessment (which take into consideration a broader range of factors, such as socio-economic) are planning and decision-making tools to minimize or avoid the potential adverse environmental effects of a project and to maximize positive impacts and incorporate environmental and other factors into decision-making.

These grants aim to increase the understanding of existing knowledge in the social sciences and humanities and its application to environmental and impact assessments. By examining the themes (Socio-economic effects, Gender-based analysis plus, Sustainability, Indigenous partnership and engagement, Public participation and transparency, and Regional and strategic assessment), including from an inter-disciplinary perspective, the knowledge synthesis should identify lessons learned, best practices and critical gaps that may be addressed through future research.

This funding opportunity will support researchers, teams of researchers and knowledge users in producing knowledge syntheses and scoping reviews that:

- support the use of evidence in decision-making, and the application of best practices; and
- assist in developing future research agendas.

Applicants must address the following three objectives of the funding opportunity in their proposals:

State of knowledge, strengths and gaps:

- critically assess the state of knowledge of the theme under consideration from a variety of sources, as appropriate;
- identify knowledge strengths and gaps within the theme; and
- identify the most promising policies and practices related to the theme.

Research data:

- assess the quality, accuracy and rigour (i.e., methodological approaches) of current work in the field; and
- identify strengths and gaps in the quantitative and qualitative data available.

Knowledge mobilization:

- engage cross-sectoral stakeholders, including government policy-makers, throughout the project to mobilize knowledge related to promising policies and practices; and
- use effective knowledge mobilization methods to facilitate the sharing of research findings with multisectoral stakeholders (academic, public, private and not-for-profit sectors).

Eligibility

Applicants [3] must be affiliated with an eligible Canadian institution [4] before funding can be released. Researchers who maintain an affiliation with a Canadian postsecondary institution, but whose primary affiliation is with a non-Canadian postsecondary institution, are **not eligible** to be applicants.

Applicants who have received a SSHRC grant of any type but who have failed to submit an end of grant report [5] by the deadline specified in their Notice of Award are not eligible to apply for this or any other SSHRC grant until they have submitted the report.

Postdoctoral researchers are eligible to be applicants if they have established a formal affiliation with an eligible institution at the time of application and maintain such an affiliation for the duration of the grant period.

Funding Availability

Up to 13 grants may be awarded.

Maximum Project Value

Up to $30,000

Indirect Costs

0%

Project Duration

1 year - all synthesis reports must be completed by March 2020

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Wednesday, July 3, 2019 - 11:59pm	Applicant to submit copy of application along with a complete OR5 form to: research.services@uoguelph.ca [6]
External Deadline	Wednesday, July 10, 2019 - 8:00pm	Applicant to **email complete applications in .pdf format to** ksg-ssc@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca [7]. Remember to include a signed Consent to Disclosure of Personal Information [8] for each applicant and co-applicant. More information about this grant opportunity can be found on the SSHRC website [9].

Information For Co-applicants

If you need to meet a deadline set by the lead institution for this opportunity, please ensure that you provide the Office of Research with at least five days in advance of the lead institution's deadline to review the application, or your proposed component of the project. Please be in touch with the Office of Research (contact information below) ahead of the deadline if it looks like it will be difficult for you to submit all the required documentation on time (i.e. budget, proposal, OR-5 Form).
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