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Online Brochure
Winter 2023

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A Message From the Academic Director

Dear Research Commons Community,

The start of the Winter semester is a great time to begin setting intentions for the upcoming year. Maybe you're interested in applying for a new award or grant, or maybe you want to learn more about research opportunities and supports at York. We hope one (or more) of our Winter term workshops can help you with your research goals.

While looking through the Research Commons Workshop Booklet for the 2023 Winter Semester you may notice that we are offering fewer workshops than usual this semester. As the three-year pilot phase of Research Commons comes to an end, a greater portion of our time in 2023 will be spent on reviewing, revisioning and restructuring our programs for the future. If there is a workshop you were looking forward to attending and we are not offering it at this time, please know that there will be more coming in the next academic year. And let us know what you're missing and hoping we bring back. We'd love to hear from you!

Workshops such as our Tri-council operating grant information sessions will now be held in May, with mock reviews for specific funding programs to follow in June. The dates of these workshops, and additional workshops hosted by us will be sent out via the listserv in Spring 2023.

After spending the last few months hearing about the research needs from across York's campuses, we are excited to envision and further develop integrated and comprehensive programs that support career advancement, facilitate creativity and collaboration, and elevate research impact.

We thank you for understanding, and we look forward to seeing you at our workshops this semester!

Best regards,
Luann
Winter 2023 Workshop Overview

**Innovation York: Mitacs**
January 11, 2023 from 10:00 am - 11:30 am

**Innovation York: Knowledge Mobilization Planning**
January 18, 2023 from 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

**Why Apply for External Funding?**
New Date to be Announced

**Building a Research Team: Thinking Decolonization, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (DEDI)**
February 14, 2023 from 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

**Building a Research Team: High-Quality Personnel (HQP)**
February 16, 2023 from 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

**NSERC: Alliance Information Session**
March 1, 2023 from 10:00 am - 11:30 am

**Opportunités de Recherche en Français à York?**
L'Amicale Francophone de York
March 10, 2023 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Winter 2023 Workshops
Innovation York: Mitacs

January 11, 2023
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Did you know that you can submit a proposal for Mitacs funding anytime, that funding decisions are generally made within six to eight weeks, it is open to all academic disciplines and over 95% of Mitacs applications are successful? Mitacs is a national non-profit organization that promotes collaborative research & development creation by connecting private sector (industry and non-profit) with post-secondary institutions to solve organizational challenges — in Canada and internationally. Mitacs provides matching funds for cutting-edge research, creates job opportunities for graduate students and post-docs, and helps companies and organizations reach their goals.

Meet our Senior Advisor, Business Development at Mitacs, Rachel Sung, and learn about the opportunities available through the Mitacs internship program, with a particular focus on Mitacs Accelerate. Mitacs is a national non-profit organization that delivers innovation through supporting collaborative research and development projects between community partners and academic institutions. Rachel works with various stakeholders in industry, nonprofit organizations, and academia to identify the appropriate funding opportunities for R&D and social innovation, and has supported projects of various sizes, ranging from four months to multi-year collaborations.

Presenters:
Rachel Sung
Senior Advisor, Business Development at Mitacs

Satinder Brar
Professor & James and Joanne Love Chair in Environmental Engineering, Lassonde School of Engineering

Janine Marchessault
Professor, School of the Arts, Media, Performance & Design

Registration: https://research.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=159388

Zoom Link: https://yorku.zoom.us/j/95225743750?

Meeting ID: 952 2574 3750
Passcode: 507861
Innovation York: Knowledge Mobilization Planning

January 18, 2023
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

How do you make your research relevant, useful for everyday life?
Knowledge Mobilization (KMb) takes the best of what we know and makes it useful to communities. And while dissemination of research results is important, KMb is embedded throughout the entire research process. Planning is a critical first step.
The KMb Unit will share emerging tools and offer researchers greater capacity to develop a knowledge mobilization plan for their research project, demonstrating how knowledge mobilization aligns itself with engaged scholarship and principles of data equity.
Two faculty members will share their experiences in developing successful knowledge mobilization plans. They will discuss the importance and integration of KMb practices throughout their project, and their scholarship.
The workshop will cover the importance of:
• cultivating reciprocal partnerships
• identifying clarity around data scope, utility and access
• creating knowledge products that help your partners access and implement key findings
• utilizing changes to service provision and/or public policy development can be attributed directly to your research efforts
• what in-kind supports are available for KMb plans, and
• developing strategies for success

Presenters:

Michael Johnny
Manager, Knowledge Mobilization, Innovation York

Jude Kong
Assistant Professor, Dept of Mathematics & Statistics, Faculty of Science

Nick Mule
Professor, School of Social Work, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
Sexuality Studies Coordinator and Professor, School of Gender, Sexuality and Women’s Studies, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

Registration: https://research.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=159490

Zoom Link: https://yorku.zoom.us/j/94844734429

MeetingID: 948 4473 4429
Passcode: 011180
Building a Research Team: Thinking Decolonization, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (DEDI) and High-Quality Personnel (HQP)

Are you at the point in your career where you’re beginning to build your research team, but unsure of where to start? Perhaps you need to expand your team? In our two-part Building a Research Team workshop series we will begin shedding some light on how to decide who you need on your team, the supports they will need and how to properly prepare (fiscally and culturally) for your new research team. We hope our workshop gets you and your new team ready to reach higher levels of research impact than imagined.

February 14, 2023
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Part 1: Planning and Recruiting for HQP and DEDI
We will be providing practical advice for:

- Learning how to write a job advertisement encouraging equity-seeking groups apply, and
- Ensure the interview, follow-up, and on boarding are smooth processes

Presenters:
Emma Yuen
Senior HR Officer, Office of the Vice-President Research and Innovation

Kim McIntrye
Postdoctoral Services & Professional Skills Coordinator, Faculty of Graduate Studies

Sapna Sharma
Associate Professor, Faculty of Science 2022 Postdoctoral Supervisor of the Year (Faculty of Graduate Studies)

Registration: https://research.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=163222

Zoom Link: https://yorku.zoom.us/j/96131218572?
Meeting ID: 961 3121 8572
Passcode: 484788
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February 16, 2023
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Part II: Hiring, Training, and Compensating HQP

• Provide technical and practical advice for hiring and paying your research team,
• Showcase the unique support and training a diverse research team might need, and
• Practical tips for embedding DEDI best practices through your research activities and mentorship.

Presenters:
Emma Yuen
Senior HR Officer, Office of the Vice-President Research and Innovation

Kim McIntrye
Postdoctoral Services & Professional Skills Coordinator, Faculty of Graduate Studies

Faculty Speaker TBD

Registration: https://research.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=164219

Zoom Link: https://yorku.zoom.us/j/91607692925?

Meeting ID: 916 0769 2925
Passcode: 870117
NSERC Alliance Information Session

March 1, 2023
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

With its rolling deadline and multiple stream of funding available, the NSERC Alliance grant requires a bit of forethought before you begin writing your grant. With a focus on encouraging university researchers to collaborate with partner organizations, which can be from the private, public or not-for-profit sectors. These grants support research projects led by strong, complementary, collaborative teams that will generate new knowledge and accelerate the application of research results to create benefits for Canada.

Why not stop by our workshop and:

- Help clear the confusion over which NSERC Alliance grant option is right for you?
- Hear from multiple departments in the university as they explain what makes the NSERC Alliance unique
- The level of support available depending on funding stream, and
- Hear tips that will help your application stand out!

Presenters:

Christina Corre
SIRI Specialist, Strategic & Institutional Research Initiatives, Office of Research Services

Joan Broussard
Director, Research Grants & Applications, Office of Research Services

Faculty Speaker To Be Announced

Registration: https://research.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=164995

Zoom Link: https://yorku.zoom.us/j/95617590755?passcode=848824

Meeting ID: 956 1759 0755
Passcode: 848824
Why Apply for External Funding?

Date To Be Determined

Have you wondered why you would put in the work to apply for an external grant when you can do the research you want without money? Do you feel pressure to “commodify” your program of research and your CV? Perhaps common metrics for success that simply count outputs, such as publications and research dollars, seem to you to one more expression of the ever-present colonial capitalist agenda that reproduces the corporate university, promoting competition and undermining collaboration. We invite you to engage with us in an open and critical conversation that takes seriously these commitments, and explores the opportunities, dilemmas, and pitfalls of pursuing external funding.

Presenters:
Annie Bunting
Associate Professor, Law & Society Program, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
Graduate Program Director, Socio-Legal Studies Program, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
Conjugal Slavery in War Project Director, The Harriet Tubman Institute for Research on Africa and its Diasporas

Enakshi Dua
Professor, School of Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

Luann Good Gingrich
Professor, School of Social Work, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
Director, Global Labour Research Centre, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
Interim Academic Director, Research Commons, Office of the Vice-President Research & Innovation

Registration:
https://research.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=162486

Zoom Link:
https://yorku.zoom.us/j/92656690255

Meeting ID: 926 5669 0255
Passcode: 765740
Opportunités de Recherche en Français à York? L’Amicale Francophone de York

Mars 10, 2023
13 h 00 – 14 h 30
Organisé par le Collège universitaire Glendon et l’Amicale francophone de York

L’Amicale francophone de York a identifié plusieurs défis liés à la conduite de la recherche en français à l’Université York, notamment le manque de visibilité des opportunités de recherche et l’absence de réseaux interfacultaires et interuniversitaires collégiaux en français. Ces besoins, partagés par de nombreux chercheurs francophones en contexte linguistique minoritaire, s’expriment en particulier en ce qui a trait aux possibilités de financement à l’extérieur des trois conseils du gouvernement fédéral. Néanmoins, des opportunités de recherche en français existent. Cet atelier servira à présenter un certain nombre d’opportunités de financement, de réseaux d’échange et de collaboration en français pour les chercheurs de l’Université York, tout en offrant un lieu d’échange pour les chercheurs francophones afin de discuter notamment des services de soutien à la recherche académique en français à Toronto et à York.

Modérateur:
Swann Paradis, Vice-principal à la recherche et aux études supérieures (Glendon)

Registration: https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0qdO2oqjgsHNVdT5KSSI1wNs7K1eQs7CUV
L’Amicale francophone de York has identified several challenges related to conducting research in French at York University. These challenges include the lack of visibility of research opportunities and the absence of interfaculty and collegial networks in French. These are shared by many Francophone researchers living in a linguistic minority context, with the notable example of finding funding opportunities in French outside the federal government’s Tri-Council competitions. Nevertheless, several research opportunities in French exist. In this workshop, we will present a number of funding opportunities, networks and potential collaborations in French for researchers at York University. It will also provide a forum for French-speaking researchers to discuss academic research support services in French in Toronto and at York University.

**Moderator:**
**Swann Paradis**
Associate Principal, Research & Graduate Studies, Glendon College

Registration: [https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0qdO2oqjgsHNVdT5KSSi1wNss7K1eQs7CUV](https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0qdO2oqjgsHNVdT5KSSi1wNss7K1eQs7CUV)
Summer 2023
Workshop Preview

May 2023
Grant Clinic Information Session
SSHRC Insight Grant Information Session
CIHR Project Grant Information Session
NSERC Discovery Grant Information Session

June 2023
Planning Tool for Indigenous Engaged Community Research
SSHRC Insight Grant Mock Review
CIHR Project Grant Mock Review
NSERC Discovery Grant Mock Review