

MITACS Research Training Award – Internal Call for Applications

PREAMBLE

MITACS is a national, not-for-profit organization that has designed and delivered research and training programs in Canada for 20 years. Working with 70 universities, 6,000 companies, and both federal and provincial governments, we build partnerships that support industrial and social innovation in Canada.

This year, MITACS has launched a new Research Training Award, which aims to fund students over the course of the summer in research-related projects. Laurentian University has been granted 4 spots for this initial cohort.

With the above in mind, the Office of Research Services would like to extend an internal call for applications for the Research Training Award.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this award is to fund a student to do a research project over the course of the summer.

ELIGIBILITY

Positions are open to any full-time undergraduate or graduate student registered at Laurentian University. Supervisors must be faculty members of Laurentian University who are eligible to receive Tri-Agency funding.

Funding provided is for a 12 to 16 week research project, and the project can commence no later than August 31st, 2020.

Note: Students are permitted to hold this award **and** attend full time classes at the same time.

AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Funding for four (4) awards of \$6000 each (\$3000 from MITACS, \$3000 from Laurentian University) is available, and all funding must support the student's salary and benefits.

APPLICATION CONTENT

Application for this Fund must be submitted to the Office of Research Services no later than 5 pm, on Friday July 10th.

Submissions should include:

1. A completed MITACS Research Training Award application form.

Assessment Criteria

- Applications to The Fund will be assessed by a committee, consisting of: at least one member of the Office of Research Services; and at least two other faculty members who are not applying to the fund.
- The applications will be evaluated based on the description provided in the application form, including: Student statement of Interest; research training plan background; anticipated research activities; significance of the project; skills enhancement; interaction and deliverables.
- Weight will be given to applications where the research project is considered critical in light of the current COVID 19 pandemic, and where research can begin immediately.
- Weight will also be given to applications where the applicants can cover all or part of the \$3000 university contribution.
- Projects chosen by internal review will then be sent to MITACS for approval by the agency.