Alliance grants

Terms and conditions of applying for applicants

Before you, as an applicant or co-applicant, submit your application to NSERC or link your information to an application, you must read and agree to the following terms and conditions.

Please retain a copy of the agreed terms and conditions for your records.

By submitting your application or linking your information, you are certifying that:

1. you have provided true, complete, accurate information in your funding application and related documents, and you have represented yourself, your research and your accomplishments in a manner consistent with the norms of the relevant field;

2. if you are the applicant, you have ensured that others listed on the application have agreed to be included in the application;

3. if you are a co-applicant, you agree that the applicant will administer the grant/award on behalf of the group/team;

4. you are not currently ineligible to apply for and/or hold funds from NSERC, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) or any other research or research funding organization worldwide for reasons of breach of policies on responsible conduct of research, such as ethics, integrity or financial management policies; if at any time you become ineligible for any of these reasons, you will advise your institutional officials and NSERC immediately, in writing;

5. you have read, understood and agree to comply with the Tri-Agency Framework: Responsible Conduct of Research both in the submission of your application and in carrying out the research funded by NSERC;

6. if you are or have been (at any time during the past 12 months) a federal public servant, you have complied with and will continue to respect the Values and Ethics Code for the Public Sector;

7. consent has been obtained from trainees to include limited personal information about them in the application;
8. you understand the Access to Information Act and the Privacy Act and the Use and disclosure of personal information provided to NSERC as they pertain to your information;

9. you consent to the sharing among the three federal granting agencies (NSERC, SSHRC and CIHR), and with any academic institution to which you are, or may become, affiliated, of any and all information, including personal information, in any way related to the application and to the grant;

10. you consent to the sharing of any and all information, including personal information, in any way related to the application and to the grant with Government of Canada departments and agencies, for the purpose of assessing risks to Canada’s national security in agreement with the National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships;

11. you have read and understood the program description to which you are applying and agree to all the specific requirements associated to it;

12. you consent to sharing among any co-funding organizations listed in the program description, or any co-funding organizations participating in the application, any and all information, including personal information, in any way related to the application, its adjudication and to the grant;

13. in the event of any change in your eligibility status, you will inform NSERC and your institutional officials immediately, in writing;

14. the funding requested in this proposal does not represent a budgetary overlap with any other funding support currently held or applied for;

15. you understand that NSERC may terminate the grant in the event that NSERC determines that eligibility of a partner is no longer met;

16. you understand that NSERC reserves the right to defer or cancel a grant or an instalment if the continued need for funds is not demonstrated, if the program objectives and/or eligibility criteria are not being met, or subject to the availability of funds and parliamentary appropriations;

17. you understand that NSERC may terminate, reduce the amount or duration, or change the terms and conditions of an award, in order to comply with Government of Canada laws, regulations, policies, directives, which are subject to change from time to time;

18. you understand that NSERC reserves the right to terminate support at any point if there is a determination by the Government of Canada of unacceptable national security risk related to the research, the grant recipient or co-recipient(s) and/or the partner organization(s);

19. you have read, understood, and agree to comply with the Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern (STRAC Policy) and that you and other applicants and collaborators have provided the appropriate attestations to NSERC, according to the Tri-Agency Guidance on the STRAC Policy, if the proposed research project(s) or program that will be supported by the grant aims to advance a List of Sensitive Technology Research Area.
20. you consent to the sharing of information included in the STRAC Policy attestation form, if applicable, with Government of Canada departments and agencies for the purpose of national security assessment and compliance with the STRAC Policy;

21. you understand that all research team members involved in the activities funded by this grant must comply with the STRAC Policy, for the duration of the grant.

By submitting your application or linking your information, you are also confirming that, during tenure of the grant, you will comply with the terms and conditions of the grant.

Consent to Disclosure of Personal Information:
You understand that maintaining public trust in the integrity of researchers is fundamental to building a knowledge-based society. By submitting any application, by accepting an invitation to participate as a co-applicant on an application or by accepting funding from CIHR, NSERC and/or SSHRC, you affirm that you have read and you agree to respect all the policies of these agencies that are relevant to your research, including the Tri-agency framework: Responsible conduct of research. In cases of a serious breach of agency policy, the agency may publicly disclose any information relevant to the breach that is in the public interest, including your name, the nature of the breach, the institution where you were employed at the time of the breach, the institution where you are currently employed and the recourse imposed against you. You accept this as a condition of applying for, or receiving, agency funding, and you consent to such disclosure. If you do not agree to the disclosure of your personal information, you cannot participate in this application. For further information, see the Consent to Disclosure of Personal Information - Frequently Asked Questions.

Confirmation of agreement to the Terms and Conditions of Applying:
If you have any concerns about your ability to comply with the terms and conditions listed above, contact your institutional official or NSERC staff responsible for the program immediately. Do not agree to the terms and conditions and do not submit your application or personal data form until you are certain that you can and will comply with all of the requirements.

I confirm the truth of all statements made by me in this application, and agree to all of the terms, conditions, responsibilities and obligations as set out above.