

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHER PARTNERSHIP WORKSHOP GRANT

Terms of Reference

Number:	6 grants of \$10,000 each
Call for Proposals:	November 30, 2023
Application Deadline:	January 10, 2024
Decisions:	January 31, 2024
Tenable:	Two - year period: April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2026

Overview

The international researcher partnership workshop is a partnership between two universities that have faculty members with similar research interests. The grant funds allow researchers the opportunity to meet and explore, identify and implement joint research interests and projects.

This initiative allows the matching of researchers, ideally at various stages of their careers, to have intensive, focused time to develop joint projects to fast-track outcomes and enhance potential for future opportunities. The collaboration is intended both to initiate or advance new projects and to identify and develop funding opportunities to support the work. Previously funded workshops resulted in collaborative research projects that received external international funding and resulted in joint publications.

For planning purposes, note that visits at both institutions, 6-12 months apart, can support progress of the work. Typically, these visits are 2-5 days, and matching funds from the partner institution and/or home faculty of the researchers are secured to make the reciprocal visits possible. For this grant application, identification of matching funds is encouraged, but not required. In some instance other funding can be leveraged. Some examples include the Mitacs Globalink program, the Tri-Council Michael Smith foreign study supplements for graduate scholarship holders, and Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) grants and fellowships.

The International Research Partnership Workshop grant is in support of Goal 3 of the [Global Engagement Plan](#), “Enhance Global Partnerships.”

Criteria

- For the **selection of the partner university**: there is an existing agreement, MOU **AND/OR** an established and sustainable research relationship (Joint publications, formal supervision of PhD students, visiting scholars, etc.). Applicants can use the search tool to find University of Calgary institutional partnerships here: [Partnership Database](#)
- **Participants**: Three at each institution - one workshop lead researcher and at least two other continuing (tenured or tenure-stream) faculty member participants. The researchers should have an identified set of shared interests. Graduate student participation is optional but not in lieu of faculty. Researchers from additional institutions may be included but may not replace participants from

UCalgary or the partner university.

- **Aligned with Plans and Strategies:** Projects should be aligned with [academic](#) and/or [research](#) plans and other institutional strategies and plans, such as the [Global Engagement Plan](#), Indigenous strategy (ii' taa'poh'to'p), research themes and faculty plans.
- A **sustainable plan** to manage the research activities if the pandemic continues to hinder travel for a longer period.
- **Approval** of the relevant faculty Dean(s) at both institutions.

Eligible Expenses:

This is a guideline and not a comprehensive list of eligible expenses. Other expenses can be considered.

- Travel costs: Airfare, transfers, ground transportation, accommodations, meals, visitor visas, etc.
- Workshop costs: venue, materials, catering, Research Assistants, etc.
- Costs associated with contingency plan for extended pandemic travel restrictions. E.g., online delivery, Research Assistantships, etc.)

This grant will NOT cover:

- Expenses considered part of the normal capital or operating budget of a unit; for example, computers, hardware, etc.
- Graduate Assistantships