

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)

Connect Grants

Subject Area:

Across the spectrum of natural and social sciences, engineering, humanities or health.

Intended to:

- **Level 1 Connect Grants** provide support for travel, accommodation, meals and meeting costs within Canada to college researchers and research administrators for outreach aimed at forming new partnerships with Canadian companies.
- **Level 2 Connect Grants** provide support for: 1) research planning and networking activities within Canada to develop new college–industry partnerships; 2) activities or promotional tools to encourage new partnerships supported by CCI Program grants.

Conditions:

- Individuals are limited to two Level 1 Connect Grants per fiscal year.
- Approved funding must be used within three months following the award start date (Level 1 Connect grants) or within 12 months following the award start date (Level 2 Connect grants).
- For Level 2 grants, potential applicants must discuss their proposed activities with NSERC Regional Office staff before applying.
- For activities that aim to build research partnerships with an industrial Partner, Partners must operate from a Canadian base, have been incorporated for a minimum of two years, and have a minimum of two full-time employees.

Value:

Level 1: Up to \$5,000

Level 2: Typically: up to \$5,000 - Exceptionally: up to \$25,000

Company Contribution: Not required

Sheridan's Contribution: Not required

Application Deadline: No deadline. Requests of \$5,000 or less must be submitted at least **four weeks** before the proposed activity. Requests exceeding \$5,000 must be submitted at least **12 weeks** before the proposed activity.

Notification of Award Decision: 2-4 weeks

How to Apply: This is an institutional grant. Applications will be made by the Sheridan Research Office on behalf of the Principal Investigator. To begin the application process, please download the **Expression of Interest Form** (for Faculty Researchers) or **Grant Application Summary Form** (for Research Centres) from Sheridan Central, or email research@sheridancollege.ca to discuss your research idea.

More information:

[NSERC website](#)
