

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)

Industrial Research Chairs for Colleges (IRCC) Grants

Subject Area:

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

Intended to:

- Support applied research leaders and their development of business-focused applied research programs at colleges.
- Enable Chairholders to conduct a program of applied research with partner companies in areas that meet local or regional socio-economic needs.
- Provide funding for technology transfer and knowledge dissemination activities as well as support for applied research projects through the purchase of equipment, training activities and other direct costs of applied research related to the Chair activities.

Conditions:

- Candidates should have a strong track record in conducting and managing industry-focused applied research projects.
- Candidate can be an existing faculty or other college staff member, or an external individual—such as an applied research leader in business whom the college intends to bring on staff following the awarding of an IRCC Grant.
- Chairholders shall devote at least 80% of their full-time work week on Chair-related activities. Salary for any time spent on non-Chair related activities, including teaching courses, is not covered by the IRCC grant.
- Eligible partners include Canadian public or private for-profit companies, industrial associations and public utilities who have the expertise and resources to exploit the applied research results.
- Colleges are limited to one IRCC Grant not requiring company cash contributions per distinct applied research area.
- Ownership of Project Intellectual Property (IP) is negotiable between the college and the Partners, but must consider the objective of creating partnerships and sharing of eventual benefits. Note that Sheridan's standard agreement is for IP to be industry-owned.

Value: \$100,000 to \$200,000 per year for five (5) years - renewable.

Partner Contribution: Cash and/or in-kind contributions from private-sector organizations equal to the amount of the grant are required (cash is mandatory for subsequent terms).

Sheridan's Contribution: Not required

Application Deadline: Call for proposals is currently closed.

Notification of Award Decision: 20 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 visit this [link](#), or email research@sheridancollege.ca to discuss your research idea.

More Information:

[NSERC website](#)
