SSHRC Insight Grants (IG) – Overview

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Upcoming SSHRC IG Webinar

ENGLISH: Thursday, August 21, 2025, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

FRENCH: Thursday, August 21, 2025, 10:00 to 12:00 p.m.

Go to: [SSHRC Insight Grants: October 2025 Competition/Webinars](#) for the 'Registration and Webinar links'.

- Registration is required.
- Slides will be available, but session not typically recorded.

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Overview & Deadlines

October 2024 Insight Grants	
Value (***NEW***)	Stream A: $10,000 to $125,000 Stream B: $125,001 to $500,000
Duration	2 to 5 years
Internal ORS Deadline*	Submit by 2PM Wed., Sept. 17, 2025
Sponsor Deadline**	Final resubmit by Monday Sept. 29th for the Oct 1st sponsor deadline.
Results	Late March for April 1, 2026 start
Submission Portal	SSHRC Online (Web-based Forms)

* Faculty Research Offices have set additional/earlier internal review deadlines.

** 10AM on deadline day is the latest final resubmission time.

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Starting an application: SSHRC Web-based Forms

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Web-based forms: registration and login

Create, edit and save SSHRC online CVs, applications and Final Research Reports using your internet browser.

Browser Tabs/simultaneous use of multiple browsers: SSHRC's system does not support browsing simultaneously with multiple browsers or multiple tabs. Doing so will result in loss of data.

Browser back button: Avoid using your browser's back button. Use the website navigation instead.

As of January 29, the SSHRC application platform will **no longer process applications to Research Data Centres** (RDCs). Applications for RDCs, Federal RDCs and to the Biobank must be submitted using the new Microdata Access Portal (MAP), an online tool for researchers to apply for access to Statistics Canada microdata. If you have any questions, please contact statcan.mad-damdam-mad.statcan@canada.ca

New users
Complete the registration information to register with SSHRC's on-line system.

Click here to receive a missing account activation email.

Registered users
Enter your primary email address and password to access your portfolio. If you forget your password, do not re-register; instead, go to the Forgot your password? page.
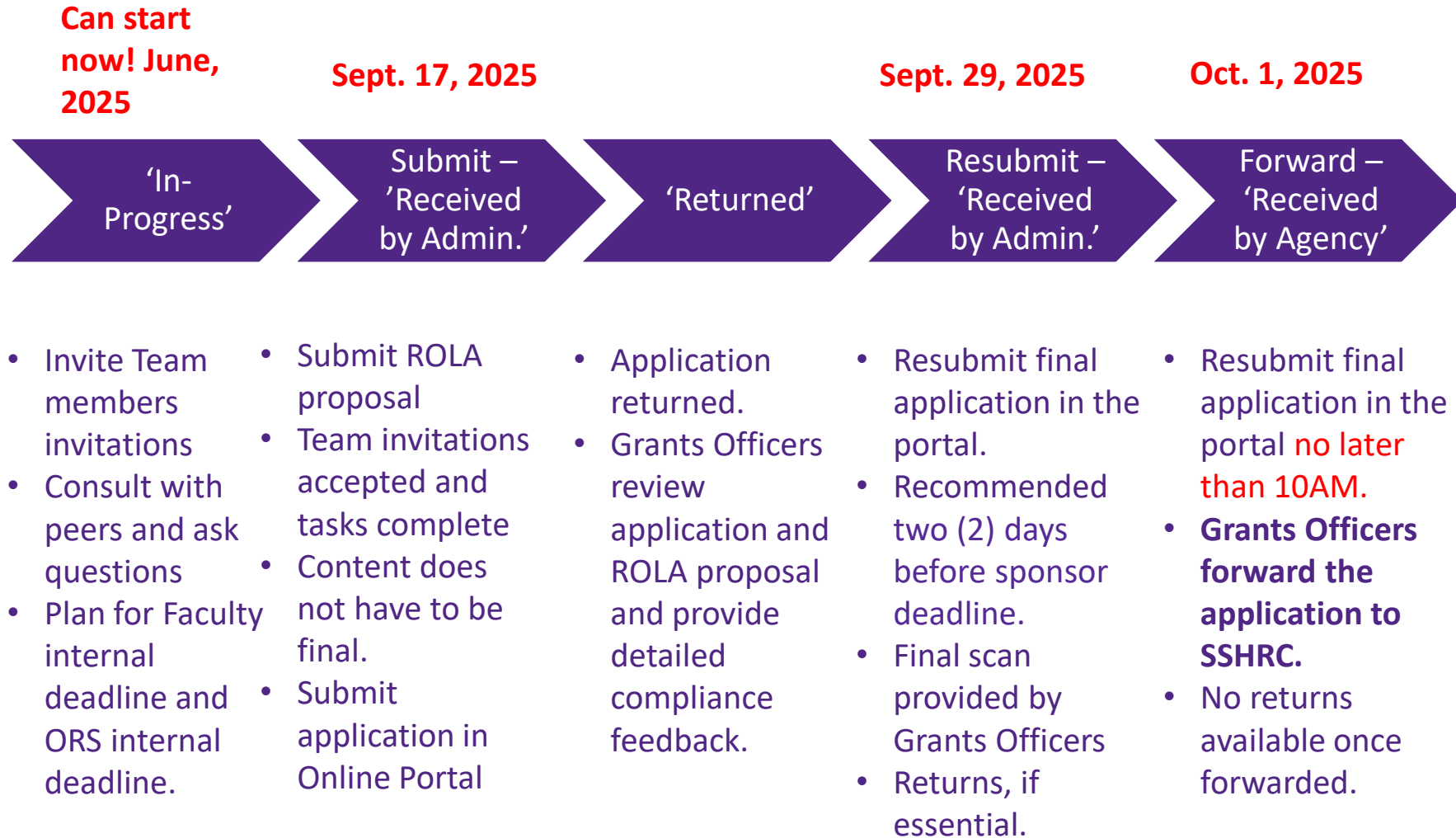
Sixty minutes after your last interaction with our system (e.g., Save, Preview, etc.), your session will be terminated and you will have to log in again. We recommend you save your work every 10 to 15 minutes.

For your own protection, change your passwords regularly, and keep them safe and confidential; do not divulge them to anyone. SSHRC will not be held liable for any loss of your data should you neglect to protect your password.

SSHRC Web CV
If a **co-applicant** has updated their SSHRC web CV after having accepted an invitation, they **must click "Refresh CV" in the Accepted Invitations section** of their Portfolio. Once an application is submitted, any updates made to CVs **will not be reflected** in the CVs presented for adjudication.

ORS review and submission process

Can start now! June, 2025

Sept. 17, 2025

Sept. 29, 2025

Oct. 1, 2025

'In-Progress'	Submit – 'Received by Admin.'	'Returned'	Resubmit – 'Received by Admin.'	Forward – 'Received by Agency'

- Invite Team members invitations
- Consult with peers and ask questions
- Plan for Faculty internal deadline and ORS internal deadline.

- Submit ROLA proposal
- Team invitations accepted and tasks complete
- Content does not have to be final.
- Submit application in Online Portal

- Application returned.
- Grants Officers review application and ROLA proposal and provide detailed compliance feedback.

- Resubmit final application in the portal.
- Recommended two (2) days before sponsor deadline.
- Final scan provided by Grants Officers
- Returns, if essential.

- Resubmit final application in the portal no later than 10AM.
- **Grants Officers forward the application to SSHRC.**
- No returns available once forwarded.

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New for October 2025 Competition

- **New funding limits for Stream A and Stream B**
    - Stream A: $10,000 - $125,000
    - Stream B: $125,001 - $500,000
- **SSHRC IG webpage moved/restructured**
    - Updated location of the Insight Grants competition on the Government of Canada website: Insight Grants: October 2025 Competition
- **Updated Specific Rules for use of grant funds – renumeration Indigenous team members**
    - Guidance page: Tri-agency guideline on remuneration for Indigenous people participating in funded projects

Continuing in Oct. 2025 Competition

- **Researchers who applied *unsuccessfully* to IDG in 2025 can apply to 2025 IG.**
- **Tri-Agency Interdisciplinary Peer Review Committee (#24)**
  - Option to choose the TAIPR review committee with one page justification
- **Sensitive Technology Research & Affiliations of Concern (STRAC) Requirements**
  - Activity Details: Question (YES/NO) as to whether activities funded by the grant will aim to advance a <u>Sensitive Technology Research Area</u> (STRA).
  - STRAC Attestation Module/Form(s): If 'YES', the Applicant must upload for each named member of the research team (<u>Applicant, Co-Applicants, Collaborators</u>) a signed **Attestation Form** certifying that they have read, understand, and are compliant with the STRAC policy.
  - Post-Award: If funded, you and your research team(s) required to comply with the policy for the duration of the grant that aims to advance one or more STRAs.
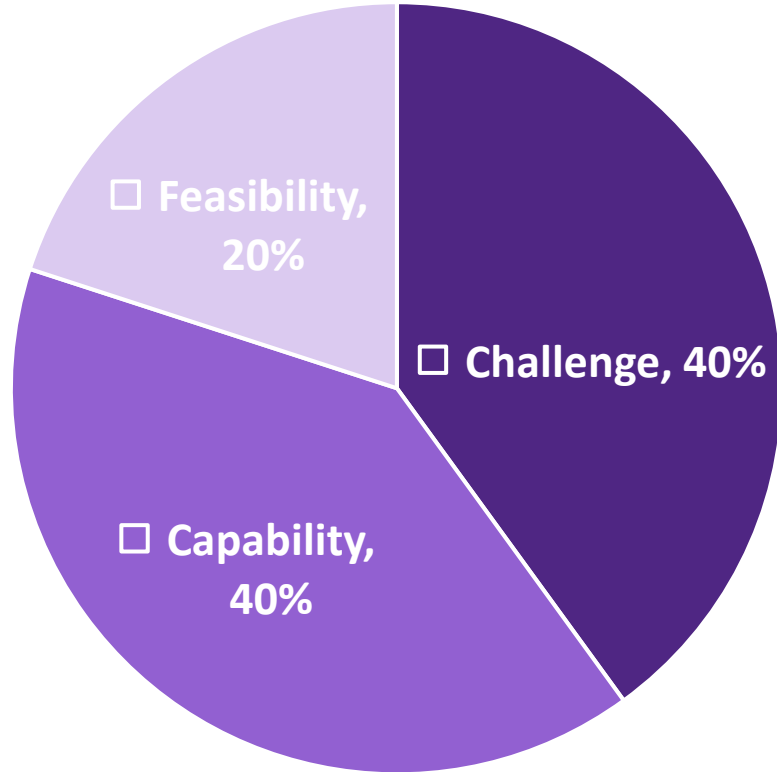 - Contact: <u>researchsecurity@uwo.ca</u>

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Eligibility Review

- As Applicant, can submit and hold only one active Insight Grant at a time.
  - No limit to the number of applications on which a researcher can be listed as a co-applicant or collaborator.
- Cannot have outstanding SSHRC Achievement Report from previous grant.
- Cannot apply for a Fall 2025 IG if awarded a 2025 SSHRC Insight Development Grant.
- SSHRC will not fund the same research project or research-related activity with more than one grant at the same time.
- **ROLES**
  - **Applicant**: Affiliated with an eligible Canadian postsecondary institution.
  - **Co-Applicant**: Affiliated with an eligible Canadian postsecondary institution.
  - **Collaborator**: Do not need to be affiliated with an eligible Canadian postsecondary institution.

IG Evaluation Criteria

https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/insight_grants-subventions_savoir-eng.aspx

Challenge (40%)

- Aim and importance of the endeavour. The 'What".
- E.g. Originality and significance.

Capability (40%)

- The expertise to succeed. The 'Who'.
- E.g. Past experience in training students, contributions, knowledge mobilization activities, etc.

Feasibility (20%)

- The plan to achieve excellence. The 'How'.
- E.g. Budget justification and timelines.

Future CHALLENGES AREAS

Environment
- Living within Earth's Carrying Capacity (2019)
- The Pervasive Contamination of the "Natural"

Economy
- Working in the Digital Economy (2020)
- Global Health & Wellness for the 2: Century (2023-24)

Technology
- Humanity+
- The Evolving Bio-Age
- Balancing Risks & Benefits in the Emerging Surveillance Society

Society
- The Emerging Asocial Society (2021)
- Shifting Dynamics of Privilege and Marginalization (2023)
- Building Better Lives Across the Gender Spectrum
- Inhabiting Challenging Environments

Governance
- Envisioning Governance Systems that Work (2024)
- **The Changing Nature of Security and Conflict (2026)**

Art and Culture
- Evolving Narratives of Cultures and Histories (2024)
- **The Arts Transformed (2025)**
- **Truth Under Fire in a Post-Fact World (2027)**

Resources

- UWO [Insight Grants webpage](#)
- UWO Grants Management & Services Team (contact: researchoffice@uwo.ca)
- UWO [Indigenous Research](#)
- [SSHRC Insight Grants](#) program page
- [SSHRC Insight Grants Application Instructions](#)
- [SSHRC Web-based Forms](#)
- SSHRC [Upcoming Webinars](#)

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