

The Owerko Centre Trainee and Community Partnership Award

Description:

The Owerko Centre Trainee and Community Partnership Award provides support for graduate student trainees and post-doctoral fellows to access opportunities in the community to enhance their research training by partnering with community partners. Examples include shadowing a community service provider to understand the treatment of children with neurodevelopmental disorders, partnering with community association on education events or materials, working with an advocacy group on policy improvement, developing systematic reviews and evaluations, bringing scientific evidence to the organization, or accessing community groups for networking or recruiting opportunities.

Number of available awards: 1

Award value: Up to \$5,000 each (a portion of the budget should include a contribution to the community partner)

Duration of award: Must be used within 12 months of award acceptance

Application deadline:

11:59 PM on March 15, 2022

Eligibility:

- Registered graduate student (Masters, PhD) at the University of Calgary
- Post-Doctoral Fellows
- All applicants must have an Owerko Centre investigator as one of their supervisors

Application requirements and instructions:

- Completed application form
- A single page describing the community experience, its relationship to the trainee's research project and career goals, and the potential benefit for the community partner, including proposed time commitments and timelines.
- Applications must include a letter of interest/approval from the community partner.
- Applications must be approved by the applicant's research supervisor.
- Applications must include a detailed budget of planned expenditures and costs.
- A portion of the budget should include a contribution to the community partner. This could take the form of an honorarium for an employee within partner agency in recognition of their time, purchase of supplies and or materials for the partner agency .
- Budgets can include out of pocket expenses such as police checks and site parking.
- A 2-page version of the applicant's CV
- Combine all into a single PDF document and send to owerko.centre@ucalgary.ca

Evaluation criteria:

Eligible applications will be reviewed by members of the Owerko Center Executive Committee, in conjunction with the Owerko Centre Education Committee. Applications will be adjudicated based on the following criteria:

- Significance, quality, and feasibility of the proposed partnership;
- Demonstration that the proposed community partner experience will be research focused and provide benefit to the trainee's research program and career development;
- Demonstration that the proposed community engagement will be of mutual benefit to community partner and has potential to build relationships with the Owerko Centre;
- Demonstrates the potential for improving the relationship of the community partner with the research community;
- Alignment of the proposed program of study with the mission, vision, values, and goals of the Owerko Centre.

Please submit any questions to mark.agius1@ucalgary.ca.