Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)

Technology Access Centres (TAC) Grants

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

Intended to:
- Provide funding for <u>core operations of centres</u> established by colleges to address the applied research and innovation needs of local companies. Capabilities may include advice on specific company challenges, specialized technical assistance, applied research and/or development projects for companies, and/or specialized training.
- Support centers that focus on <u>regional needs,</u> such as developing a strategic technology for key business sectors, addressing the applied research and innovation needs of key companies or providing basic capabilities to strengthen a region's innovation infrastructure.

Conditions:
- Proposals must demonstrate support from key regional organizations through providing letters of support that indicate contributions in cash and/or in-kind.
- Proposals must include a plan for working with companies, including the anticipated approach to business development, and projections for the number of clients and annual revenues from those interactions.
- Applicant must specify performance metrics and target levels for these metrics indicating the anticipated impact of the proposed centre.

Value: $350,000 per year for five years - renewable.

Partner Contribution: Cash and/or in-kind contributions from supporting organizations is required.

Sheridan's Contribution: Not required

Application Deadline: Call for proposals is currently closed.

Notification of Award Decision: Letter of Intent: 6 weeks; decision on full proposal: 16 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:
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