ARTS MATTERS

E-NEWS

In this issue

The August issue of Arts Matters includes important updates about the grant application process for the TriCouncils and Memorial. It also includes information about the Canadian Common CV, and about ERA-Can funding opportunities. Finally, there is an update about the Arts Grants Crafter position.

Arts Grants Crafter Update

Theresa Heath is no longer the Grants Crafter for Arts; she has moved on to a position at ICEHR. We are in the process of recruiting a new Grants Crafter, and we hope to have someone in place by September 2012.

Dr. Rosemary Ommer will once more be available at Memorial for advice on grants crafting this fall. She will be here from Sept. 25 - Oct. 26.

Further updates will be provided in the September 2012 newsletter.

Grant application and nomination deadlines (faculty and postdocs)

•August 15, 2012: NEW mandatory Notice of Intent stage for SSHRC Insight Grants (see SSHRC's deadlines page, http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/deadlines-limites-eng.aspx).

•October 15, 2012 SSHRC Insight Grant competition; deadline to Office of Research Services is noon, Oct. 10, 2012.

• Apply any time; SSHRC Connection Program; http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx

Grant application and nomination deadlines (graduate students)

•The Canada Graduate Scholarships (CGS)-Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement Program – Deadline date to the School of Graduate Studies: September 10, 2012. Talk to your departmental Grad Coordinator for details.

• October 4, 2012 (external deadline); SSHRC Postdoctoral fellowships http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/fellowships/postdoctoral-doctorat-eng.aspx

•Also see: Memorial University's external scholarships listings: http://www.mun.ca/scholarships/External_Scholarships.php or contact Gail Lamkin at glamkin@mun.ca, phone 864-2640.

•Grad career development workshops: for more information, go to http://www.mun.ca/sgs/current/edge/professionalism.php.

SSHRC Updates

Mandatory Notice of Intent for Insight Grants (Aug 15, 2012)

The Notification of Intent (NOI) to apply for an Insight Grant is now mandatory. Please note the following:

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NOIs must be submitted directly by the applicants to SSHRC via the online system by August 15th, 2012.

This is a non-competitive Notice of Intent, and does not need to be pre-approved for submission to SSHRC by the Office of Research Services.

NOIs will not be accepted after the deadline. An applicant who has not submitted an NOI by this date will be ineligible to submit the full application in the October 2012 competition.

The Insight Grant application will be available from July 19th via the online system to all applicants who have submitted an NOI.

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

SSHRC's priority areas (a message from SSHRC)

The Insight Grants funding opportunity description (currently posted on the website) contains updated information concerning SSHRC's priority areas in relation to the adjudication process. As per the 2011 Insight Grants description, applicants were asked to indicate in their application form whether their research fell within one of the priority areas. The description stated that "This information is gathered for reporting purposes and may also assist SSHRC in identifying applications for either additional support, a more tailored adjudication, or both". In order to further clarify SSHRC's process with respect to priority areas and adjudication, we have revised the 2012 Insight Grants description to explicitly clarify that adjudication committees may be created in priority areas, in accordance with the number of applications received.   Please consult the Request for Proposals for further details: http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/insight_grants-subventions_savoir-eng.aspx

The process followed in 2011 for both Insight Grants and Insight Developments will be followed again in the upcoming round of competitions. That is, if an adjudication committee is created in a priority area selected by an applicant, the application will be directed to that committee if it is deemed to be sufficiently aligned. This message is also communicated in the revised application instructions. If it is determined that a proposal is not aligned with the parameters of the priority area, the proposal will nevertheless remain eligible within the funding opportunity.

FAQ for grant applications, F2012

Grant application approval procedure

All applicants and co-applicants at MUN must complete a grant application approval form. Co-applicants from other institutions must also provide documentation of approval from their institution. All approval forms must accompany the completed grant application.

Arts' applicants and co-applicants should use the Faculty of Arts approval form; the latest version is available at http://www.mun.ca/arts/research/forms/GrantApplicationsApprovalForm.pdf. Co/applicants from other units should use the form required by their school or faculty.

Grant applications and approval forms are submitted to the relevant Department Head, and then to the Associate Dean Arts (Research); afterwards, they go to the Office of Research Services.

Grant applications must be complete by the time that they are submitted to the Associate Dean Arts (Research). For SSHRC applications, an application is only complete when the applicant hits the on-line 'submit' button, and can no longer make changes to the application.

The approval form and the completed application should be submitted to the Associate Dean Arts (Research) at least one day (and preferably, two) before the Office of Research Services' 3-day deadline, described next. Please send an electronic or paper copy to cdyck@mun.ca, and cc efoley@mun.ca.

The Office of Research Services (ORS) requires that applications and approval forms be received by 12:00 noon, at least 3 working days before the funding agency deadline.

Missing the 3-day, MUN-internal deadline

If you submit your application after the Office of Research Services' 3-day deadline, there are some potential consequences. First, the Associate Dean (Research) can only sign your approval form after you confirm that your application is complete and final, and submitted to SSHRC. If you submit your application and approval form late, no one will be able to review your application. Your application will also be processed by the ORS in the order that it is received. Since the ORS are dealing with many grant applications from across the university, they may find it difficult to submit your application in time for the external agency deadline, particularly since the SSHRC website is not robust enough to handle the last-minute traffic well.

Finally, although the ORS will still provide institutional approval for late applications, in this case, it does not constitute agreement of Memorial that the research as proposed can be carried out in a manner that complies with Memorial's policies and procedures. If the proposal is successful, you will be asked to confirm that the research will be carried out and administered in a manner that is consistent with Memorial's policies and procedures.

SSHRC Insight Grants

Insight Grant competition

SSHRC welcomes applications involving research-creation across its funding opportunities within the Insight<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/insight-savoir-eng.aspx?>, Connection<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/connection-connexion-eng.aspx?> and Talent<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/talent-eng.aspx?> programs. For a description of research-creation, please refer to the Definitions of Terms<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/definitions-eng.aspx>.

Applicants may submit an application to the Insight Grant funding opportunity in the fall. The competition deadline will be October 15, 2012 and the application form will be available through the SSHRC website in July 2012. [The Office of Research Services 3-day deadline is noon, October 10, 2012.]

Prior to submitting an application to the Insight grant<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/insight_grants-subventions_savoir-eng.aspx?> competition in October, applicants are now required to submit the Notice of Intent (NOI) via SSHRC's online system<https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/faces/logon.jsp> by August 15th, 2012. Approval from the Office of Research Services and the Faculty of Arts is not required for this NOI.

The adjudication of applications identified by the applicant as research-creation projects will involve a collaboration between SSHRC and the Canada Council for the Arts. The application and peer-review process, as well as post-award management will be administered according to SSHRC's policies and financial regulations.

Please consult the Latest News section on SSHRC's website for updates and more information: http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/news_room-salle_de_presse/latest_news-nouvelles_recentes/index-eng.aspx

SSHRC CV or Common CV?

The SSHRC CV will be required for the Insight Grants October 2012 competition. However, the Common CV will be required for the Insight Development Grants February 2013 competition.

SSHRC Connection Grants

Connection Grants funding opportunity

SSHRC continues implementation of its renewed program architecture <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/news_room-salle_de_presse/program_renewal-renouvellement_programme-eng.aspx> with the launch of the Connection Grants funding opportunity. The description is now available on the SSHRC website at the following link: http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx? <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx?> The application form and instructions are now available. See http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/connection_grants-subventions_connexion-eng.aspx.

The Connection Grants support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives. These events and outreach activities represent opportunities to exchange knowledge and to engage on research issues of value to those participating.

SSHRC invites applicants who wish to conduct workshops, colloquiums, conferences, forums, summer institutes or other events or outreach activities that facilitate:

•   disciplinary and/or interdisciplinary exchanges in the humanities and social sciences;

•   scholarly exchanges between those working in the social sciences and humanities and those working in other research fields;

•   intersectoral exchanges between academic researchers in the humanities and social sciences and researchers and practitioners from the public, private and/or not-for-profit sectors; and/or

•   international research collaboration and scholarly exchanges between researchers, students and non-academic partners from other countries.

These grants are valued at $7,000 to $50,000, with higher amounts considered on an exceptional basis, over one year. Starting in April 2012, SSHRC will accept applications on a continuous basis and will announce results normally within eight weeks from the date that SSHRC confirms receipt of the application.

Over the past three years, SSHRC has awarded an average of $6 million per year to support the types of events and outreach activities expected to be proposed and funded through the Connection funding opportunity. The approximate budget available for new awards in 2012-13 will be announced in spring 2012 under the Connection Program on SSHRC's website <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/connection-connexion-eng.aspx?> .

Canadian Common CV

A new version of the Canadian Common CV was implemented on June 19th, 2012. The new application is available at www.ccv-cvc.ca

Purpose

The purpose of the Canadian Common CV (CCV) is to reduce the workload for Canada's research community by allowing researchers to maintain their CV data in a single repository and use it to apply to 22 different funding organizations across Canada.

In order to provide the research community with the best possible CV management tool, the CCV application was redeveloped to: put in place a dataset that is common to all funding organizations; provide a simpler and more portable application; allow researchers to maintain a generic CV and select the data they want for a particular grant application; use a new, reliable, and high-performance infrastructure.

Data Migration

The majority of data (approximately 90%) for existing CCV users will be migrated to the new CCV. However, applicants are advised that additional time will be required to make sure that the data was properly migrated by inspecting each section and field. Any missing or wrongly formatted data will have to be corrected. Contributions can no longer be attached as a file to the CCV and will have to be entered as structured data. Please allow some time to capture this information.

User Assistance

For additional information or assistance, please contact the help desk of the funding organization to which you are applying for funding. Contact information is available under 'Contact Us' in the CCV application. On-line training for the renewed Canadian Common CV (CCV) for CIHR applicants is now available at http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/45262.html <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/45262.html> . General information about the renewed CCV for all subscribers can be found on the CCV website at https://ccv-cvc.ca/indexresearcher-eng.frm <https://ccv-cvc.ca/indexresearcher-eng.frm> .

The SSHRC CV will be required for the Insight Grants October 2012 competition. However, the Common CV will be required for the Insight Development Grants February 2013 competition.

Problems with Data Migration

The CAURA listserv has reported many problems with the Common CV, caused by data migration. Avoid migrating to the Common CV until it is mandatory.

SSHRC applications - problems with Explorer 9

Please be advised that for those trying to access the SSHRC website to develop or submit their applications for upcoming competitions, there are compatibility issues with Internet Explorer 9. Those trying to access the website using Explorer 9 should review the notice on the main web-forms login site (e.g. https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/faces/logon.jsp?lang=en_CA) that states, "Websites that were designed for earlier versions of Windows Internet Explorer will not display or function correctly in Internet Explorer 9. Follow the compatibility View instructions to correct the display/function issues."

SSHRC has provided a link (Compatibility View instructions) which includes steps to help fix this issue for those trying to develop or submit their applications using Explorer 9. Please follow the link provided if you are experiencing problems.

https://webapps.nserc.ca/SSHRC/Instructions-Help/IE9_text_e.htm

We have been advised that it is not anticipated that this issue will be resolved prior to the next upcoming SSHRC deadlines in 2012.

If the recommended instructions for users of Internet Explorer 9 do not enable development or submission of your application, it is recommended that you contact the SSHRC on-line system helpdesk:

Phone: 613-995-4273; E-mail: webgrant@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca <mailto:webgrant@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca>

SSHRC Talent Program

Update on the Renewal of SSHRC's Talent Program

We would like to inform you that following recent consultations, SSHRC will begin implementing changes to its Talent program <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/umbrella_programs-programme_cadre/talent-eng.aspx> as the third wave in the renewal of its overall program architecture. SSHRC's governing council <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/about-au_sujet/governance-gouvernance/committees-comites/council-conseil-eng.aspx> has endorsed the planned changes and their implementation over a three-year period beginning in 2012.

On the SSHRC website <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/news_room-salle_de_presse/latest_news-nouvelles_recentes/talent_program_renewal-compte_rendu_du_programme_talent-eng.aspx> , you can learn more about:

·	the consultation process;

·	key changes;

·	SSHRC support for research training; and

·	the proposed timeline for implementation.

For more information, contact: fellowships@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca.

NSERC news

Change in Eligibility Criteria for Faculty

The September 15, 2012 release of the Program Guide for Professors will include a change in the eligibility criteria for your faculty members who hold their primary position outside Canada. The new rule will read:

If your primary position is outside of Canada, you must work full-time in an eligible Canadian institution (applies to grant applications submitted after September 15, 2012).

The previous rule which stipulated that researchers who lived abroad or held a position of any kind outside of Canada had to spend a minimum of six months per year at an eligible Canadian institution, was difficult to apply both for the institution having to monitor the time spent by these researchers at the Canadian institution, and also for NSERC staff requiring this information.

As of September 15, 2012, this new rule will apply and a) researchers who do not meet this requirement will be ineligible, and b) grantees who do not meet this requirement will be given one additional instalment from their current grant before it is terminated. Your institution is asked to inform NSERC of current grantees who are affected by this new rule as soon as possible, as indicated in Schedule 10 – Confirmation of Eligibility of the Memorandum of Understanding on the Roles and Responsibilities in the Management of Federal Grants and Awards.

For more information, you may contact NSERC Secretariat at sectr@nserc-crsng.gc.ca.

ERA-Can funding opportunities

What is ERA-Can?

ERA-Can is a joint initiative of the European Commission and the Government of Canada. The European Commission contributes to ERA-Can II through the 7th Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (FP7), capacities, International Cooperation (GA No. 244426).

ERA-Can information Sessions

ERA-Can will hold an information session at Memorial in September on the opportunities for Canadians in FP7: Wednesday, Sept 19, 2012: Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, NL <http://www.era-can.ca/en/Information_Session_Memorial_University_Of_Newfoundland_55>. Time and Location TBD – Please click on the above link for updates.

ERA-Can is pleased to offer FP7 information sessions for Canadians by webinar or videoconference. Sessions can be customized to meet the particular needs of your research organization – whether an overview of FP7 opportunities for Canadians or a more in-depth look at a particular part of the Framework Programme such as Marie Curie Actions (including international fellowships) or the COOPERATION specific programme (focused on thematic research areas).

 If you are interested in hosting a webinar, please contact Mélodie Cardin, ERA-Can's Manager of Communications at melodie.cardin@era-can.ca

FP7 Guide for Canadians

ERA-Can's FP7 Guide for Canadians is available at this website. <http://www.era-can.ca/user_files/users/46/Media/Documento%20Canada_v3_8.pdf>

ERA-Can can now be found on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. These pages will be kept up-to-date with information on Events, Calls for Proposals and FP7 projects with Canadian partners. We hope that through these forums you will be able to connect better not only with ERA-Can but with other researchers in your field.

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