

**NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA) Program Competition
(Administered by Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science)
FEAS Approval Form for Release of Student Information
CONFIDENTIAL**

I _____ (*print student name*), hereby apply to the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA) Program in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at Memorial University of Newfoundland.

I am presently in Year # _____ of my academic program with the following Department: {*Check one*}

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical and Computer Engineering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean and Naval Architectural Engineering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Process Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

_____ at Memorial University of Newfoundland's St. John's _____ OR Corner Brook _____ campus;

OR

_____ at another Canadian University (_____).

**Note: Ensure that the official department name is provided on NSERC Form 202 – Part 1*

Efforts will be made to match students with supervisors in their area of interest. Briefly describe your preferred area(s) of interest:

(NOTE: Due to a restriction in the number of eligible supervisors, a student's placement in a preferred research area cannot be guaranteed)

If you have confirmed a USRA placement with a designated supervisor, indicate their name/Faculty below:

****Note: Students are not required to identify a supervisor at this point in the application process, although discussions with potential supervisors are encouraged. Once awardees have been selected, FEAS will assist in selecting supervisors based on research interests identified on this form.*

Number of previous USRA awards held to date: # at Memorial _____ # at another university _____

(NOTE: A Student may hold a maximum of three USRA awards throughout his/her university career)

Briefly describe previous research experience:

Number of courses completed in my major subject area: _____ Average grade for these courses: _____

MUN Student #: _____ (used to verify student registration and to confirm academic unit program acceptance and continuing eligibility.)

Currently hold Indigenous Status (Yes/No): _____

Note: Any Indigenous student that meets all of the program's eligibility criteria and is recommended by an eligible Canadian university for a USRA will not be counted in that university's USRA Program quota.

Self-Identify as Black (Yes/No): _____

Note: Any Black student that meets all of the program's eligibility criteria and is recommended by an eligible Canadian university for a USRA will not be counted in that university's USRA Program quota.

Have you:

- Completed NSERC Form 202 Part I
- Uploaded a copy of your **official** transcript(s) to the NSERC online system including copy of legend on back of transcript

Application package emailed to the ERO must contain:

- Completed and signed "FEAS Approval Form for Release of Student Information" (this form)
- Completed NSERC Form 202 Part I
- Official** Transcript(s), including most recent semester's grades

In applying to the NSERC USRA Program at Memorial University of Newfoundland, if offered a USRA award, my signature confirms that I agree to complete the full mandatory 16 week (35 hours per week)* research work term.

To ensure eligibility as an applicant, NSERC may follow up with successful applicants to confirm acceptance of the Terms and Conditions of Applying to the USRA program. A response is required in order for NSERC to approve the final award. My signature confirms that I agree to provide a response to NSERC if contacted.

Student Applicant Name (please print)

Signature

Date

In signing this form the applicant agrees to release the above information to the Engineering Research Office and Associate Dean Research, FEAS; and applicable Department for program enrollment verification.

At the time of electronic submission of applications, the electronic "signature" through NSERC's On-line System represents approval of the student and replaces the traditional "physical or wet" signatures. Electronic submission of the NSERC Form 202 – Part 1 indicates the student acknowledges and accepts that NSERC reserves the right to follow-up with the applicant to validate information that is provided in the application.

*In the event that the student is unable to complete the full 16 week term, prior approval must be obtained from NSERC, via the ERO, for early termination of the grant. The onus is on the student and supervisor to notify the ERO well in advance of the termination.

Access to Information and Protection of Privacy - The information on this form is collected under the authority of the Memorial University Act (RSNL 1990 Chapter M-7) and is used for the purposes of administering Memorial's NSERC USRA program. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information contact the Internal Grants Coordinator, Research Initiatives and Services, at 709-864-8368.

It is anticipated that applicants will be notified of competition results three weeks after the competition deadline.

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