



NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA) Program
2017-2018 Competition (Administered by Research Grant and Contract Services, RGCS)
RGCS Approval Form for Release of Student Information
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Original to be included in the complete NSERC USRA application package and delivered to:
Research Grant and Contract Services, Bruneau Centre for Research and Innovation, Room IIC-2015,
St. John's, NL, A1C 5S7
By 12:00p.m. (Noon), Thursday, January 26, 2017

I _____ (print student name), hereby apply to the 2017-18 Natural Sciences and Engineering
Research Council (NSERC) Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA) Program at Memorial University of
Newfoundland.

I am presently in Year # _____ of my academic program with the following academic unit (Department or Faculty as
appropriate): {Check one}

- Checkboxes for various academic units: Biochemistry, Biology, Business Administration, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth Science, Engineering, Geography, Other, Human Kinetics & Recreation, Math & Stats, Medicine, Pharmacy, Physics & Physical Oceanography, Psychology, Ocean Sciences, Grenfell Campus.

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

OR
_____ at another Canadian University (_____).

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

If granted a USRA award, I will complete the mandatory 16 consecutive week (35 hours per week) research
project work term with the following academic unit (Department or Faculty as appropriate): {Check one}

- Checkboxes for various academic units: Biochemistry, Biology, Business Administration, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth Science, Engineering, Geography, Other, Human Kinetics & Recreation, Math & Stats, Medicine, Pharmacy, Physics & Physical Oceanography, Psychology, Ocean Sciences, Grenfell Campus.

**Note: Applicants may indicate a different academic unit from their major, as long as they have sufficient core
course requirements. If an award is offered, students will be placed in the academic unit indicated above.

If there are no supervisors*** available in the academic unit I have indicated above, my second choice is

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

Preferred Research Area: _____

No Preference

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

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 Aboriginal Status (Yes/No): _____

Note: Any Aboriginal 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.

Eligible students opting to apply under the Aboriginal status criteria must provide reasonable proof of Aboriginal status and are strongly encouraged to apply.

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 NSERC USRA Liaison Officer, Research Grant and Contract Services; applicable Departmental/Unit for program enrollment verification and ranking; and the Adjudication/Selection Committee for the 2017-18 USRA Competition at Memorial.

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 I 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 NSERC USRA Liaison Officer, Research Grant and Contract Services, for the early termination of the grant. The onus is on the student and the supervisor to notify the RGCS 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 2017-2018 NSERC USRA program. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information contact the Internal Grants Coordinator, Research Grant and Contract Services, at 709-864-8368.

It is anticipated that applicants will be notified of competition results by March 31, 2017.

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