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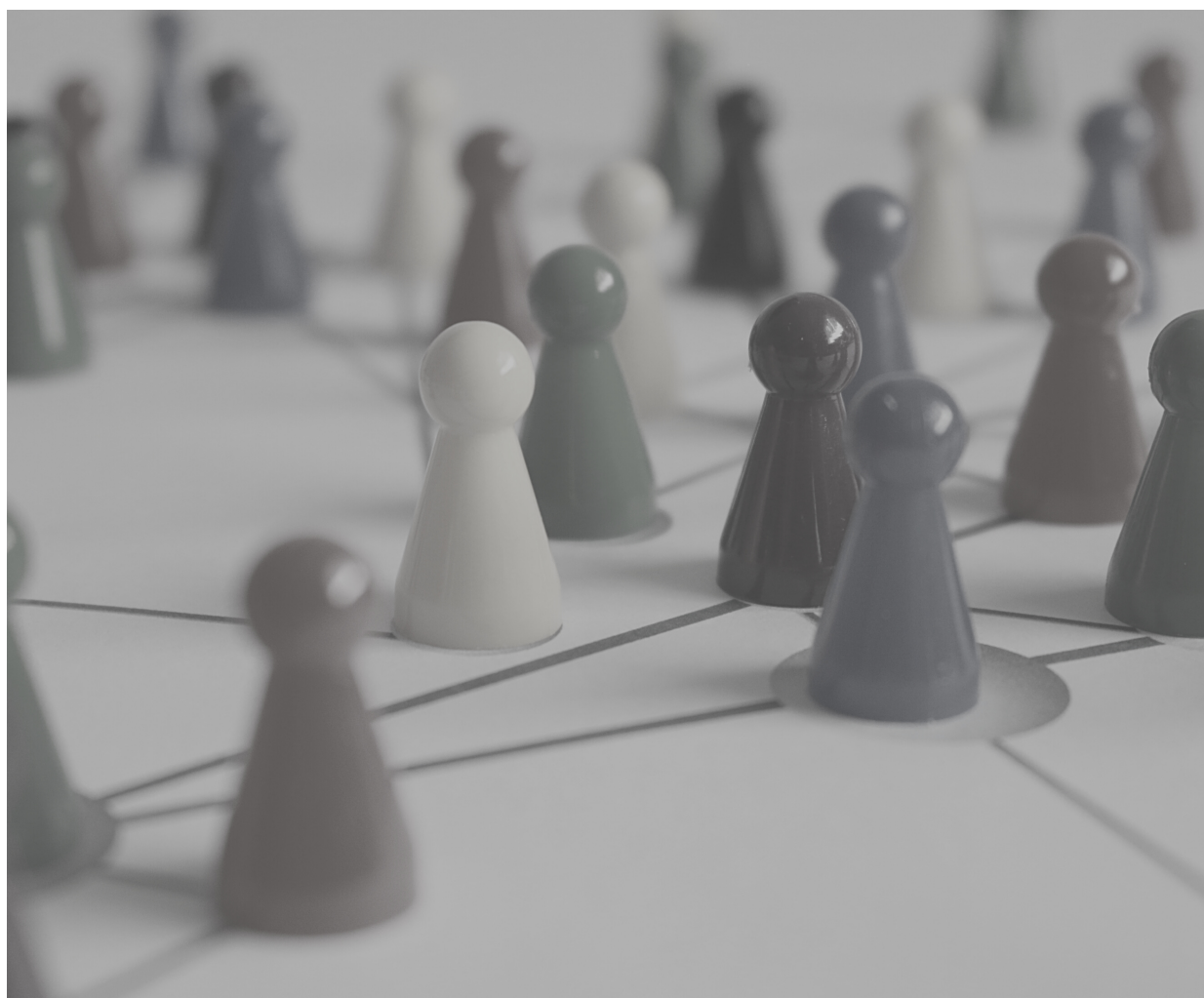
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## INTERDISCIPLINARY SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM

# 2021 GUIDELINES



APPLICATION DEADLINE: 4:00 PM MARCH 1, 2021

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO [INTERDISCIPLINARY.RESEARCH@USASK.CA](mailto:interdisciplinary.research@usask.ca)



## 2021 Interdisciplinary Summer Research Program Guidelines

Sponsored by the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition and College of Medicine

### Program Goals

The Interdisciplinary Summer Research program provides undergraduate salary awards to help in the research training of summer students enrolled in either the College of Medicine or the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition and co-supervised by a faculty member from both participating colleges. The purpose of these awards is to provide students with valuable research experience and inspire them to consider pursuing graduate studies. These salary awards are also intended to increase interdisciplinary research within the Health Sciences.

### Number of Applications

**Only one application per applicant will be accepted.** Thus, each student and each supervisor may only submit one application per year. Each project submitted is to be a stand-alone project with clearly defined objectives and outcomes. A student must be co-supervised by two supervisors from different participating colleges. For administrative purposes, a lead supervisor must be identified.

### Length and Number of Grants

Research projects are between 10 and 16 weeks and run over the summer months (May--August) exclusively. **For the summer of 2021, two salary awards will be funded.**

Students who receive project funding are paid as employees and are expected to work 37.5 hours per week. The amount of the salary award is dependent on the student's year of study, number of weeks of work, and covers some benefits (Workers Compensation, Canada Pension Plan, and Employment Insurance). Any additional expenses incurred during the project are the responsibility of the supervisor.

Student Year Completed	Hourly Wage
2	\$13.56
3	\$14.75
4	\$15.80
5+	\$16.96

### Eligibility

These awards are open to all undergraduate students enrolled in the College of Medicine or the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition at the University of Saskatchewan. To be competitive, we recommend students have a **minimum average of 80% in their last two terms.**

Co-supervisors must be **faculty eligible to hold research funds** in the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition and the College of Medicine for the duration of the award period.

**Any questions regarding eligibility should be directed to the program administrators listed below. Please be sure to approach your program administrator at least a week before the deadline so that they have the opportunity to assist you with assessing your eligibility.**



### Choosing and Submitting a Project

Students who have an idea for a project or an interest in a particular area are encouraged to approach faculty with their ideas. Once students find faculty members to work with, they can work on completing an application together.

### Application

To submit an application, fill out the application form, save as “*student last name, first name*”, and submit to [interdisciplinary.research@usask.ca](mailto:interdisciplinary.research@usask.ca) by **March 1, 2021**.

Applicants must ensure they write their application in a manner that can be understood by a non-expert in that field. Note that any figures and tables must be included in the text boxes provided on the application form.

**Research and mentorship activities should align with pandemic parameters around social distancing and human contact.**

### Assessment

Each research project application will be assessed and ranked using the Summer Student Program rubric by the Vice-Dean Research (CoM) and Associate Dean Research (CoPN).

### Research Ethics Approvals

Obtaining research ethics approval is the responsibility of the supervisors and must be in place prior to the project commencing.

### Notification of Success

Written notification of the outcome of applications will be sent to applicants in early March. After this, the successful applicants will have two weeks to submit their required paperwork to the lead supervisor’s administrator or notify its office of any delays in completing the paperwork.

### Supervisor and Student Responsibilities

Students	Supervisors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work allotted weeks at 37.5 hours/week. Report promptly to your supervisor if this is not possible.</li> <li>Submit your research report promptly.</li> <li>Present at a Health Sciences poster day (CoPN in August or CoM in October).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Obtain ethics approval.</li> <li>Mentor and supervise the student.</li> <li>Report promptly to the OVDR if the student’s attendance does not meet the funding requirements of the program.</li> <li>Ensure that the student submits their research report by the deadline.</li> </ul>

### Supervisor Expectations

It is expected that if a proposed project has any impact on a third party, that the supervisor is to inform the third party of any implications, and obtain written permission to continue with the research. Failure to comply with this could result in the cancellation of an awarded project.



## Reporting Requirements

### Written Report

All grant recipients are required to submit an electronic report to the [interdisciplinary.research@usask.ca](mailto:interdisciplinary.research@usask.ca). A report template will be sent out to individuals awarded projects.

### Poster Presentation

Successful applicants will be required to participate in either the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition's Poster Day in August or the College of Medicine's Undergraduate Research Showcase in October. Details regarding the location and time of the research days will be sent out in the summer.

### Publication Acknowledgement

All publications resulting from the salary award should acknowledge the Interdisciplinary Summer Research Program, University of Saskatchewan.

### Contact

General inquiries and application submissions should be directed to the program administrators at [interdisciplinary.research@usask.ca](mailto:interdisciplinary.research@usask.ca).

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