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IPHRC and SCPOR Research Awards Application

The Indigenous Peoples' Health Research Centre (IPHRC) along with the Saskatchewan Centre for Patient Oriented Research (SCPOR) under the direction of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) would like to announce a research awards program for those pursuing graduate and post-graduate studies related to Indigenous health. Funding will begin in January 2018.

IPHRC is a partnership between the Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy and the First Nations University of Canada. IPHRC's vision is thriving, healthy, self-determining Indigenous people, families, and communities. IPHRC's mandate focuses on developing capacity for transformative, community-based Indigenous health research that applies Indigenous knowledge, ethics, and practices. SCPOR is a partnership of organizations in Saskatchewan whose focus is supporting and improving patient-oriented research (POR), by engaging patients and family members in health research. Their initiatives also include providing multidisciplinary methodological expertise in POR, facilitating access to Saskatchewan health data, advancing methods and training in comparative effectiveness research, as well as assisting decision makers and investigators to identify and design research studies. For more information on SCPOR or IPHRC please visit: www.scpor.ca. and www.iphrc.ca.

Up to 400,000 dollars will be awarded to successful applicants:

The stipends available are as follows:

- Master's Award - \$20,000 stipend/year (1 year)
- PhD Award - \$30,000 stipend/year (maximum of 3 years)
- Post Doctorate - \$70,000 stipend/year (1 year with a possibility of extension)

Eligibility:

- IPHRC gives preference to students attending Saskatchewan universities but will consider students attending university out-of-province if their research is specific to Indigenous communities in Saskatchewan.
- The graduate program may be in any health-related discipline; however, the emphasis will be on *health* research rather than *medical* research, and a community-based, patient-oriented approach will be fostered and emphasized.
- Preference will be given to Indigenous (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) students.
- Applications from non-Indigenous applicants will be considered if their research interests align with the mandate of IPHRC and SCPOR.
- Master's and PhD recipients must be enrolled in full-time studies while holding the award, which will commence in January 2018.
- Applicants cannot hold a Tri-Agency (NSERC, SSHRC, or CIHR) award and an IPHRC/SCPOR award at the same time.

Evaluation of applications will consider: a) proposed research project, b) research training, resources, and support, c) academic achievement (GPA, scholarships and awards, etc.), d) letters of reference, and e) relevant lived experience (personal experience, experience with family and friends, and within communities).

If you meet these requirements and are interested in applying, please contact Amanda.Crowe@uregina.ca for a copy of the application form.

Applications must be submitted as a comprehensive, single PDFs to Amanda.Crowe@uregina.ca by November 17th at midnight to be considered for funding. If you have questions related to the guidelines and application form, contact Amanda.Crowe@uregina.ca. Please ensure that you contact our office at least one week before the deadline so that we have the opportunity to assist you.