



## Faculty of Health Undergraduate Summer Research Awards (USRA)

APPLICATION FORM for **SUMMER 2023**

NSERC and FH USRA

**Completed application and transcripts submitted to [fohr@dal.ca](mailto:fohr@dal.ca) by Feb 3, 2023**

### Background

There are a minimum of 6 USRAs available in the Faculty of Health. One is focused on NSERC-related research<sup>1</sup> with the remainder open to any area of research. When such students apply, at least two will be awarded to applicants from under-represented groups<sup>2</sup>. Note that the Faculty of Health partners with the Imhotep Legacy Academy to offer an additional USRA for applicants identifying as African Canadian<sup>3</sup>.

Application materials are reviewed by a panel comprising faculty from the Faculty of Health who consider past academic performance, research experience and research potential in determining successful applicants.

### Eligibility (click here for detailed NSERC USRA eligibility)

- You are a student enrolled in a Faculty of Health undergraduate program working with a supervisor in the Faculty of Health
- You are a student enrolled in an undergraduate program in another Faculty at Dalhousie working with a supervisor in the Faculty of Health
- You are a student enrolled in a Faculty of Health undergraduate program working with a supervisor in another Faculty at Dalhousie
- Available to work fulltime for 16 weeks (May-August)<sup>4</sup>
- International students are encouraged to apply for a summer research award. While not eligible for NSERC USRAs, they are considered for all other awards
- For NSERC USRAs, you have not previously held the award 3 times in your undergraduate degree
- Have completed all the course requirements of at least the first year of study (or two academic terms) and have not earned any research-based graduate degrees (e.g., Masters or PhD)

NOTE: Applications where the research is based in the Faculty of Health will be prioritized. While awarded to a student, supervisors are capped at 2 FH USRAs per year.

<sup>1</sup> See [https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Index\\_eng.asp](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Index_eng.asp)

<sup>2</sup> As defined by Dalhousie's employment equity policy at [https://www.dal.ca/dept/hr/employment\\_equity.html](https://www.dal.ca/dept/hr/employment_equity.html)

<sup>3</sup> See [https://www.dal.ca/faculty/science/imhotep/programs/summer\\_research\\_studentship.html](https://www.dal.ca/faculty/science/imhotep/programs/summer_research_studentship.html) for details and the application form

<sup>4</sup> Exceptions or alternate timing of the work period may be accommodated by the supervisor; please discuss this with your proposed supervisor in advance and indicate on the appropriate space in the application below

**Application**

**Part 1 – to be completed by the student**

Name:

Banner Number:

Email:

Credit Hours (as of May 2023):

School/College/Program:

If other Faculty, indicate Faculty and Department:

Are you a Canadian citizen or permanent resident? Yes No

Do you intend to graduate in May 2023? If yes, complete Appendix A

**Check if you identify as:**

Indigenous African NS/Canadian

Woman Person with a disability

Person belonging to a sexual orientation and/or gender identity (SOGI) minority groups

**Part 2 – to be completed by the student**

- In addition to the information below, academic transcripts from all universities attended are required (downloads, screenshots, or other images from your Dalhousie student account and/or of transcripts from other university systems are acceptable).
- Full year courses for which no fall grade is available will not be included in the GPA calculation.

Scholarships and other awards offered/held

Name of Award	Value (if any)	Type (research, academic, leadership etc.)	Level (institutional, provincial, national)	Period Held (yyyy/mm-yyyy/mm)

In the space provided summarize relevant past academic and research experience, including any contributions to research products (e.g., knowledge translation activities, abstracts, publications, presentations; 600 characters).

In the space provided summarize your interest in research and future plans as they relate to research (e.g., directed/independent studies, honours, graduate school etc.; 600 characters).

If you are requesting alternate timing for the work period, please note that here and provide a brief explanation for the request (e.g., clinical placement, training course, etc.; 250 characters).

**Part 3 – to be completed by the supervisor**

Please complete the following if you are willing to have the above student work under your supervision this summer should they receive a USRA. Minimum required supervisor contribution for Summer 2023 is \$3000.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty of Health School/College/Program:

If other Faculty, Faculty/Department:

Project Funding (project funding [if required] and supervisor contribution)

NSERC

CIHR

SSHRC

Other research funding (agency/grant):

Proposed Summer Project (to be completed by Supervisor)<sup>5</sup>

Faculty of Health Research Focus Area (check all that apply)

Health equity and resilience

Health and health systems transformation

Body function and mobility across the health continuum

Title:

Project Description (600 characters)

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<sup>5</sup> Note – project description is not considered in the adjudication process; it is used to determine suitability for NSERC USRA program and FH research focus areas included for evaluation of the Faculty's Strategic Plan

## **Appendix A**

Complete this page ONLY if you plan to graduate this May

### **Part A1 - to be completed by the student**

Graduating students are eligible to compete for undergraduate summer research awards if they intend to begin a thesis-based graduate program the subsequent fall.

Name:

Describe your plans for graduate school next year. You do not have to be accepted into a graduate program at the time of this application, but you should have applied.

Institution/Department/Program:

Application Status:

Please add any additional information related to your plans for graduate school (250 characters):