

Dalhousie University
Vice-President Research and Innovation International Seed Fund

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Purpose:

The Vice-President Research and Innovation International Seed Fund (VPRIIS Fund) supports the development of international research initiatives between Dalhousie researchers and their global partners.

Applications will be accepted from faculty members who are eligible for tri-agency funding. Funding provided through the VPRIIS Fund is intended to support **emerging international collaborations** that require start-up support to develop research ties. Such collaborations will be funded up to a maximum of **\$5,000 for one year**. It is intended that the funds will be spent within the 2023 calendar year.

Successful initiatives will be those that:

- are aligned with Dalhousie's [Research and Innovation Strategic Direction \(2018-2023\)](#) – specifically, with our [Signature Research Clusters](#) and the [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#).
- propose to partner with highly-ranked foreign institutions, with a distinguished foreign PI, and/or with other institutions in which Dalhousie has a demonstrated strategic interest;
- have clear plans for co-publication activity;
- show clear evidence of an emerging research relationship, or strong potential for same;
- engage PhD trainees;
- ensure that principles of equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility (EDIA) have been incorporated into the project design;
- present budgets which are appropriate for the activities planned.

Funding Available:

For 2022-23, up to \$50,000 will be available for these awards. Each award will be a maximum of \$5000.

Deadline:

The deadline for VPRIIS Fund applications will be **Friday 25 November 2022**. Subject to available funding, it is expected that a call for VPRIIS Fund proposals will continue to be made annually.

Application Process:

Complete the VPRIIS Fund [Application Form](#) and submit via the [ROMEO Researcher Portal](#). Submission instructions are included in the application form.

Review:

Deans will be asked to rank VPRIIS Fund submissions received from within their faculty. A peer-review committee will review applications. It is expected that the committee will make recommendations for funding to the Vice President Research & Innovation by January 2023.

Reporting Requirements:

All VPRIIS Fund recipients will be required to provide a Final Narrative and Financial report (maximum 1 page), outlining progress and outcomes of the VPRIIS Fund support.