Atlantic Indigenous Mentorship Network - 2021 Kausattumi Grants Program

Call for Applications: Seed Grants Submission Deadline: April 16th, 2021

Background

The Atlantic Indigenous Mentorship Network (Atlantic-IMN) is a five-year mentorship program funded by the Institute of Indigenous Peoples' Health (IIPH) at the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). The CIHR-IIPH initiated the Indigenous Mentorship Network Program (IMNP) in 2017 to support research networks and capacity building for Indigenous health and wellness students and Indigenous early career researchers through culturally relevant learning opportunities and mentorship activities. The Atlantic-IMN is among seven regional networks and one national network operating across the territory of what is known as Canada. The Kausattumi (Inuttitut for 'the dawn') Grants Program is an initiative of the Atlantic-IMN that provides financial support to Indigenous students and early career researchers.

Funding Amount and Duration

Seed Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for Indigenous Postdoctoral Fellows (PDFs) or Indigenous early career researchers to conduct community-informed and supported Indigenous health research. By community-informed and supported health research, we are referring to research that responds to a community-identified need and is supported by an Indigenous community, Nation, or organization. Applicants must have completed a PhD or equivalent program from a recognized post-secondary institution (i.e., Universities Canada member) or will have completed a PhD or equivalent degree by September 2021. The funding is provided for a one-year period: September to August (2021-2022).

Eligibility Requirements

- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit PDFs and early career researchers who are undertaking community-informed and supported Indigenous health research that serves to benefit Indigenous communities in Atlantic Canada.
- PDFs must be undertaking research with the supervision of an Indigenous or allied health researcher at an academic, community institution, or organization in Atlantic Canada where funds can be transferred.
- Early career researchers must be within the first 60 months of a faculty appointment to a post-secondary institution in Atlantic Canada where funds can be transferred.
- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit PDFs and early career researchers are eligible if they are undertaking research anywhere in Canada, as long as they haven't received funding from another Indigenous Mentorship Network in the same funding period.
- If applying from outside of Atlantic Canada, they must demonstrate a connection to the region (e.g., they must be Indigenous to Atlantic Canada and/or they must demonstrate the impact that their research will have on the health of Indigenous communities in Atlantic Canada).

Successful applicants will participate in and contribute to Atlantic-IMN and broader IMNP activities.

Application Deadline

Please complete and submit the application via email to <u>info@atlantic-imn.ca</u> by April 16th, 2021 (5pm ATL). State your last name and the type of application you are submitting (e.g., LastName_Seed_Grant) in the email subject line and application file name. All applicants will be notified of their result by June 2021. Application forms may be downloaded from the Atlantic-IMN website: <u>www.atlantic-imn.ca</u>.

If you have questions about the application process or requirements, or want help completing the application, please contact the Atlantic-IMN Coordinator via email: info@atlantic-imn.ca