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**Internal awards
programs *reimagined***

The Queen's Research
Opportunities Funds

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An exciting initiative of the Office of the Vice-Principal (Research), the Queen's Research Opportunities Funds will see major investments being made in support of the research enterprise at Queen's. Developed in consultation with numerous stakeholders across campus, the QROF represents a strategic investment which will provide researchers and scholars the opportunity to accelerate their programs and achieve their research goals.

The QROF consists of four funds:

- Research Leaders' Fund
- International Fund
- Arts Fund
- Post-Doctoral Fund

All members of the Queen's University community are encouraged to consider applying for these funds, including members from equity-seeking groups such as women, racialized/visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples, persons with a disability, persons who identify in the LGBTQ+ community and others who reflect the diversity of Canadian society.

Visit queensu.ca/vpr for information on how to apply



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Research Leaders' *Fund*

The goal of the Research Leaders' Fund is to enhance areas of research strength that are of strategic importance to the University by giving researchers and scholars in these areas an opportunity to accelerate or reposition their research programs. Preference will be given to research projects that will leverage monies from granting or other funding agencies.

Applicants are expected to propose a series of related activities intended to accelerate or reposition their research program. There is no particular restriction on the nature of these activities except that they must conform to University policies on research eligible expenses. All applicants are expected to demonstrate convincingly how the proposed research/scholarly activities will enhance their research program in a manner that aligns with one (or more) objectives of the Strategic Research Plan (SRP). In addition, applicants must show how their research focus supports one of the four Strategic Research Themes articulated in the SRP:

- Exploring Human Dimensions
- Creating, Discovering and Innovating
- Understanding and Sustaining the Environment and Energy Systems
- Securing Safe and Successful Societies

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International Fund

An objective of the SRP is to augment the University's international reputation through increased global engagement, in particular, by developing and expanding international research collaborations, by building sustained multinational partnerships, and by increasing understanding of global challenges.

The purpose of the International Research Fund is to develop and grow exceptional international research partnerships and collaborations for Queen's researchers and scholars. The fund will provide seed research money and/or travel money to set up long-term collaborations with international research partners. The program is intended to foster a series of related activities that are identified with specific deliverables, such as joint grant applications, papers, conferences, exhibits and so on that have significant potential to contribute to lasting international collaborations. Faculty members with ongoing international collaborations, where matching funds have been obtained or are actively being sought, are also eligible to apply.

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Arts Fund

The purpose of the Arts Fund is to support artists, their contribution to the scholarly community and to advancing Queen's University. The Arts Fund is intended to attract outstanding artists to Queen's University each year. In addition, the fund will provide financial support for artists in the Queen's community for the production of exceptional artistic works.

Programs:

Support for Artistic Production

The objective of this program is to assist in the actual production of a work of art, such as the creation of a visual art; the writing of a novel, poem, play or screenplay; the composition of music; the production of a motion picture; the performance of a play,

a musical composition, a piece of performance art, or the production of a master recording.

Visiting Artist in Residence

The objective of this program is to enrich the cultural life of the University and to encourage exchange between artists at Queen's University and the broader community. It is intended to provide educational and scholarly opportunities for artists by facilitating the extended presence on campus of visiting artists. Residencies are normally two to eight weeks in duration.

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Post-Doctoral Fund

An objective of the SRP is to foster greater recognition of trainees as research leaders of the future. This includes supporting post-doctoral fellows (PDFs), their contribution to research and to advancing Queen's University. The Post-Doctoral Fund is intended to attract outstanding PDFs to Queen's University each year. The fund includes salary support for up to three PDFs. In addition, this fund makes travel money available on a competitive basis to all PDFs employed at Queen's.

Programs:

Post-Doctoral Fellowship

The objective of this program is to attract outstanding PDFs to Queen's. Funding is intended to provide one year of salary support for up to three PDFs who have indicated their intention to hold the post-doctoral fellowship at Queen's University.

Post-Doctoral Travel Award

This program provides support for PDFs to travel to conferences to present their scholarly work, to take part in workshops, or to travel to research sites to learn new skills and techniques. Such experiences should clearly enhance their training but cannot be funded through other sources (e.g. supervisor's grant, external fellowships).



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