Office of the Vice-Principal Academic & Dean



Indigenous Engagement Ethics Grant (IEE)

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In support of the TRC Calls to Action and the University's response to these Calls, the Vice-Principal Academic & Dean has created an **Indigenous Engagement Ethics Grant** (IEE) for faculty members, librarians, post-doctoral fellows, or graduate students who plan to engage in research or teaching that involves Indigenous communities or organizations in Canada. The Dean strongly encourages UTSC faculty, UTSC-affiliated post-docs and graduate students to undertake Indigenous Ethics training prior to developing any research or curriculum development plans that would involve Indigenous communities.

The grant will support attendance at workshops, institutes, or courses that provide education regarding recommended practices for engaging in ethical community-based interactions and developing positive, reciprocal relationships with Indigenous communities and/or organizations. It is designed to support attendance at the week-long Indigenous Research Ethics Institute¹ held at Carleton University each summer, however, applications for other Canadian Indigenous Ethics instruction opportunities proposed by the applicant will also be considered. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis.

The grant will include funds for transportation, registration, and accommodation at an approved Indigenous Ethics course, workshop or institute to a maximum of \$3,500 per awardee.

Eligibility:

Faculty members and librarians

- must be tenure stream, teaching stream or librarians with appointments at UTSC
- must have a letter or email of support from their Chair/Director or the Chief Librarian as appropriate *Post-doctoral researchers*
 - must have a contract that extends at least 1 year beyond the date of ethics education
 - must have the support of their post-doctoral advisor (indicated in an email), and the post-doctoral advisor must be a UTSC-appointed faculty member

Graduate students

- must have at least 2 years remaining in their graduate program beyond the date of ethics education
- must be in good standing in their graduate program
- must have a letter or email from their supervisor confirming support and the two conditions above
- must be officially affiliated with UTSC (see http://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/documents/campus+affiliation.pdf)

Application & Adjudication

A call for applications with a rolling deadline will be issued each January. Applications will be considered on the 28th of each month until funds are exhausted, and should be submitted a minimum of two months prior to the proposed educational experience. Please note that applications may also be considered for retroactive funding to reimburse eligible expenses incurred up to one year prior. Applicants are referred to the <u>application cover sheet</u> for more information.

Applications will be vetted by the Vice Dean Faculty Affairs & Equity and the Campus Indigenous Advisor who will make recommendations for awards to the Dean by the first week of each month. The grant must be used within one calendar year of award notification.

Applications will be assessed based on their description of the potential application of education in terms of benefit to research or teaching goals/plans in their UTSC-based work, curriculum development goals of their academic unit, and/or benefit of their future work to the Indigenous communities with which they hope to build a relationship.

Questions? Please contact: ovpd@utsc.utoronto.ca

¹ <u>https://carleton.ca/indigenousresearchethics/</u>