

Graduate Supervision Incentive (GSI)
Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland
Grant Application
2020-21

1) Purpose:

This grant aims to support and attract students in programs and research areas that are not currently available through Grenfell's graduate programs. This grant will provide a maximum of \$13,700 each year to support up to two students (up to \$6,850 per student) that are registered in a graduate program, with Grenfell Faculty as lead or co-supervisor for these students. Applicants should be proposed supervisors who have not previously had the opportunity to supervise graduate students. The goal of this fund is to provide faculty a chance to increase their experience in supervising and training of highly qualified individuals and expand their research capacity.

2) Eligibility:

- a) Any permanent academic staff member, as defined in the MUNFA Collective Agreement, or nurse educator for WRSON faculty under the RNUNL, who also meets the criteria below;
- b) Persons on leave are eligible with an appropriate plan for supervision if the leave period overlaps with that of the grant;
- c) Term contracts and persons holding an Adjunct appointment are ineligible.

3) Criteria:

- a) Applicants should clearly demonstrate how this student's program will expand the capacity of their research program and describe the importance of increasing their graduate student supervision experience;
- b) Applicants should identify their supervision philosophy and briefly describe their training plan (how they will support, develop skills, and transfer knowledge to students);
- c) Applicants should demonstrate that there is no current Grenfell-based graduate program available for the proposed student project;
- d) Priority will be given to new applicants who have not already received support from this fund and/or who have minimal to no recent graduate student supervision experience;

4) Value:

Students will receive a contribution of up to \$6,850 per year towards their annual funding package (depending on departmental and baseline matching requirements and available supervisor funding) for one or two year programs. These funds can be used to reduce the amount being provided through the graduate stipend at their primary campus or to increase the student's overall stipend support (as a supplement to SGS baseline support).

5) Required documents:

- a) **Project Description (40%):** A description of your research program (scope, objectives, impact, significance) and how the graduate student support will expand your research and training capacity (no more than one page, single spaced, minimum 12 pt Times New Roman font, ¾” margins)
- b) **Supervision Focused CV (30%):** An abbreviated, research and supervision focused Curriculum Vitae highlighting mentoring, undergraduate and graduate supervision, and relevant scholarly activity (no more than three pages, single spaced, minimum 12 pt Times New Roman font, ¾” margins).
- c) **Philosophy/Training (30%):** A description of your supervision philosophy and training plan (no more than one page, single spaced, minimum 12 pt Times New Roman font, ¾” margins). Should focus on your approach to supervision and opportunities to enhance your student’s training. The training plan should outline specific objectives and milestones over the student’s one or two-year program.
- d) A copy of the application file for the student to be supported.
- e) If the application involves contributions from other Schools and/or other external agencies or partners, the applicant should provide letters of commitment of those resources from the relevant School and/or external partner/agency, which specifically details cash and/or in-kind contributions.

6) Application Deadline:

Applications will be submitted by October 16, 2020 with results shared before the end of December 2021.

7) Review of Applications:

Applications will be reviewed a by a sub-committee of the Grenfell Campus Research Committee and selected in accordance with the abovementioned criteria.

8) Additional information:

For information or questions related to the application please contact Grants and Contracts Facilitation Officers Leanna Butters (lbutters@grenfell.mun.ca) or Jennifer Butler Wight (jbutler@grenfell.mun.ca).