

UBCO ORS offers the following facilitation services for the upcoming **November 1<sup>st</sup>** Discovery Grant Deadline.

Contact Research Development Officer [denise.maines@ubc.ca](mailto:denise.maines@ubc.ca) for more information about any of the programming listed below.

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### [A note about Discovery Grant extensions](#)

Researchers who received the final (e.g. 5<sup>th</sup>) installment of their Discovery Grant in April 2021 should be contacted by NSERC in June with an offer of an additional year of funding (COVID extensions with funds). This is optional, and you will have until September to inform NSERC of your decision. Any questions about COVID-extensions [with](#) or [without](#) funds, or [ECR extensions](#) with funds can be sent to [denise.maines@ubc.ca](mailto:denise.maines@ubc.ca).

### [Facilitation services](#)

#### [1. NSERC Q&A - How to submit a Notification of Intent to Apply for a Discovery Grant](#)

This series is meant to assist the research community on how to complete an application using the Research Portal and the NSERC Canadian Common CV (CCV)

**NSERC asks that you please view the [pre-recorded videos](#) prior to attending a live Q&A session, as the material presented in the videos will not be repeated.**

All webinars take place at 10am PST (1-2 ET)

English

[Live Q&A June 24, 2021](#) Passcode: NOIJune24

[Live Q&A for July 8, 2021](#) Passcode: NOIJULY8

Francais

[Live Q&A for June 22, 2021](#) Passcode: AI22juin

[Live Q&A for July 6, 2021](#) Passcode: AI6JUILLET

#### [2. NOI reviews](#)

July 20-28

If you would like a review of your NOI, please send a word or PDF copy to [denise.maines@ubc.ca](mailto:denise.maines@ubc.ca) no later than July 27<sup>th</sup>. NOIs will be reviewed on a first come, first served basis.

**\*\*All applicants MUST submit an NOI directly to NSERC by August 3 at 5pm. It is strongly recommended to submit ahead of the deadline.**

NSERC [instructions](#) - How to submit an NOI.

#### [3. Writing Bootcamps](#)

August 16-20, between 9 and noon

These interactive writing workshops don't require any writing completed prior to attending (although drafts are welcome). Each day will include:

- Introduction to the day's modules
- Examples from successful grants and module-specific resources
- Writing exercises



- One-on-one and group support from UBC Research Development Officers

Details will be sent to all applicants who submit an NOI.

#### [4. EDI workshop](#)

Early to mid-September

Details TBC

[Link to video](#) from 2020 cycle (CWL required)

#### [5. Evaluation Group Roundtable Discussion](#)

Mid-September

Details TBC

[Link to video](#) from 2020 cycle (CWL required)

Discussion topics include the review process, what makes an application successful and common weaknesses in applications.

#### [6. Criteria & Editorial review](#)

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> to October 21<sup>st</sup>

An invitation to sign up for a review slot will be sent to all applicants who submit an NOI.

#### [7. Technical Review](#)

October 27<sup>th</sup>

Forward a PDF to [denise.maines@ubc.ca](mailto:denise.maines@ubc.ca) of your online-portal application and receive feedback on spacing, pagination or formatting issues.

#### [8. Resources](#)

NSERC Discovery Grant [instructions](#) and [portal login](#)

[Sample Grant Library](#) (CWL required)

SPARC's comprehensive [guide](#) for applying to the Discovery Grant program