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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DETAILS AND IMPORTANT DATES

Program Name:	Lung Cancer Canada Studentship Grant
Status:	Accepting applications
Application Deadline Date:	May 30, 2016
Anticipated Notice of Decision:	June 15, 2016
Funding Start Date	July 1, 2016

DESCRIPTION

This summer studentship provides support for highly qualified applicants in all areas of lung cancer health research at all post-secondary stages to add to their experience by engaging in health research in Canada.

FUNDS AVAILABLE

A number of \$5,000 (CDN) grants are available as a one-time funding opportunity.

OBJECTIVES

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are:

- To provide biological sciences and social sciences students exposure to research related to lung cancer early in their career.
- To encourage students early in their academic training to gain awareness and an understanding of lung cancer
- To provide an opportunity to students to work with leading researchers in lung cancer research

EXAMPLES OF ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Examples of projects that may be appropriate for this award include:

- qualitative or quantitative studies
observational studies, e.g. case control or cohort studies
pilot or feasibility studies, including of interventions, questionnaire studies
- health outcomes research
systematic reviews
fellowship or trainee support for relevant projects including basic science or
- translational studies
- sub-studies of larger projects focused on lung cancer.

Proposals with direct practical relevance to Canadians with lung cancer, focusing on the promotion of hope, longer survival and/or better quality of life, will be prioritized.

ELIGIBILITY

This grant is dedicated to a Trainee. The Trainee must meet the following requirements:

- 1) Enrolment in a post-secondary degree program in the medical, biological, life or social sciences field at a Canadian university at the time of application
- 2) Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada at the time of application



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- 3) Have completed all the course requirements of at least the first-year of university study associated with a bachelor's degree by the funding start date
- 4) A primary supervisor must be identified in the application. An additional co-supervisor may be identified. The primary supervisor must hold a faculty position at a Canadian University

CONDITIONS OF FUNDING

Successful applicants funded through this funding opportunity and any other persons working on the project must comply fully with the Lung Cancer Canada Funding Policies. Policies and guidelines cover areas such as Applicant Responsibilities, Official Languages policy, Access to Information and Privacy Acts, and Acknowledgement of Lung Cancer Canada's Support.

The award must be accepted within 15 working days of the date of offer or the award will be cancelled and potentially offered to the next fundable applicant.

The successful applicant must:

- Begin their award within 6 months of the earliest possible start date stated in this funding opportunity
- Completed the research within 4 months of the start date
- Submit a final results report to Lung Cancer Canada within 3 months of the completion date
- Contribute a 500 word document for publication within Lung Cancer Canada's digital and paper forums
- Organize and host a community event to increase lung cancer awareness. A broad scope of event types is acceptable to fulfill this criteria (e.g. lung cancer awareness day at hospital, or university health centre, social media campaign, public school awareness event)
- Present the research findings at a regional or national conference with a lung cancer focus. Conferences include, but are not limited to the Ontario Thoracic Cancer Conference, Canadian Lung Cancer Conference, Atlantic Canada Thoracic Oncology Conference, CAMO or CARO or CATS annual meetings (Canadian Association of: Medical Oncologists, Radiation Oncologists, Thoracic Surgeons). Choice of conference must be approved by the Lung Cancer Canada Medical Advisory Committee. The trainee is responsible for all expenses related to conference attendance
- Lung Cancer Canada recognizes that this research opportunity may fit within a bigger research project and will disseminate the results in a public forum only with the written consent of the Trainee's supervisor.



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COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS

Award recipients are required to acknowledge Lung Cancer Canada and any partners in any communication or publication related to the project. The contributing partners will be identified on the decision letter.

REVIEW PROCESS AND EVALUATION

Application will be reviewed by a panel of experts consisting of members of the Lung Cancer Canada Medical Advisory Committee Student Grant Review Committee.

Eligible applications will be evaluated using the following review criteria:

- Academic excellence and research aptitude of the student
- Excellence of the research project and fit to research objectives described above including relevance to health research
- Quality of the mentoring plan
- Suitability of the supervisory and appropriateness of the student for the award and training plan

HOW TO APPLY

A complete application consists of:

- A personal CV is required for the trainee and is limited to three pages
- Short CV or bio for the Primary Supervisor and is limited to 1 page
- A signed letter of up to five pages from the supervisor, co-signed by the trainee:
 - Outlining the research project/activities of candidate,
 - Relevance of the project to the grant description
 - Project background or rationale
 - Project aims
 - Research description and methods
 - Description of the study team
 - Project timeline
 - Budget and confirmation of supplement funding and its source
- Official transcripts of the candidates complete post-secondary academic record to date

The application submission process has two steps:

- 1) Email a copy of the completed application to info@lungcancercanada.ca
- 2) Mail one signed copy of the completed application to the following address:

Re: Studentship Award
Lung Cancer Canada
10 St Mary Street, Suite 315
Toronto, ON
M4Y 1P9



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CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions about this initiative, please contact Lung Cancer Canada at:

Telephone: 416.785.3439
1.888.445.4403

Email: info@lungcancer canada.ca

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

Lung Cancer Canada is committed to promotion of and compliance to the applicable parts of the Official Languages Act. As such, Lung Cancer Canada encourages applicants to submit proposals in the Official Language of their choice and commits to ensuring high quality review of applications submitted in either Official Language. In addition, applicants are encouraged to consider the inclusion of Official Languages and Official Language Minority Communities in their research where appropriate.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT AND PRIVACY ACT, AND THE PERSONAL INFORMATION PROTECTION AND ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS ACT (PIPEDA)

All personal information collected by Lung Cancer Canada about applicants is used to review applications, to recruit reviewers, to administer and monitor grants and awards, to compile statistics, and to promote and support health research in Canada. Consistent with these purposes, applicants should also expect that information collected by Lung Cancer Canada may be shared as described in the Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality Policy of the Federal Research Funding Organizations.

Lung Cancer Canada is subject to the Access to Information Act and the Privacy Act, therefore the requirements of these two statutes will apply to all information located in Lung Cancer Canada premises including, without limitation, cost-sharing agreements related to this funding opportunity and all matters pertaining thereto.

While respecting the application of the Privacy Act to federal entities, all signing parties involved in a collaborative agreement will also be bound by the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA). All personal information (as identified by the PIPEDA) collected, used or disclosed in the course of any commercial activity under collaborative agreements related to the Funding opportunity will be collected, used and disclosed in compliance with the PIPEDA.