

Western Research Grants Repository
Supporting Grant Excellence Across Campus

What is the Western Research Grants Repository?

The Western Research Grants Repository is a new, centralized digital resource designed to support researchers in developing competitive funding applications. Built as a secure module within PeopleSoft, the repository provides access to successful grant applications that have been shared by fellow Western researchers. This centralized approach complements existing faculty-specific resources while providing unique access to diverse applications across funding agencies, sponsors, and disciplines, ensuring consistent accessibility and long-term sustainability across the institution.

Purpose and Role

The repository serves as a **supplementary resource** to existing grant support services. It is intended to:

- Provide practical examples of successful grant writing approaches and strategies
- Offer visibility into different funding programs and sponsor expectations
- Support both new and experienced researchers in strengthening their applications
- Serve as a valuable resource for both researchers and research support staff, particularly in faculties with limited grant support services
- Foster a culture of knowledge sharing with equitable access across faculties and cross-disciplinary learning opportunities

What the Repository is NOT

- A replacement for existing grant support services or other specialized application repositories
- A substitute for consulting current funding guidelines and requirements
- A one-size-fits-all solution for grant writing

Repository Contents

We are continuing to populate the repository with high-quality, successful grant applications that represent:

- Different faculties, departments, disciplines, and research areas
- Various funding programs and sponsors
- Diverse research approaches

Access and Security

- Available to researchers who have access to the ROLA grants management system
- Protected by PeopleSoft's established security framework
- All users must agree to usage restrictions (no sharing, copying, or redistribution)

Collaborative Application Inclusion Policy

- The lead applicant, as the primary point of contact, is responsible for confirming permission to include the application with all team members and/or partners, where necessary
- In the absence of specifically identified concerns, we will accept the consent of the lead applicant as sufficient authorization for inclusion of an application in the repository
- We acknowledge that circumstances and preferences may change over time. All application materials will be promptly removed from the repository upon request by any applicant or contributor, regardless of their role in the original submission

How to Support This Initiative

We are seeking **successful applications** to include in the repository during this preliminary phase. We encourage researchers to respond positively to invitations to contribute their grant applications. If there is an exemplary application you'd like to suggest for inclusion, please contact grantrepository@uwo.ca.

Western Research thanks you for your support in developing this resource for our research community. Together, we can enhance Western's grant success and research impact.