

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) - Research Tools and Instruments – Category 1 grant

Funding: \$7,001 to \$150,000 (available for all disciplines that come under the Evaluation Groups)

Research Tools and Instruments (RTI) grants foster and enhance the discovery, innovation and training capability of university researchers in the natural sciences and engineering by supporting the purchase of research equipment and installations.

RTI grants are **one-year awards** that assist in buying or developing research equipment that costs more than \$7,000. In exceptional cases, multiple-year requests will be accepted. The onus is on the applicant to clearly explain the rationale. Items costing less than \$7,000 each can be purchased with Discovery Grant funds or be included as a complement to a main piece of equipment being requested. Only applications from applicants and co-applicants who currently hold or are applying for an NSERC research grant (e.g., Discovery, Strategic, Collaborative Research and Development, Canada Research Chairs) at the time of application will be accepted.

NEW TRU RTI Pre-Selection Process

Please note the RTI - Category 1 funding model has been changed by NSERC, so TRU is now required to pre-select a quota of two applications which are submitted to the national RTI competition. Therefore, a peer review committee will be used to pre-select all RTI applications to be forwarded by TRU to NSERC. These TRU peer review committee pre-selection results will be made available to applicants by September 5.

Please note the TRU RTI Pre-Selection application deadline is: August 15

Starting 2015, NSERC will receive the RTI applications through NSERC Research Portal <https://portal-portail.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/>. For NSERC Application Submission Procedures, please go to http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/RTII-OIRI/RTI-OIR_eng.asp. Complete Canadian Common CV (CCV)  **Canadian Common CV** and attach it to your application.

Please contact: Anita Sharma, Research Grants Development Officer, (ansharma@tru.ca), if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Important RTI Competition Dates:

August 15	TRU pre-selection application
September 5	Pre-selection results available
October 13	Final application submission to the Research Office
October 25	Application submission to the NSERC by the Research Office