

MEMORANDUM

To: Barbara H. Eccles
University Secretary

From: Dr. Isabelle Lemee
Chair, Senate Research Committee 2018/2019

Senate Meeting Date: Monday, September 17, 2018

Subject: Senate Research Committee Annual Report 2017/18

I am pleased to submit the 2017-2018 Annual Report on behalf of the Senate Research Committee (SRC). Please note that this Annual Report is being submitted in September since the SRC's work was not concluded before the last Senate meeting in the spring. On behalf of Maria Grazia Viola, the 2017/2018 SRC Chair, I would like to thank the SRC committee members for their work, particularly those on the Working Group and the Tri-Council Sub-Committees. Below are the highlights of the work undertaken in the 2017/2018 academic year.

Research Plan

The Senate Research Committee and the Office of the Vice-President, Research and Innovation are developing the 2018-2023 Research Plan.

Terms of Reference

The Senate Research Committee's revised Terms of Reference were approved at the Senate meeting on October 30, 2017.

Research Centres and Institutes

Four Research Centres and Institutes were reviewed in 2017/2018: The Centre for Rural and Northern Health Research (CRaNHR), the Centre for Education and Research on Aging and Health (CERAH), the Centre for Health Care Ethics (CHCE), and the Lakehead Social History Institute (LSHI). The Senate Research Committee accepted the committees' reports and recommendations for each Centre and Institute.

The SRC recommended that the proposal for the new Green Processes Research Centre (GPRC) be approved.

The SRC recommended that the proposal for the new EPID@Work Research Centre be approved.

Research Integrity Policy

The Senate Research Committee approved the Research Integrity Policy, which replaces the Guidelines and Policy for the Ethical Conduct of Research and Procedures for Investigating Misconduct. The Research Integrity Policy was approved by Senate on May 14, 2018.

Canada Research Chairs (CRC) Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan

As mandated by the government, the Office of the Vice-President, Research and Innovation has posted Lakehead University's CRC Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan. The plan can be found [here](#).

Recommendations for NOHFC Research Internships

The SRC reviewed and made recommendations on five Northern Ontario Internship Program Grant applications (Research Category). Lakehead University submitted the top three applications to the NOHFC in April 2018.

Internal Funds and Grants

The SRC approved the revised Conference Travel Grant and Publication Assistance Fund guidelines. The Open Access pilot program has been incorporated into the revised Publication Assistance Fund. Lakehead University was successful in receiving the SSHRC Institutional Grant (SIG) for another three years.

Internal Research Awards

The SRC reviewed one application for the **2017 Distinguished Researcher Awards** and made its recommendation to the Vice-President, Research and Innovation. The award was conferred during the Research and Innovation Week Awards of Excellence Reception on March 8, 2018 to:

- Pamela Wakewich, Sociology & Women's Studies

The SRC reviewed four applications for the **2017 Contributions to Research Awards** and made its recommendation to the Vice-President, Research and Innovation. The awards were conferred during the Research and Innovation Week Awards of Excellence Reception on March 8, 2018 to:

- Cheryl Lousley, English
- Sudip Rakshit, Chemical Engineering
- Rebecca Schiff, Health Sciences

Internal Research Funding Competitions

Competition	Fall 2017						Total Submitted	Total Awarded	Success Rate
	Awarded			Declined					
	NSERC	SSHRC	CIHR	NSERC	SSHRC	CIHR			
CTG	3	3	1	1	2	1	11	7	64%

Competition	Winter & Spring 2018						Total Submitted	Total Awarded	Success Rate
	Awarded			Declined					
	NSERC	SSHRC	CIHR	NSERC	SSHRC	CIHR			
CTG	7	21	3	1	2	1	35	31	89%
LNL		2					2	2	100%
PA	1	1			1		3	2	67%
RDF	10	8	5	1	1		25	23	92%
VSF	2	5			2		9	7	78%
Total Awarded & Declined	20	37	8	2	6	1	74	65	88%

Total 2017/2018 Competition	Total Submitted	Total Awarded	Success Rate
CTG	46	38	83%
LNL	2	2	100%
PA	3	2	67%
RDF	25	23	92%
VSF	9	7	78%
Total Awarded & Declined	85	72	85%

Legend

- CTG Conference Travel Grant
- LNL Leave Non-Leave
- PA Publication Assistance Fund
- RDF Research Development Fund
- VSF Visiting Scholar Fund

Open Access Author Fund (Pilot)

The Open Access Author Fund was created to assist researchers with the costs connected with open access publishing. The remaining funding from the pilot project was used in 2017/2018.

# Applications Reviewed in 2017/2018									
Competition	Open Call						Total Submitted	Total Awarded	Success Rate
	Awarded			Declined					
	NSERC	SSHRC	CIHR	NSERC	SSHRC	CIHR			
Open Access	2	1		2			5	3	60%

Sincerely,



Dr. Isabelle Lemee
Chair, 2018-2019
Senate Research Committee