



ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND

NEW RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INITIATIVES AWARD

The annual allocation to the Academic Development Fund (ADF) is not less than one-half of one percent (0.5%) of the distributable operating revenue of the University's budget. The **New Research and Scholarly Initiatives Award**, funded by the Academic Development Fund, to support research initiatives for individuals, disciplinary teams and cross-disciplinary and interdisciplinary teams. Applications are invited from faculty in all disciplines.

There are two types of competitions for the New Research and Scholarly Initiatives Award:

Major Grants Competition and **Small Grants Competition**.

Announcements about the application procedures for the New Research and Scholarly Initiatives Award, Major Grant and Small Grant competitions are published in *Western News* in the Fall and Spring each year.

Applications:

All components of the applications for the Major Grant Competition and Small Grants Competition may be obtained from this site. Once you've read the General Information at one of the above links, click on one of the following links for the application form:

Major Grants Competition Application Form
Small Grants Competition Application Form

Competition is closed
In Word In WordPerfect In PDF

Final Report Forms:

As per the terms of reference for ADF Major Grants and Small Grants, grant-holders are required to complete and submit a final report to the University Secretariat. Click on the following link to access the final report form. **[Final Report Form](#)**

Contact Information:

Marci Oswald
ADF Administrator
University Secretariat
290 Stevenson-Lawson Building
The University of Western Ontario
London, ON N6A 5B8

Tel: 519 661-2111, extn 84540
E-Mail: msoswald@uwo.ca

Revised: February 5, 2010



NEW RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INITIATIVES AWARD

SMALL GRANTS COMPETITION

Approximately \$80,000 is available for allocation in the spring and fall of each year for the New Research and Scholarly Initiative Awards - Small Grants - which are funded jointly by the Academic Development Fund and the Research Promotion Fund. The New Research and Scholarly Initiative Awards - Small Grants are intended to support the cost of research projects of modest scope. These awards include seed money, one-time requests and projects of short duration. Requests to supplement existing operating or research grants, to augment funds for larger projects (funded or applied for), or to attend conferences, will generally not be accepted. The value of individual grants will not exceed \$8,500.

Guidelines for Projects *[excerpt]*

Preference will be given to applications that offer a clear rationale for the proposed research, exhibit innovation, and contain a budget explaining fully how the money requested will be spent. In addition, preference will be given to those faculty members striving to get programs of research established and to those who, during the past three years, have not received funds through the SSHRC Internal Research competitions or the Academic Development Fund (ADF).

Application Forms and Guidelines

Application forms are revised from year to year and expire on the March deadline date. New forms will be posted at this site when updates to applications and guidelines are completed, generally in August of each year.

Completed proposals will be administered in electronic format only. Application forms may be obtained at the link below, or from the University Secretariat web site: www.uwo.ca/univsec/senate or by contacting the SUPAD Secretary at 519 661-2111, extn. 84540 (email: msoswald@uwo.ca).

[Click here](#) to obtain the application instructions and application forms (available in Word, WordPerfect, and Adobe Acrobat format).

Deadlines

Application deadlines for the spring and fall competitions are as follows, except on weekends or statutory holidays, in which case the deadline will be extended to the next work day.

Completed electronic applications (Adobe PDF format) must be received by the SUPAD Secretary by the application deadline. Additional instructions for submissions in electronic format are further described in the Guidelines.

SPRING	March 1	Submission of applications to the Dean's Office for signature
	March 15	Submission of applications (Adobe PDF format) to the SUPAD Secretary, by 4:30 p.m.
FALL	October 1	Submission of applications to the Dean's Office for signature
	October 15	Submission of applications (Adobe PDF format) to the SUPAD Secretary, by 4:30 p.m.