

Malcolm and Ruth Ferguson Research Grant

(Amount: up to \$5,000)

This research grant is intended to enhance the research program of a faculty member of the Department of Biology. The grant may be used to support the costs of research (including graduate stipends) but may not be used for travel. The applicant must concurrently hold a competitive operating grant from a federal grant council (e.g., NSERC, CIHR).

In their submission, applicants should include the following information:

- a) On a separate page, list name and contact info. Applications will be blinded prior to review.
- b) Project description and benefits of the proposed project to the faculty member's research program (1 page max);
- c) A budget and budget justification outlining how the funds will be used, including a statement of Relationship to Other Funds to demonstrate no overlap (1 page max).

Examples: graduate student stipend to bring in someone to work on a new research direction; registration costs to attend a workshop to build new research skills; analytical software; equipment; direct research costs.

Award Criteria: Applications will be evaluated by the Biology Department Research Committee based on the quality of the proposal, the degree to which the additional funds will advance the applicants research program, and the benefits to the research program. The Biology Research Committee reserves the right to not make an award if the quality of applications is deemed not sufficient. The Committee's recommendation is conveyed to the Chair of the Department of Biology and the Dean of the Faculty of Science, who approve and award the grant.

Submission: Complete applications must be submitted electronically in PDF format to Hillary Bain (hbain2@uwo.ca).

Application Deadline: March 2, 2020

Award Announcement: No later than March 31. The term of the grant is one year from July 1 – June 30.

Duration and Reporting: The grant funds may be used at any time during the 12 months of the award. A brief written report on the outcomes of the research activities supported by the grant, and the expenditures must be submitted to the Chair of the Research Committee by June 30, 2021.