



P2 Indigenous Research Seed Grant

Deadline: August 15, 2025

Purpose of funding:

The P2 (Person to Population) Cardiovascular Research Initiative is committed to benefitting all persons living in Canada through health promotion, community outreach and by raising awareness about cardiovascular risk factors. It promotes understanding of the social and economic determinants of health with a focus on improving equity and diversity in research.

The P2 Initiative is pleased to announce a call for applications for seed grant funding for projects focused on Indigenous cardiovascular health. This initiative supports the development of research that responds to Indigenous community priorities, addresses cardiovascular health inequities, and demonstrates meaningful community engagement with Indigenous collaborators.

The seed grant funding aims to:

- Promote health equity by addressing social determinants of health and systemic barriers contributing to cardiovascular disparities.
- Foster respectful and mutually beneficial collaboration with Indigenous communities, organizations, and knowledge holders.
- Generate preliminary data or outcomes that support future grant applications to major funding agencies.
- Advance truth and reconciliation through ethical, responsive and culturally grounded research practices.

Eligibility:

Applications must include a member of the P2 Initiative and must hold a faculty appointment (or equivalent) at the University of Calgary.

Trainees (graduate students or postdoctoral fellows) may apply as co-applicants with a faculty supervisor.

Projects must demonstrate meaningful engagement with Indigenous communities, organizations, or representatives.

Available funds:

Applications may request support up to \$15,000 for up to 2 years.

Eligible expenses:

- Personnel (i.e., trainees, staff)
- Operational expenses (i.e., consumables, materials, supplies)
- Community engagement costs
- Travel (for community visits and collaboration)
- Knowledge translation
- Ceremonial protocol (e.g., honouraria, gifts, tobacco)

Ineligible expenses:

Funds cannot be used for office furniture, office computers and peripherals, general computer software, construction, or renovation.

Applications:

Applicants will submit an initial application containing the following:

- Project Summary (1 pages) – Inclusive of any figures; references may be added on separate pages
 - Relevance of Indigenous cardiovascular health and health equity
- Research plan (2 pages)
 - Methodology, timelines, and outcomes
 - Plans for community engagement, ethical considerations, and contribution to health equity
- Positionality Statement (1 page)
 - Outline who you are, your connection to Indigenous community and/or territory, and how this shapes your perspective. Provide context for your work and highlight the strengths you and/or your team brings to the project.
- Indigenous Mentorship Plan (1 page)
 - Describe who you and/or your team will turn to for guidance, support, and connections to Indigenous communities or networks. How will this mentorship help you align with work with Indigenous priorities and contribute to advancing Indigenous cardiovascular health equity?
- Budget and Justification
- Letter(s) of Support – From Indigenous community partner(s) or organizations, demonstrating commitment and engagement
- Academic Applicants' Tri-Agency CVs



Selection Process:

Applications will be reviewed by a multidisciplinary committee including members of the P2 Initiative, Indigenous scholars and community representatives. Evaluation criteria include:

- Strength and authenticity of community engagement
- Relevance and potential impact on Indigenous cardiovascular health
- Contribution to advancing health equity
- Scientific merit and innovation
- Feasibility and appropriateness of the budget
- Potential for future external funding

Post award administration:

Successful applicants will be required to submit yearly progress reports and a final report upon completion of funding provided. Applicants should also be willing to participate in and/or help organize events that focus on Indigenous cardiovascular health.

Funds may be taken back by the LCI if awardees are not demonstrating progress and using funds as planned.

Deadline for application:

Tuesday, July 15, 2025

Electronic submissions should be done via the [application form](#).

We encourage applicants to consult with UCalgary's [Indigenous Research Support Team \(IRST\)](#) before submitting projects to the P2 Indigenous Research Seed Grant. For questions or additional information please contact libin@ucalgary.ca.