



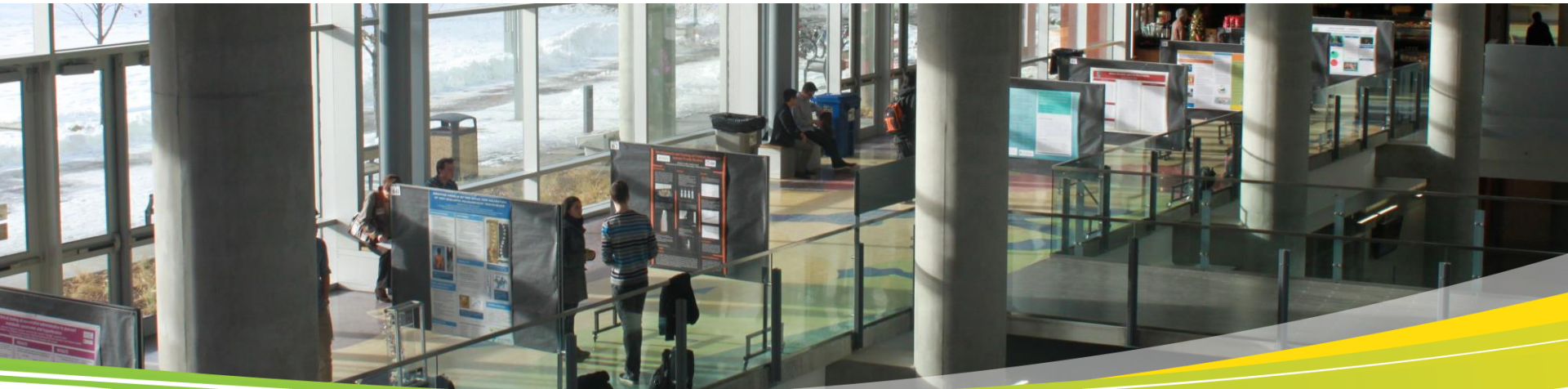
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# 2017 AIHS Summer Studentship Information Session

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*“uplifting the whole people”*

— HENRY MARSHALL TORY, FOUNDING PRESIDENT, 1908



# Alberta Innovates Health Solutions Summer Studentship

- Fund to support students engaged in summer medical/health sciences research
- \$1500/month for 2-4 months
- As of Jan. 2016, administered at U of A by URi





## Alberta Innovates Health Solutions Summer Studentship

- Research must be conducted at the U of A
- Deadline: Feb. 6, 2017
- Apply on URI Website: [URI website \(Google Form\)](#)



## Supervisor eligibility

- Have a primary faculty appointment at the U of A
- Up to TWO students in each cycle
- Demonstrate a record of relevant research publications & sufficient operating funding to support the student's research



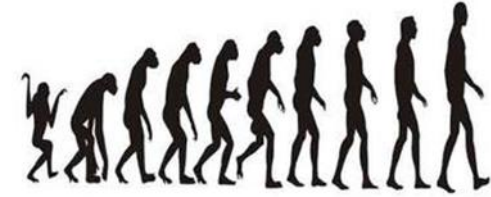
## Student eligibility

- Enrolled in:
  - an undergraduate or MD program
  - Grade 12 of high school
- May be enrolled at another post-secondary institution and wishing to undertake research at the U of A



## Student eligibility

- Have a confirmed supervisor
- Min. 8 consecutive weeks between May-August
- International students welcome!

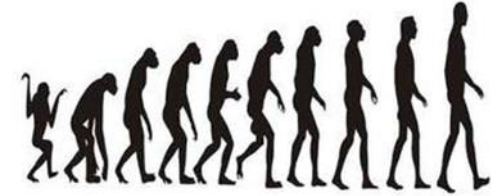


## Key changes for 2017

- New Google Forms application
- New adjudication rubric

### Students:

- Greater emphasis on student skill development and goals
- Cannot obtain academic credit for project
- Cannot hold another major award concurrently for the same project



## Key changes for 2017

### Supervisors:

- Comprehensive publication list from last 3 years is **not** required. Select 3-5 publications most relevant to the proposal and describe their relevance to the proposal.
- Funding: Identify the operating grant that will directly support the student's research.





## **Consent to share AIHS application packages**

Streamlined application process

- Supervisors from Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry
- Supervisors from Department of Surgery
- Supervisors who are members of the ADI

**Please provide consent in the application form to share your application (including student transcripts) for further adjudication of awards administered by these units.**



## Adjudication criteria (New Rubric)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Merit of the project</li><li>• Supervisor's fit &amp; commitment</li></ul>	SUPERVISOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quality of Proposal</li></ul>	SUPERVISOR (proposal) + STUDENT (abstract)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Student (x2)</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anticipated professional dvlpt. (STUDENT)</li><li>• Relevance of student's bkgd. (STUDENT)</li><li>• Student's role &amp; skill dvlpt. (SUPERVISOR)</li></ul></li></ul>	



## Merit of the project

- How will this project contribute to the medical and health sciences?
- Is the hypothesis clearly defined?
- Are the methods appropriate?
- Are the goals and timelines realistic?





## Supervisor's fit and commitment

- Is the supervisor's expertise a strong fit for the project?
- How will the supervisor support and mentor the student?
- Are the necessary resources available to complete the project?





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## Quality of the proposal

- Is the proposal well developed?
- Is it accessible?
- Does the abstract fit with the proposal?





## Student's bkgd., role and skill dvlpt.

- How will this experience contribute to the student's skill development?
- How will this experience impact the student's future goals and aspirations?
- What is the relevance of the student's background to the project?





## Award decision timelines & next steps

- Results available in early to mid April
- Students encouraged to request feedback on their applications
- URI administers award payments directly
- URI does a mid-project check-in with students & supervisors
- Final reports due within 10 days of the project end date



## Tips for Applicants

- Please ensure that you and your student fill out the appropriate sections!
- Work with the [offline Word template](#) and then submit through Google Forms
- The student can visit URI to get feedback/advice before they submit





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## For more information...

- Please see the [AIHS Summer Studentship Program Guide](#)
- Questions? Please contact us at:  
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- For more general information about URI, please visit our website: [www.uri.ualberta.ca](http://www.uri.ualberta.ca)

