

**Provisions Relating to the
One Health Trainee Award
Western University
February 2025**

Background:

The One Health Trainee Award was established by the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine to support the recruitment of graduate students or to enhance the ongoing research of a current graduate student performing One Health research as part of their MSc or PhD in Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Eligibility:

The One Health Trainee Award may be used for recruitment of graduate students in the area of One Health within the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine or to enhance a current graduate student's research in the One Health field, either (a) by providing stipend support, or (b) by offsetting the costs of One Health research enhancement activities.

Deadline: June 1st

Application:

The application for the *One Health Research: Trainee Award* is initiated by the supervisor(s) and must include:

1. an outline of the research project [1-page maximum];
2. an updated CV of the supervisor(s);
3. copies of the student's transcripts and CV;
4. a letter of support from the supervisor, outlining mentoring program and the need for funding [2-page maximum];
5. the proposed budget and budget justification [1-page maximum], and;
6. a declaration of whether the award will be used for the student's stipend support or research expenses.

Selection of Award:

The Graduate Education Committee of the research-based program in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine will adjudicate the applications. A student can receive this award only once during their graduate program training in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine. If the award is used to offset graduate student's stipend, the student's total funding package will be adjusted accordingly. Consideration will be given to incoming or current students who applied for, but did not receive, Tri-Council funding.

Amount and Number of Awards:

In any given academic year, only one student from a supervisor may be funded. The award will be for one (1) year (3 terms) only, with a maximum value of \$10,000 per year. The Graduate Education Committee may, however, change the amount or number of awards.

In the case of a stipend award, funds will be disbursed through the Student Centre. Funding will be considered part of the student's overall funding package and will be prorated based on other

student funding and awards (e.g., GTA, Tri-Council scholarships, internal awards, and other scholarships).


In the case of a research enhancement award, any unused funds after one year will be returned to the award account. These funds are linked to the student for whom the supervisor applied for support – if the student withdraws from the program, the unused funds will be returned to the award account.

Examples of eligible One Health research enhancement expenses:

- ***Consultation fees:*** Fee for specialized expertise. For example, statistical analyses, research design.
- ***Travel:*** Expenses for visiting collaborators or travel related to use of specialized equipment not available at Western University or Western-affiliated institutions. Travel (including registration costs) associated with conference presentations is not eligible. Students should apply to other departmental awards for conference participation.
- ***Technical workshops:*** Costs associated with training in new techniques or technologies. For example, data analyses, writing workshops, teaching workshops.
- ***Courses:*** Fees for taking advanced courses or certifications that contribute to student's research project and are not covered by student's tuition at Western.
- ***Knowledge mobilization costs:*** Costs for publishing graduate student's research findings in open access journals.
- ***Data access:*** Fees for accessing large datasets or biobanks (e.g., provided by third-party vendors).

Authorization:

Executed as of **February 12, 2025** forth opposite the signatures of each of the parties hereto:

<p>John Yoo, Dean Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry</p>	 <p>David Driman, Department Head Pathology and Laboratory Medicine</p>
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