2023 NSERC USRA SUMMER AWARDS

February 22, 2023

Land acknowledgement

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates.

For thousands of years, it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and the Mississaugas of the Credit.

Today this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.

Today's Speakers

❖ Robert Dirstein, Project Manager/Analyst, EASI

❖ Jessica Keating, Research Funding Manager, Office of Research Services

❖ Keti Dzamova, Research Funding Officer, Office of Research Services

NSERC USRA Updates

❖ **Tri-Agency support for underrepresented groups:** The federal government announced funding for the federal granting agencies to support targeted scholarships and fellowships for promising Black students.

❖ Applicants who self-identify as Black (similar to those who identify as Indigenous) are funded by NSERC above and beyond its allocation for USRA

❖ **New this year: use of MRA for USRAs:** Replacing the Excel nomination table and application packages (including the certification forms) departments will now need each nominated supervisor to submit an MRA for their USRA one MRA for each supervisor/student.

NSERC USRA Overview

NSERC USRA –Summer Life Cycle

End of January

NSERC releases the U of T quota allocation

January / February
U of T analyst runs the internal allocation process, RSO share the quota allocation with USRA departments

April 17
Departments provide the names of indigenous and black student awards

April 19 all USRA applications are submitted in the NSERC on-line system & departments submit their MRAs to RSO

By **May 1** all applications must be received by NSERC

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Welcome Keti Dzamova

Users of the online system will no longer be required to periodically change their passwords. However, for their own protection, users are encouraged to change their passwords regularly. Keep your password safe and confidential; do not divulge it to anyone. NSERC will not be held liable for any loss of your data should you neglect to protect your password.

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Forms - Student

Forms - Reviewer

Forms - Partners

Forms - Department Head

Institution Services

Research Grants Officer

Liaison Officer (master)

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Form 202 Part I - Application Profile

Program Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)

Application language   English ●   French ○

At the time of application, you are attending a postsecondary institution?   Full time? ●   Part time? ○

Have you ever held a USRA or Experience Award (previously IUSRA) in the past?   Yes ○   No ●

Select the agency whose mandate best aligns with your field of research.
CIHR ○   NSERC ●   SSHRC ○

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Self-identification statement:

Please note: Answers to the self-identification statement are not seen or used during the review process or by proposed research supervisors.

Statement 1: Indigenous applicants

For NSERC, Indigenous applicants may be considered above the institution's USRA application limit.

For the purposes outlined above, do you disclose that your self-identity is Indigenous, and that you acknowledge that this information may be shared with the institution that you are applying to?

◉ Yes

○ No / I do not self-identify as Indigenous / I am applying to CIHR or SSHRC

Statement 2: Black applicants

For NSERC, Black applicants may be considered above the institution's USRA application limit.

For SSHRC and CIHR, USRAs are exclusively for Black students. Applicants are hereby disclosing that they self-identify as Black and understand that this information will be shared with the institution to which they are applying and, if awarded, publicly.

For the purposes outlined above, do you disclose that you self-identify as Black and understand that this information may be shared as described above?

○ Yes

◉ No / I do not self-identify as Black

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Form 202 Part I - Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)

Once you have created your application, the system will assign it a reference number. Once Part I is complete, you must provide this number to your proposed supervisor to enable him or her to complete Part II. If you intend to apply a second time using your Form 202, do not forget to update it.

Terms and conditions of applying: Accepted

Reference Number	Status	Last Updated	Edit Form	Verify Completeness	Preview/ Print
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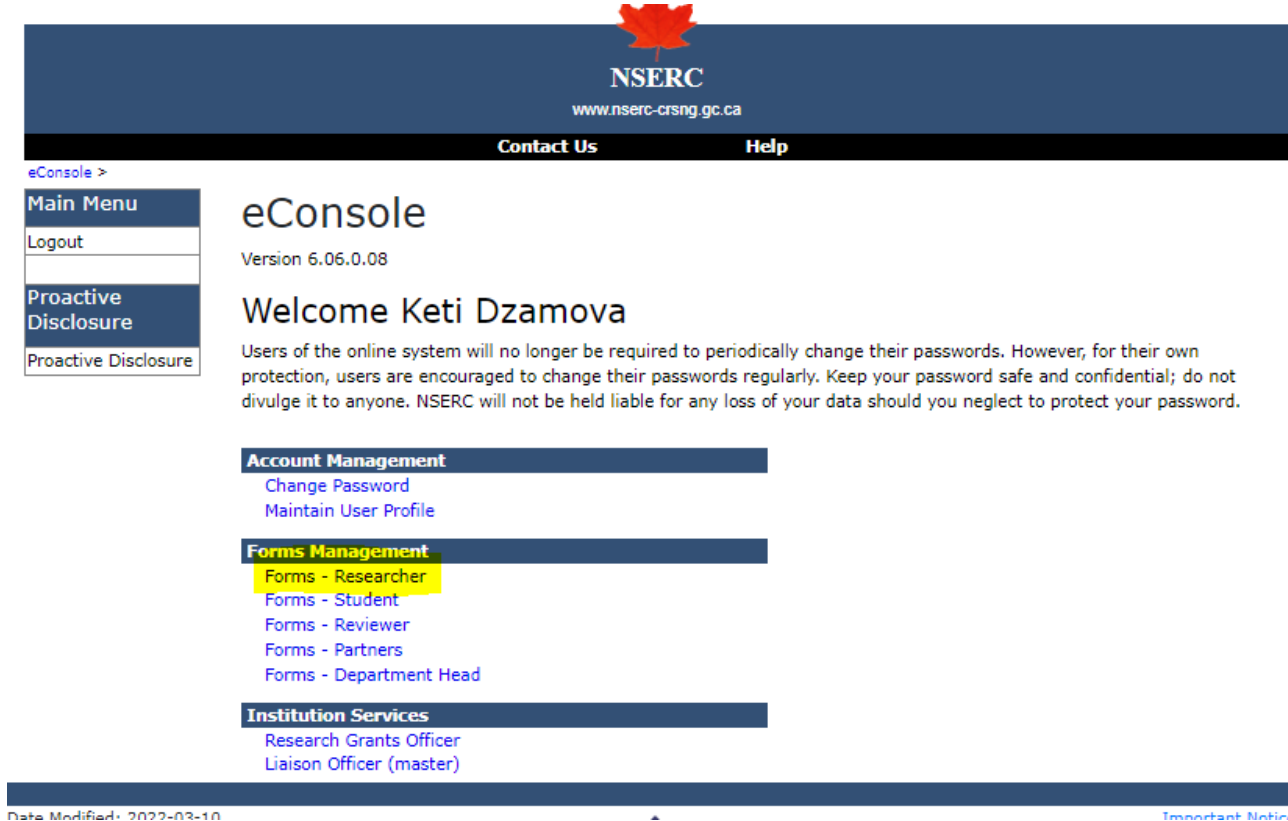
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Step 1b: NSERC On-Line System Form 202 Part II

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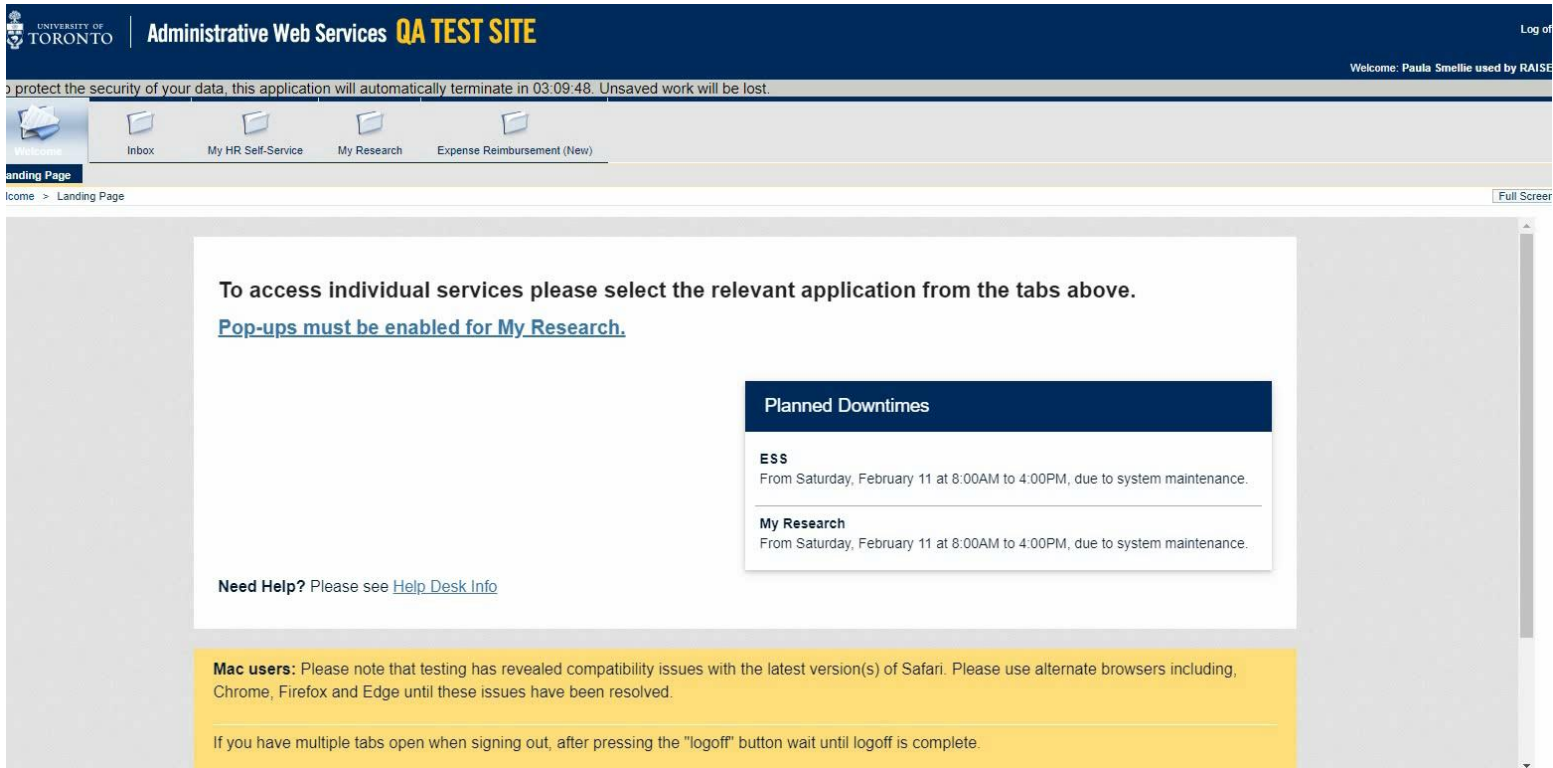Form 202 Part II - Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)

1. Select **Verify** to ensure your application is complete (status will appear as Completed).
2. **Submit** your application to your institution for approval (status will appear as Submitted). This action is the equivalent of you signing the application. Refer to Electronic Submission of Applications.
3. Your institution submits your application to NSERC for consideration (status will appear as **Approved**).

Student Name	Term	Status	Last Updated	Edit Form	Verify Completeness	Preview/ Print	Submit to LO
Dzamova,Keti	Summer	Submitted	2023/01/27			Preview	Submit
Dzamova,Keti	Summer	In Progress	2023/01/27	Edit	Verify	Preview	Submit

Application Procedures

Step 2: Department MRA
2.1 PI Submission

Application Procedures

Step 2: Department MRA
2.2 Business Officer Task

NSERC Resources

❖ NSERC On-Line System: https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/OnlineServices-ServicesEnLigne/Index_eng.asp

❖ NSERC USRA Website:https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/students-etudiants/ug-pc/usra-brpc_eng.asp

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Questions