

2023 NSERC USRA SUMMER AWARDS

February 22, 2023



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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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On-line
Services

Our on-line services are designed to give you easier access to NSERC's on-line systems.

On-line System Users


Select **On-line System Login** to create or access an application.

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- ▶ First-Time User? Please [Register](#)
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Step 1: NSERC On-Line System



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Note: NSERC's online system has been updated to a new look and feel. Functionality is the same, but you will notice some slight changes in the presentation of most pages. For example, some instructions are now collapsible.

Security, Privacy and Use and Disclosure of Information

Before using NSERC's online system, please read the following documents and register your acceptance below:

- NSERC's [Security Statement](#) and details on the retention periods of the data;
- NSERC's statement on the federal [Access to Information Act and Privacy Act](#);
- For applicants and co-applicants: [Use and Disclosure of Personal Information Provided to NSERC](#); and
- For Referees: [Instructions to Referees on the Privacy Act, Confidentiality and the Use and Disclosure of Information](#).

When you login and use this system, it means that you understand and accept that these policies and conditions apply.

You will be automatically logged out of the system if there has not been any activity (e.g., Save, Preview, etc.) for an extended period of time. To avoid having to login again, we recommend that you select **Save** every 10 to 15 minutes.

Account name (User ID) (30 chars)
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Password (10 chars)
[Forgot your Password?](#)

Must be **8-10 characters long, must contain at least one special character (! @ # \$ % ^ & * () + = { } | < > \ _ - [] / ?) and no spaces**, may contain numbers (0-9), lower and upper case letters (a-z, A-Z). Please note that your password is case sensitive.



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Version 6.06.0.08

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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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
549883	Completed	2023/01/27	Edit	Verify	Preview

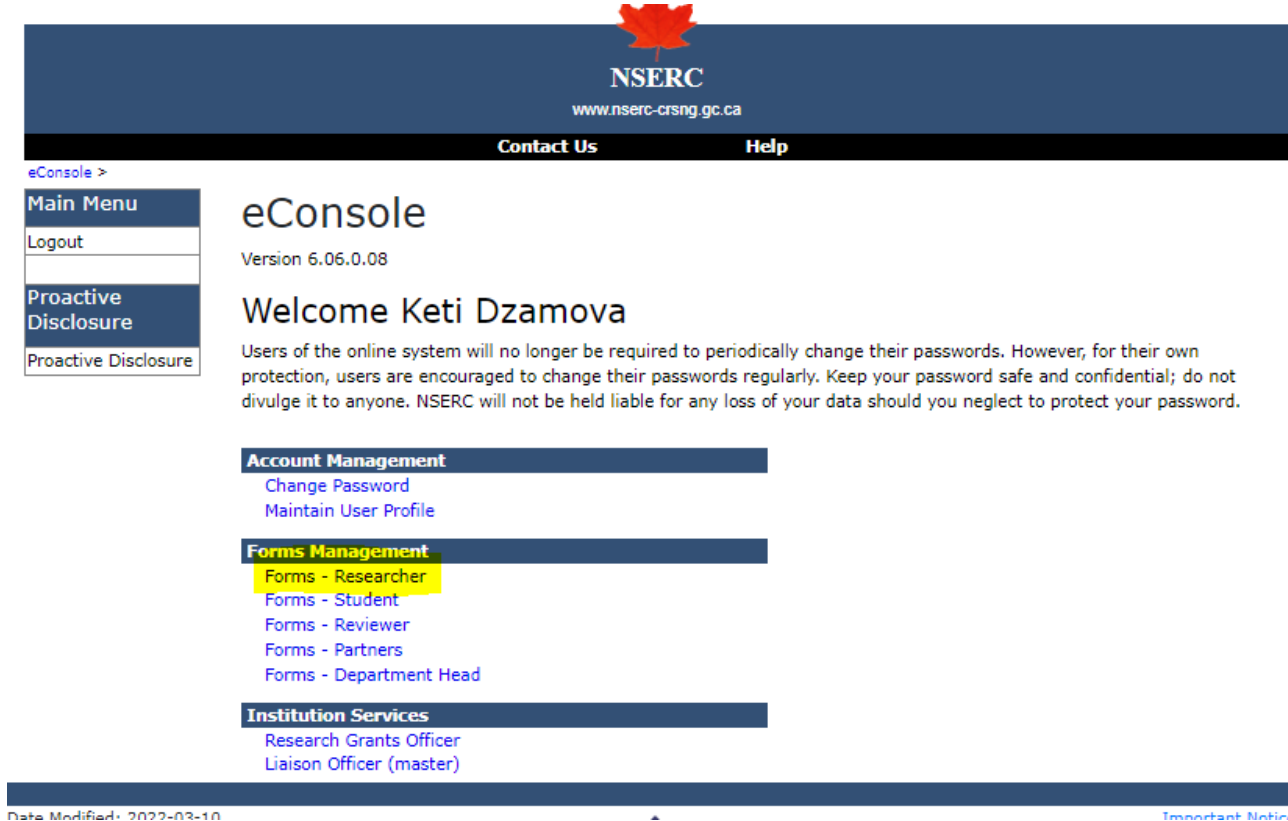
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 Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada		Conseil de recherches en sciences naturelles et en génie du Canada		
FORM 202 - PART I Application for an Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA) or Experience Award				
Reference No. 225852		System-ID 150682616		
		Date 2020/2/19		
Family name of student Dzamova	Given name Keti	Initial(s) of all given names K	Personal Identification no. (PIN) Valid 381495	
ACADEMIC BACKGROUND (including ongoing postsecondary degree)				
Degree	Name of discipline	Institution	Department	Year and month of expected degree completion
Bachelor's	Specialist in Cell and Molecular Biology	Toronto	Biological Sciences (Scarborough)	2020/04
At the time of application, you are attending a postsecondary institution?				Have you ever held a USRA or Experience Award (previously IUSRA) in the past?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> full time? <input type="checkbox"/> part time?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER AWARDS RECEIVED (start with most recent and include NSERC awards)				
Name of award	Location of tenure	Period held (yyyy/mm - yyyy/mm)		
OTHER INFORMATION				
Citizenship <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canadian citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent resident (Indicate date of landing as stated on official immigration document)				
Language of correspondence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> French		Consent to sharing information for joint-funding opportunity <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Current address 12 Queen's Park Crescent 3rd Floor Toronto ON M5S1A8 CANADA		Permanent mailing address (if different from current address) 12 Queen's Park Cres Toronto ON M5S1S8 CANADA		
If current address is temporary, indicate leaving date		Telephone number at permanent mailing address 1-416-9787118		
Telephone number at current address 1-416-9787118		E-mail address m.folinas@utoronto.ca		

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Step 1b: NSERC On-Line System Form 202 Part II



The screenshot shows the NSERC eConsole website. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the NSERC logo (a red maple leaf) and the text "NSERC" and "www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca". Below the header, there are two links: "Contact Us" and "Help".

The main content area is titled "eConsole" and includes the version number "Version 6.06.0.08". A welcome message reads: "Welcome Keti Dzamova". Below this, a paragraph states: "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."

On the left side, there is a navigation menu with the following items:

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- Proactive Disclosure

The main content area is organized into three sections:

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- Institution Services**
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At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the text "Data Modified: 2022-03-10" on the left and "Important Notices" on the right.

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

Click on a form number to access your applications (see [Security Statement](#) and [Access to Information Act and Privacy Act](#) for detailed information).

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Project Profile >

Form	<h3>Form 202 Part II - Project Profile</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">Program Undergraduate Student Research Awards</p> <p>Student name <input type="text" value="Dzamova, Keti"/></p> <p>Student Reference Number <input type="text" value="549883"/></p> <p>Proposed work term <input type="text" value="Summer"/> Year <input type="text" value="2023"/> yyyy</p> <p>Title of proposed research project <input type="text" value="Test USRA"/> (100 chars)</p> <p>Research subject code <input type="text" value="Use the 'List...!' button"/> <input type="button" value="List..."/></p> <p>Application language English <input checked="" type="radio"/> French <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Institution that will administer the award <input type="text" value="University of Toronto (NSERC,SSHRC,CIHR)"/> <input type="button" value="List..."/></p> <p>Department <input type="text" value="Research Services, Office of (NSERC)"/></p>
Project Profile	
Supervisor Profile	
Current Employment	
Outline of Proposed Research Project	
Preview Student's Form (Part I)	
University Comments	

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FORM 202 - PART II			
Application for an Undergraduate Student Research Award			System ID 531557648
In accordance with the <i>Privacy Act</i> , this information will be accessible to the student. Read the instructions before you complete this application.			Date 2023/02/03
Family name of student/Reference No. Dzamova/549883	Given name Keti	Initial(s) of all given names DZK	
Name and title of proposed supervisor Keating, Jessica / 405100 Professor		Email of proposed supervisor jessica.keating@utoronto.ca	
Institution/Organization that will administer the award University of Toronto (NSERC, SSHRC, CIHR)		Department Research Services, Office of (CRSNG)	
Personal identification no. (PIN) (proposed supervisor) Valid 405100	Telephone 416-9467517	Proposed Start Date 2023/05/01	
PROPOSED RESEARCH PROJECT			
Title of proposed research project Test USRA			Research subject code 2108
Outline of proposed research project <p>Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet. Est voluptatibus nobis est voluptas facere vel dicta omnis. Qui culpa ullam quo suscipit dolore ea nihil magni! Quo enim pariatum eum fugiat aliquam eum dolore perspicatis eos ipsum cupiditate quo deleniti voluptas a architecto quibusdam qui nihil omnis.</p> <p>Id rerum provident aut autem repellat sed error dolore et consequatur impedit sed velit eius a voluptatem omnis et unde exercitationem. Sit officiis magnam et nisi magnam non ratione minima qui accusamus fugiat et corporis eligendi ut consectetur quas qui laboriosam quaerat.</p> <p>Vel adipisci internos est Quis dolore aut facilis maiores rem provident consectetur ut autem eaque. Et ducimus aliquam est quas dolore qui voluptatibus repellendus.</p> <p>Ut ipsum culpa eum Quis eius ut saepe vero ut recusandae veniam. Ex quisquam veniam aut obcaecati commodi ut facere itaque. Ut blanditiis omnis id optio voluptate vel laudantium consequatur est architecto illo est cumque deserunt quo adipisci voluptatem. Et adipisci quia a autem quos est aspernatur quisquam est dicta beatae.</p>			
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Form 202 Part II - Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)

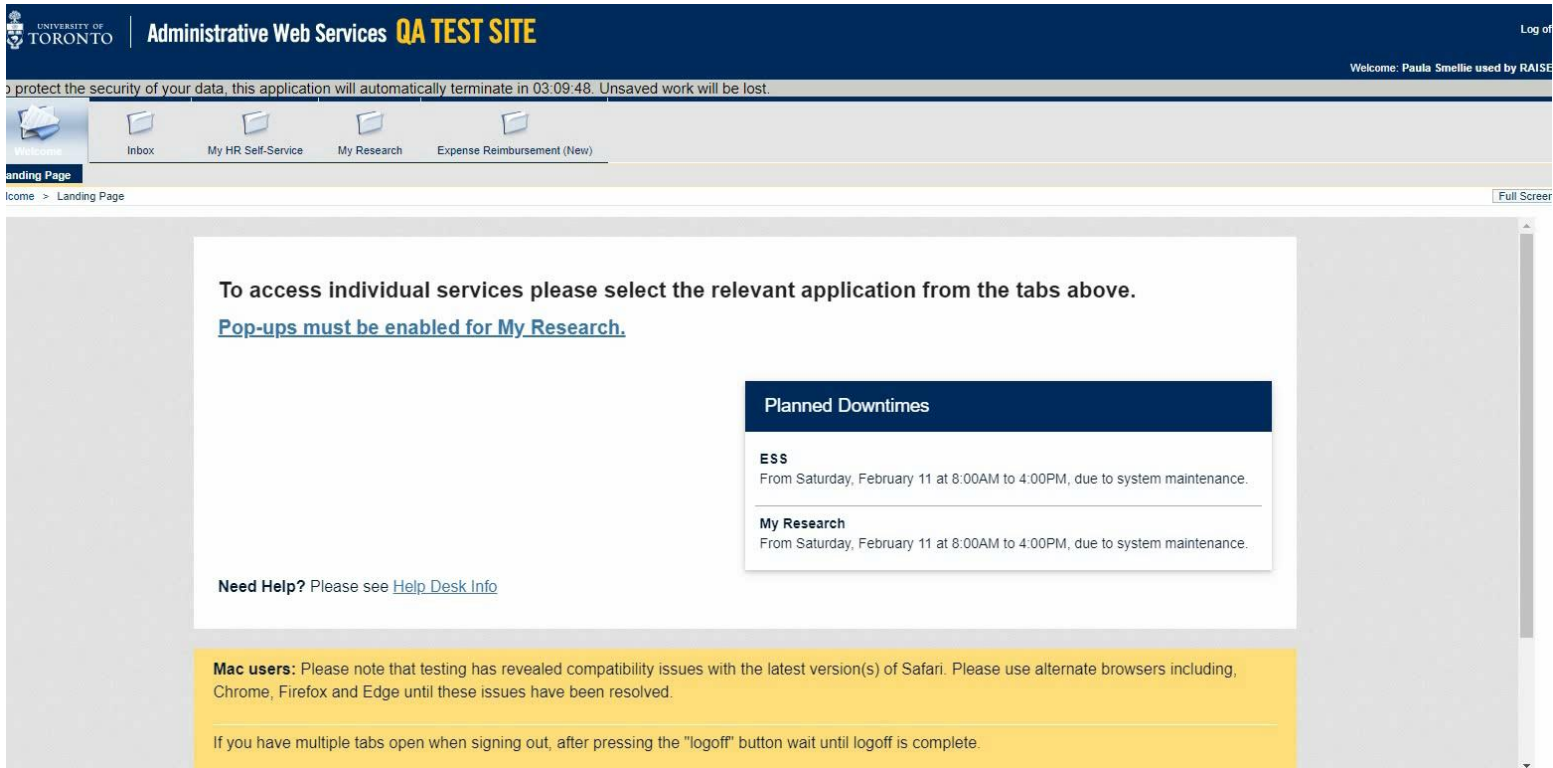
1. Select **Verify** to ensure your application is complete (status will appear as Completed).
2. **Submit** your application to your institution for approval (status will appear as Submitted). This action is the equivalent of you signing the application. Refer to [Electronic Submission of Applications](#).
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

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Step 2: Department MRA

2.1 PI Submission



The screenshot shows the landing page of the University of Toronto's Administrative Web Services QA TEST SITE. The page features a dark blue header with the university logo and navigation tabs for 'Welcome', 'Inbox', 'My HR Self-Service', 'My Research', and 'Expense Reimbursement (New)'. A central white box contains instructions on how to access services and a 'Planned Downtimes' section listing maintenance for ESS and My Research on February 11. A yellow footer box provides browser compatibility information for Mac users.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | Administrative Web Services **QA TEST SITE** Log out

Welcome: Paula Smellie used by RAISE

To protect the security of your data, this application will automatically terminate in 03:09:48. Unsaved work will be lost.

Welcome | Inbox | My HR Self-Service | My Research | Expense Reimbursement (New)

Landing Page Full Screen

Home > Landing Page

To access individual services please select the relevant application from the tabs above.
[Pop-ups must be enabled for My Research.](#)

Planned Downtimes

ESS
From Saturday, February 11 at 8:00AM to 4:00PM, due to system maintenance.

My Research
From Saturday, February 11 at 8:00AM to 4:00PM, due to system maintenance.

Need Help? Please see [Help Desk Info](#)

Mac users: Please note that testing has revealed compatibility issues with the latest version(s) of Safari. Please use alternate browsers including, Chrome, Firefox and Edge until these issues have been resolved.

If you have multiple tabs open when signing out, after pressing the "logoff" button wait until logoff is complete.

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Step 2: Department MRA 2.2 Business Officer Task

Options ▾

My Applications (71)

Use Filter Bar to find existing documents:

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AR Number:

International Partner:

PI Name:

RIS Application #:

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Student Name:

Submit Date:

Title:

My Applications Enter Title or Sponsor or Program 🔍

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AR Num/Title	RIS #	Sponsor/Program	Status	Approvers	Admin Unit	PI Submit Date	PI Name	International Partner	Student Name
<input type="radio"/> 70005204 USRA Demo	223802	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC)/Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)	Submitted by PI	Paula Smellie used by RAISE	Dept of Physiology - Temerty Faculty of Medicine	Feb 21, 2023	Dr Agnus Day used by RAISE	No	Stephen Singh >
<input type="radio"/> 70005203 USRA Demo	223801	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC)/Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)	Approved by Business Officer	Scott Heximer used by RAISE	Dept of Physiology - Temerty Faculty of Medicine	Feb 21, 2023	Dr Agnus Day used by RAISE	No	Stephen Singh >
<input type="radio"/> 70005202 USRA Demo	223800	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC)/Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)	Approved by Business Officer	Scott Heximer used by RAISE	Dept of Physiology - Temerty Faculty of Medicine	Feb 21, 2023	Dr Agnus Day used by RAISE	No	Stephen Singh >

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

