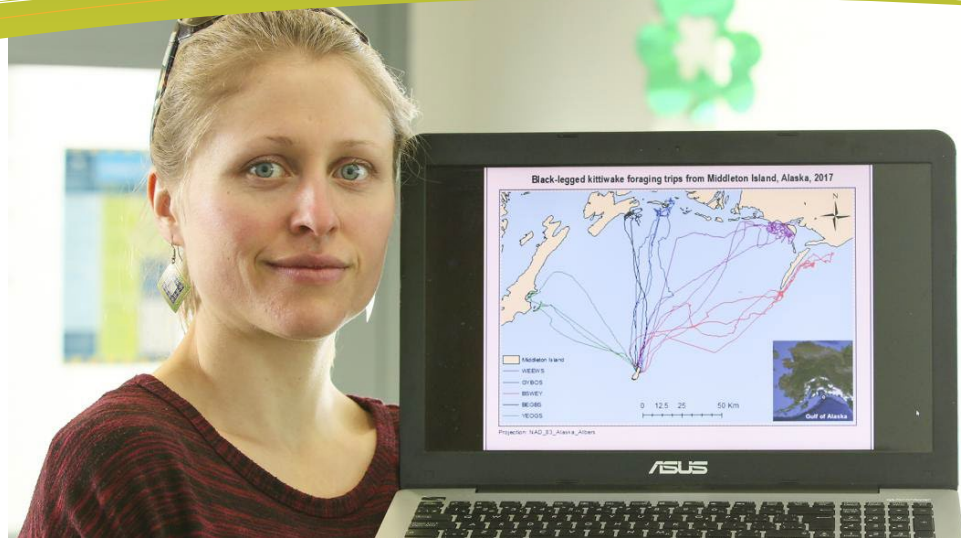


Amplify Grants



Application Deadline:

April 18 @ midnight

October 31 @ midnight

If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday applications are due the following Monday.

Eligibility

All VIU faculty (full time, part time and sessional) are eligible to apply for this grant if they do not have any outstanding reports on previous grants. Priority is given to those who have not received funding in the previous year.

Value

Up to \$2000

Duration

1 year

Adjudicated by:

Vancouver Island University Research Awards Committee (VIURAC)

Supporting the amplification of knowledge in society

In today's society, knowledge mobilization is amplified significantly when shared in digital form. VIU is committed to supporting its faculty and students to move their research and creative activity into the public realm. The Amplify Grants are part of a new suite of programs to support the realization of the Scholarship, Research and Creative Activity Plan (2017-22).

The **Amplify Grants** are expected to support the **Communicate** objective of this plan. They are intended to enable VIU faculty to amplify their research and creative activity through the development of web, social media, and digital sharing of research knowledge in innovative ways that reach beyond face-to-face methods. These grants provide short-term and timely support to share insights gained from research undertaken by VIU faculty and students and to enhance VIU's digital research footprint. These awards will result in greater awareness of the research being done at VIU and enable greater access to the knowledge that is being created here.

The source of funding for these awards includes: 1) Vancouver Island University and 2) the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) through the SSHRC Exchange Grants and the SSHRC Institutional Grant programs, 3) National Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) through the General Research Fund (GRF). The allocation of funding from the SSHRC Exchange Grant will only be provided to SSHRC eligible faculty and NSERC GRF will only be provided to NSERC eligible faculty whereas the VIU portion can fund all other disciplines. The VIURAC committee has the ability to reallocate funding for any of the grants it adjudicates, depending on the quantity and quality of submissions received.

Application Instructions



Need assistance with your proposal?

Contact one of VIU's Grant Facilitators

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Application Instructions

Eligible Expenses

- 1 Wages or compensation for students.
- 2 Costs associated to web design, content production, archiving, maintenance or hosting.
- 3 Costs associated to open access publications.
- 4 Other costs associated to digital sharing will be considered.
- 5 Equipment may be eligible if well justified. Any equipment purchased must be made available to other VIU faculty for research projects.

Ineligible Expenses

- 1 Travel expenses.
- 2 Meetings or gatherings.
- 3 Print materials, publications or signage.

Criteria for Evaluation

Knowledge mobilization strategy (60%)

1. Goals and objectives of the project are clearly articulated;
2. The knowledge that will be shared is clearly articulated and has originated from VIU faculty and students scholarship, research or creative activity.
3. The audiences that will benefit from the amplification of knowledge are identified and strategies to ensure they are reached.
4. The type of digital sharing to be done is described with rationale to support why it is timely or important for them to meet.
5. There is potential for the project to enhance the digital footprint for the researcher, center, institute or lab and VIU.

Feasibility and reach (20%)

1. Likelihood that the proposed objectives will be met within the timeline.
2. Evidence of strategies to ensure that the digital sharing and content will be sustained over time (3 year time frame at minimum).
3. Appropriateness of the proposed budget and justification of resources. *Refer to eligible expenses on the application form.*

Capability of the Team (10%)

1. Evidence that the project team has adequate expertise to guide the project to a successful outcome.
2. Clarity of roles and responsibilities for the team members is evidenced in the workplan.

Engagement of VIU students (10%)

1. VIU students are not required to be involved in projects, however, projects that provide meaningful engagement of at least one VIU student are strongly encouraged to help build capacity in knowledge mobilization.

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Proposal components:

1. Abstract (300 words) ready for sharing publicly on the web if funded.
2. Project description (max 4 pages) that includes:
 - a) description of the research and knowledge that will be mobilized,
 - b) description of the audiences that will be reached, c) the type of digital sharing that will be done, d) anticipated outcomes and impacts.
3. Budget and justification (max 1 page).
4. Project team (max 1 page) and their roles in the project.
5. Supporting references.
6. Combine all documents into one PDF and submit using [ROMEIO](#).

