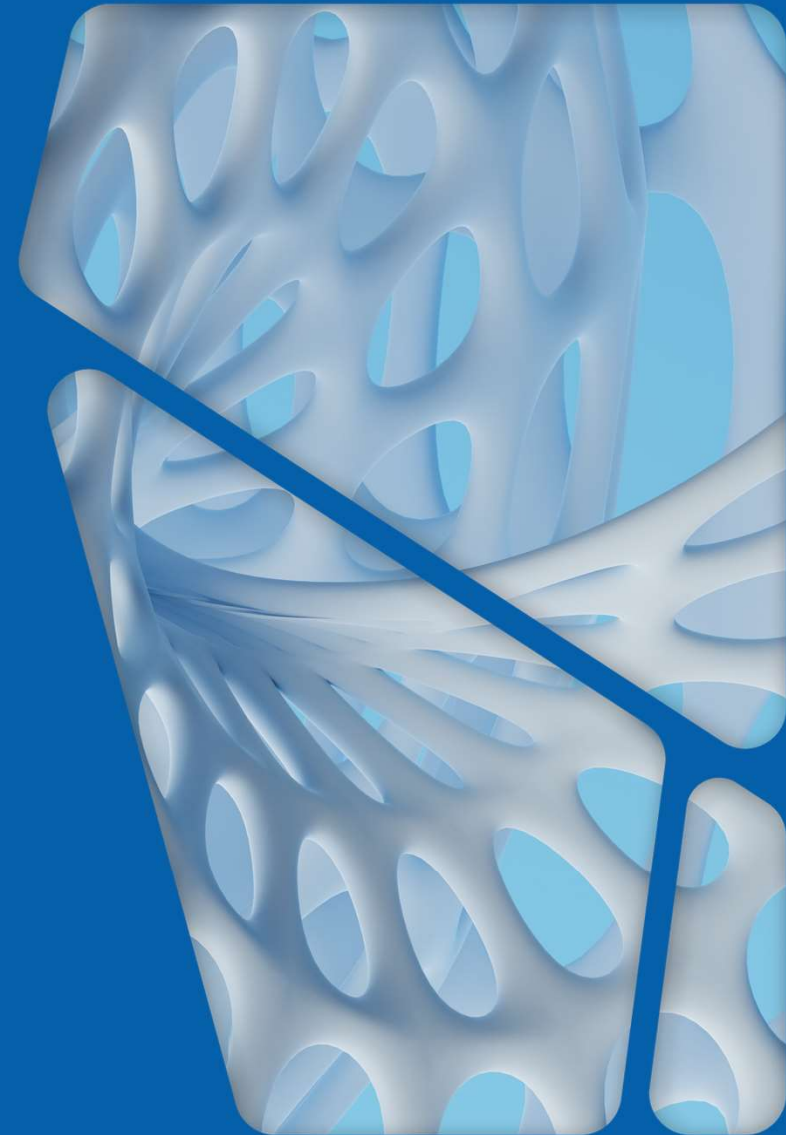




Mitacs Application Process: A Practical Guide to Successful Applications

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Purpose

Mitacs empowers Canadian innovation through partnerships that deliver solutions to our most pressing problems. We drive economic growth, productivity, and meaningful change to improve quality of life for all Canadians.

Vision

Canadian innovation will create change that transforms the world.

Mission

Mitacs is a catalyzing force in the Canadian innovation ecosystem. We will build a world-class, diverse community of innovators through our collaborative model, attracting and deploying top talent to industry, and matching need with expertise to create ambitious solutions to real-world challenges.



Bringing innovation into reach
for more people in more places through
access to top researchers, flexible
project plans, and co-investment in
talent.



We fund the entire innovation spectrum



RESEARCH

Accelerate & Elevate

- ✓ National & International Collaborations
- ✓ Projects involving academic and non-academic organizations
- ✓ Entrepreneurial arm
- ✓ All sectors/disciplines



INNOVATION & DEVELOPMENT

Business Strategy Internship

- ✓ National collaborations
- ✓ Projects involving academic and non-academic organizations
- ✓ All sectors/disciplines



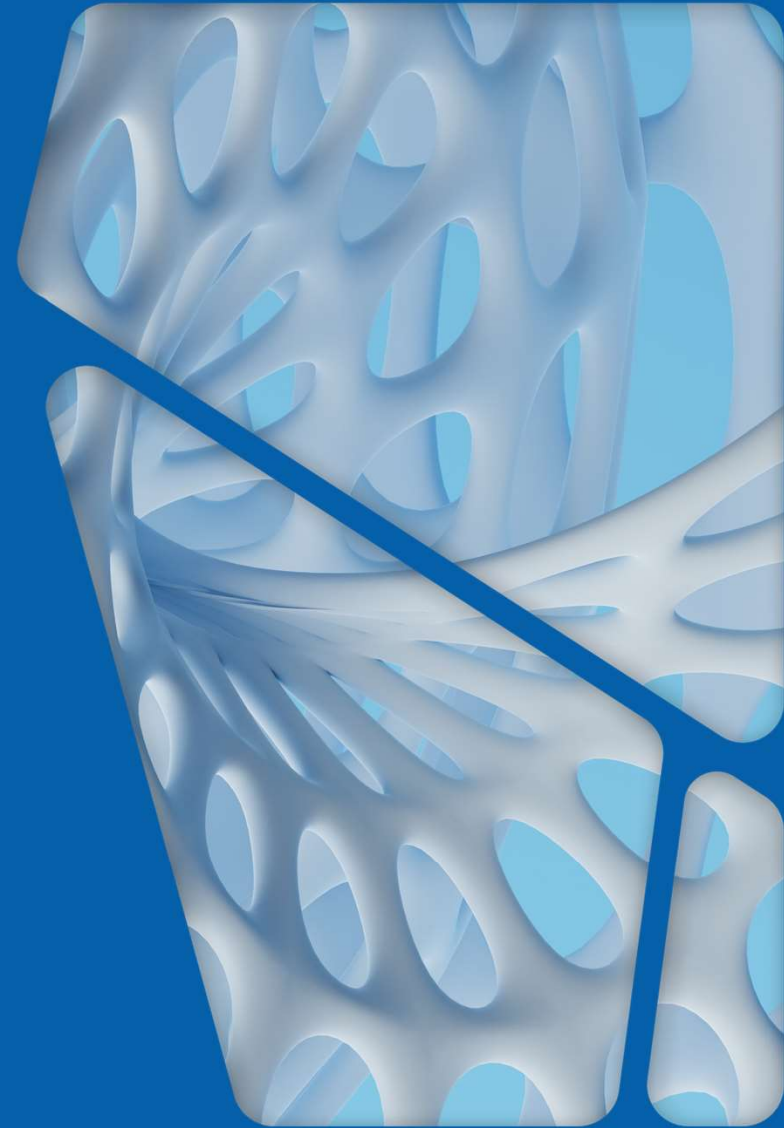
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Globalink

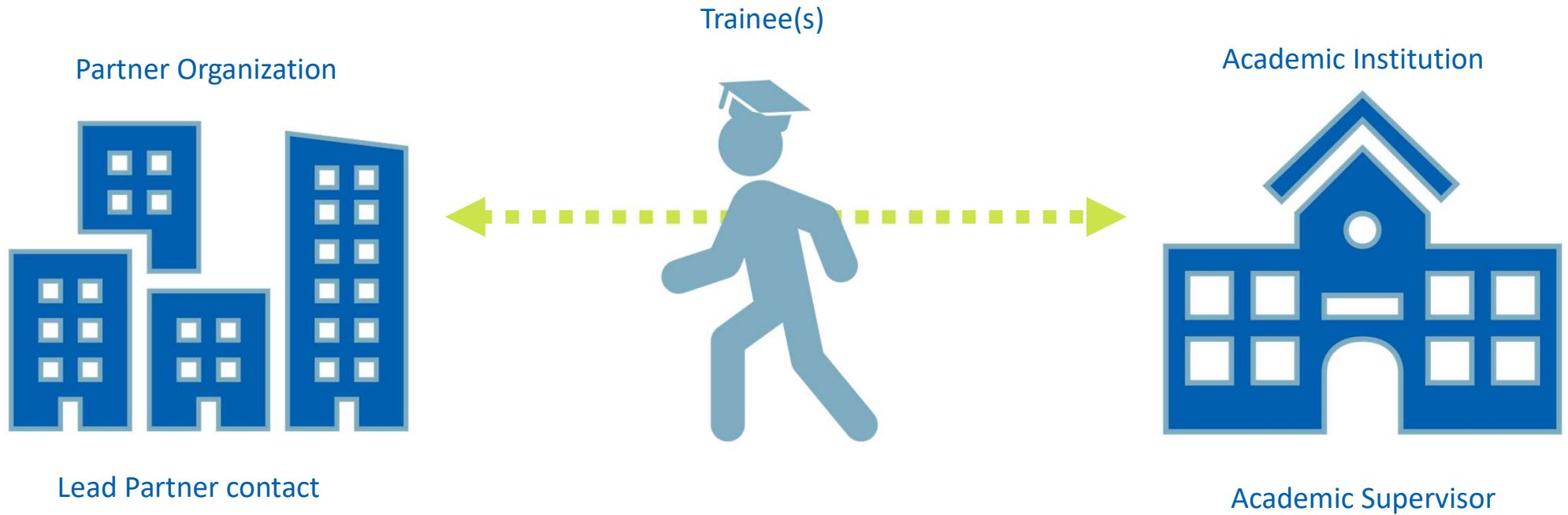
- ✓ International research collaborations with academia
- ✓ Bi-mobility of students/HQP
- ✓ All sectors/disciplines



Eligibility of Key Stakeholders in Application Development



Collaboration: *how does it work?*



Trainee's time divided to leverage resources & expertise available at both sites enabling them to do more than either could on their own

Mitacs Program Requirements

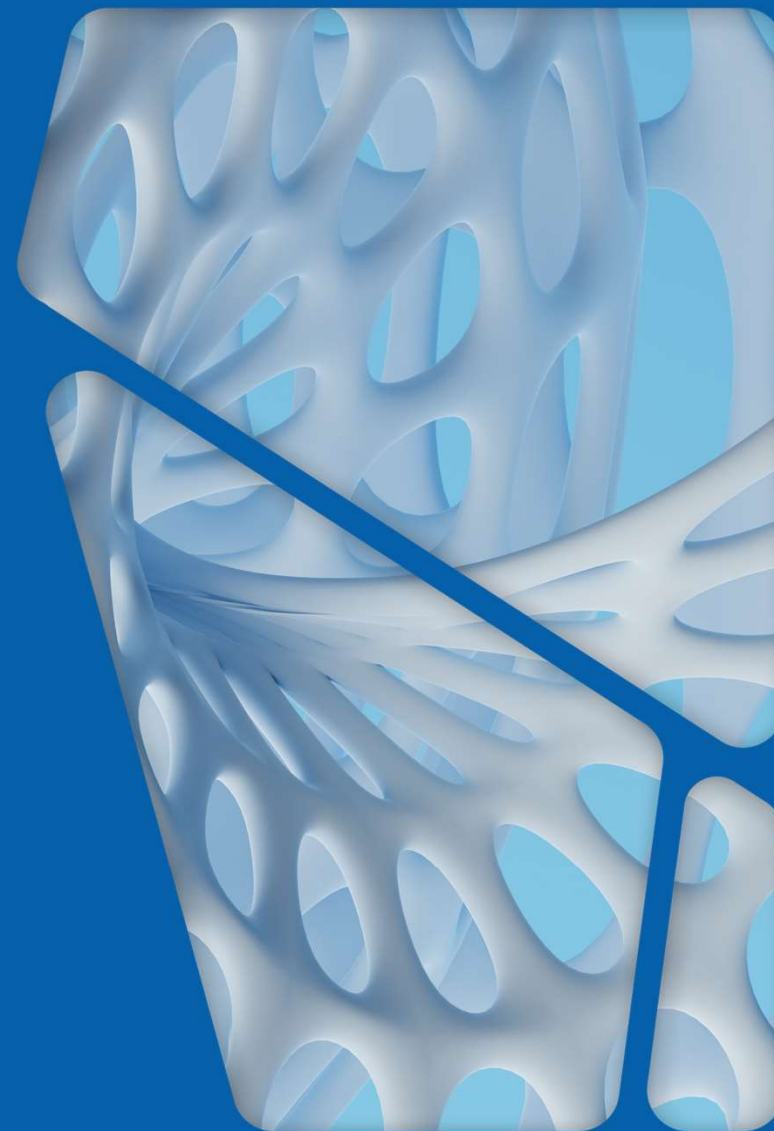
- Industry-collaborative research projects
- Eligible partner required: for-profit, eligible NFPs, municipalities & hospitals
- Industry **cash is a must**
- Internship unit (IU) =4 -6 months
- Each IU= \$10/\$15k per student
- PDFs now gets \$20k/IU

Mitacs Application Pathways

- **Digital Pathway:**
 - Newest: Mitacs Plus
 - RAP application process
- **Non-Digital Pathway:**
 - Application PDF with multiple researchers
 - NSERC-Mitacs joint
 - e-Accelerate,
 - Indigenous Pathway



Mitacs-NSERC Alliance Joint Program



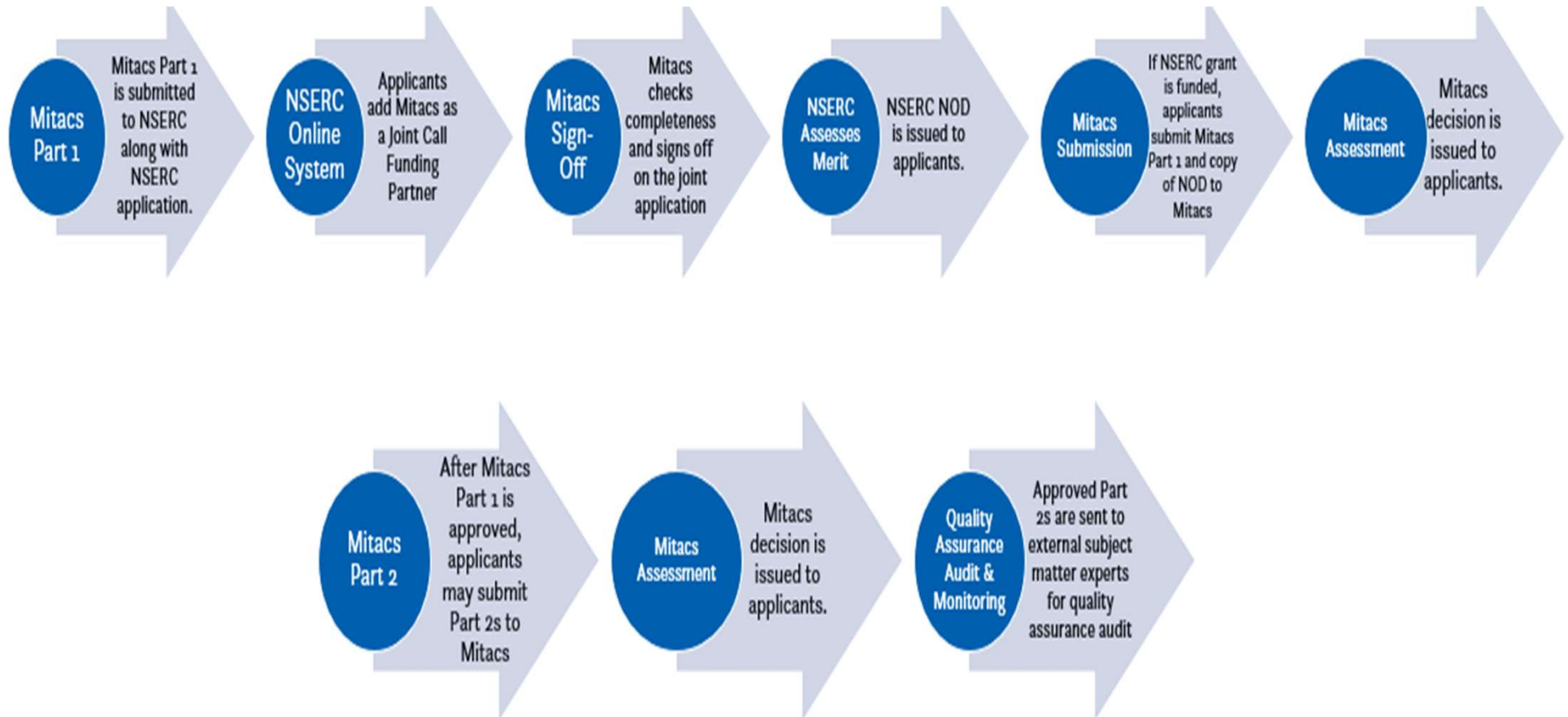
Eligibility Requirements

- For NSE disciplines
- NSERC Advantage (Alliance) Option 1 only
- New submission only
- Can be individual or multiple applicants
- EDI reflection required

The New Application Process

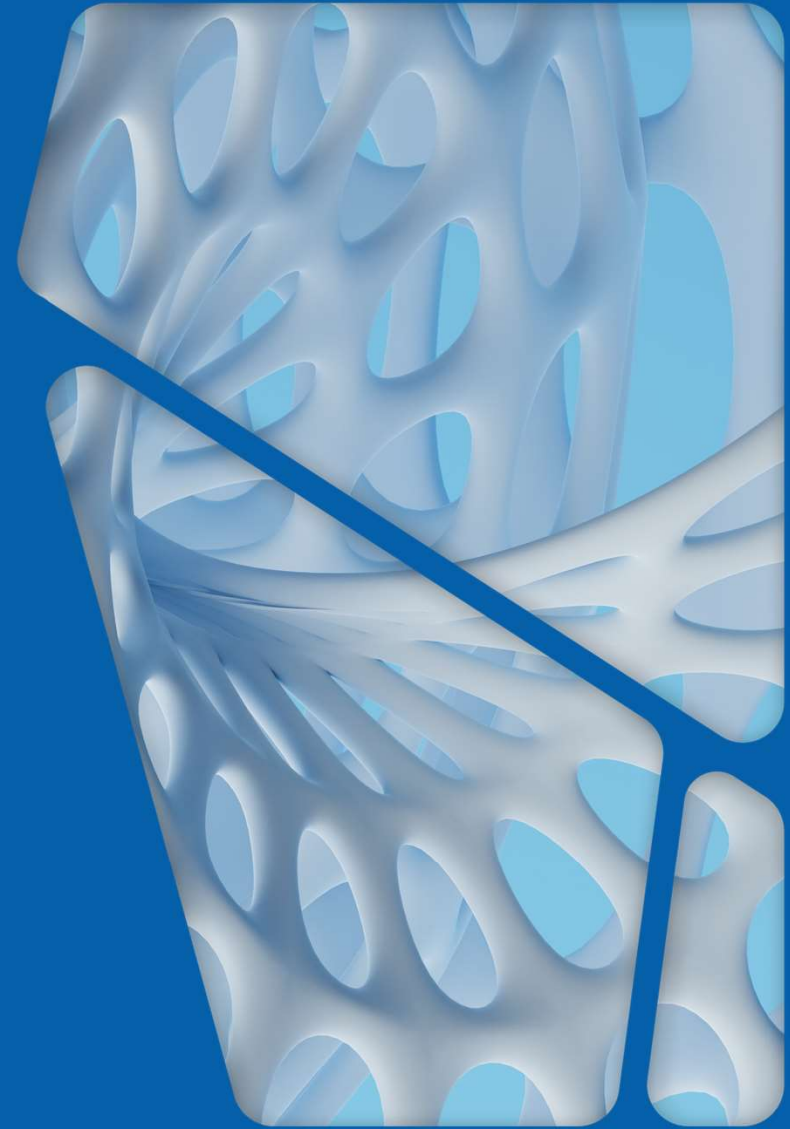
- NSERC-Mitacs joint is now in 2 parts:
- Part 1 : Pre-NSERC Approval
- Part 2: Intern Activation
- No more deadline for the 2 parts

New Application Flow Process





Funding Model



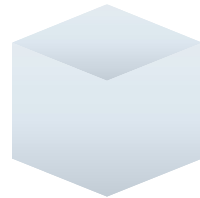
Accelerate funding model



10K or 15K or \$20k per block working budget

Co- investment
from partner

Co-investment
from Mitacs



4-6 months per block

2/3

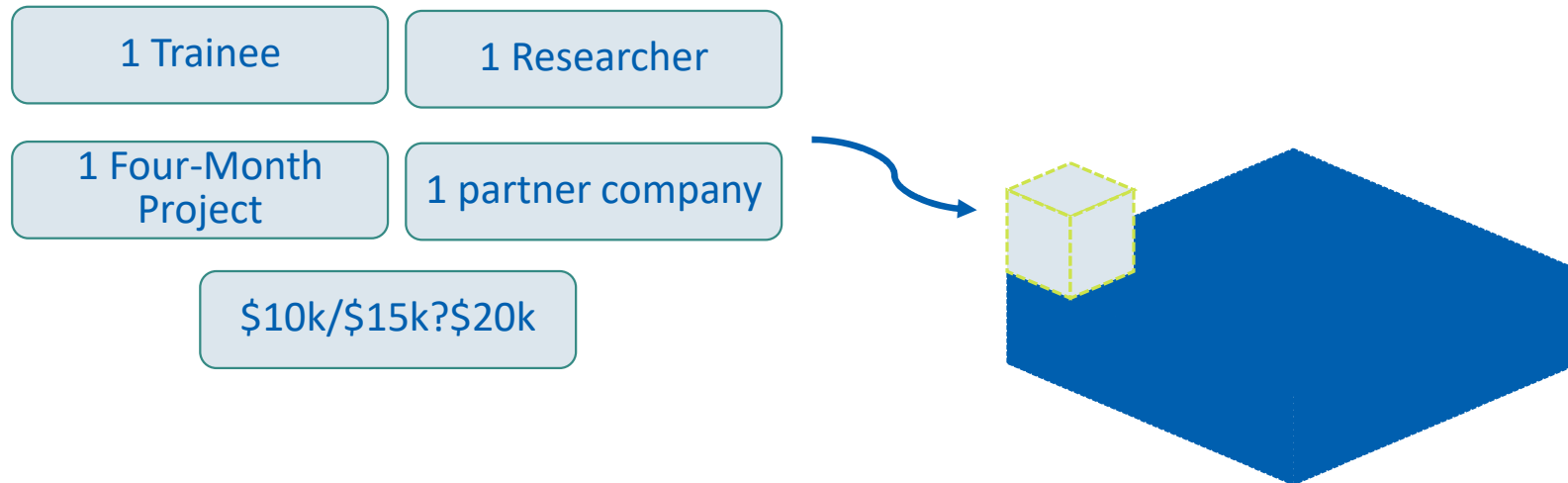
Stipend
\$

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Flex funds
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We are flexible!

Start small...



We are flexible!



As many blocks as needed (concurrently or sequentially)



Tackle more complex projects & achieve long term goals



Set up talent pipeline

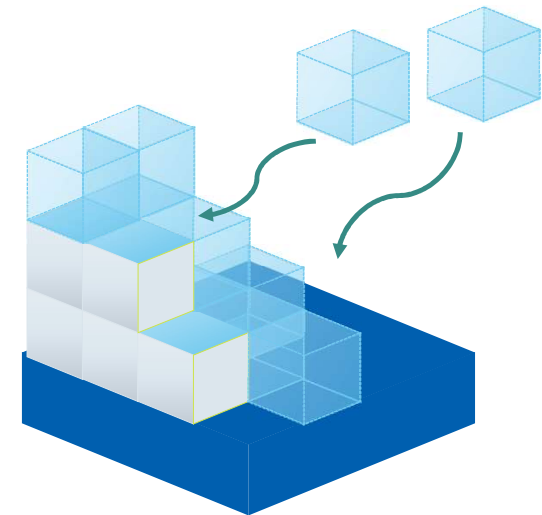
and scale up...



Multi-intern and/or multi-year project that aligns with your challenge and R&D roadmap

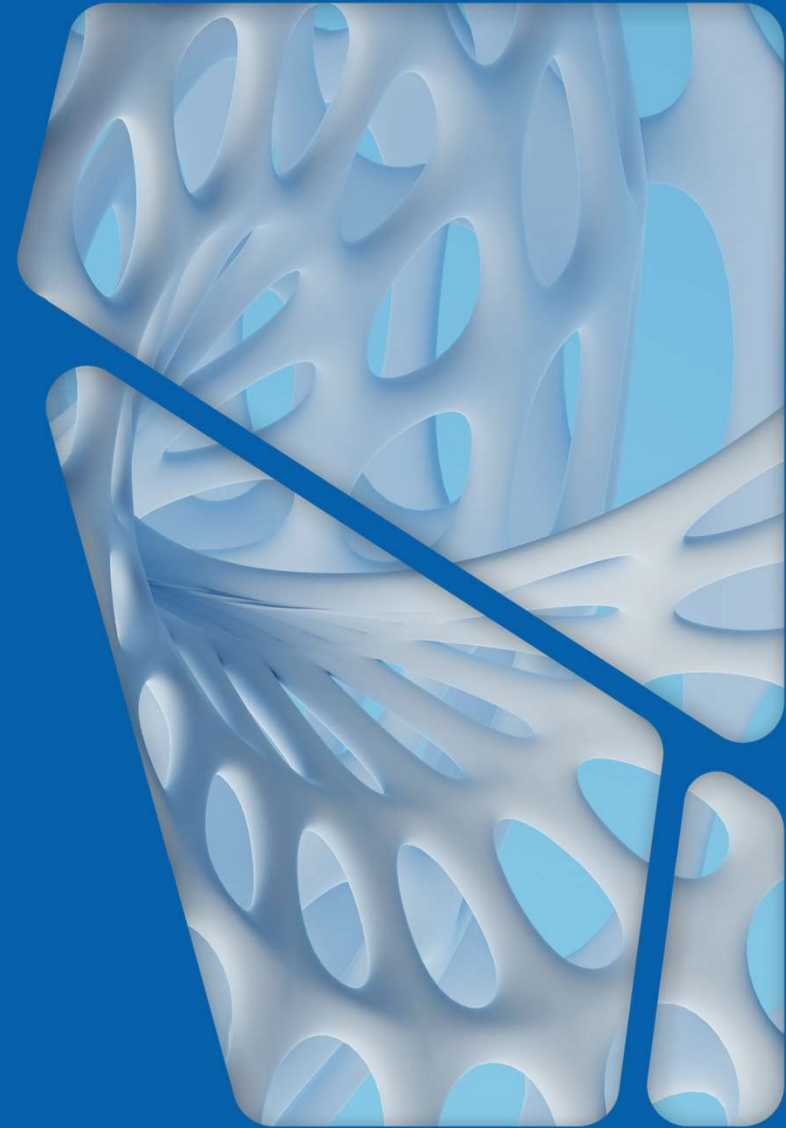


Add multiple partner companies, researchers across Canada and internationally*





Key Requirements for a Successful Application



Checklist for a Successful Mitacs Application

- Early engagement with Sherifat: Right application pathway
- Declare COI upfront & complete COI documents
- Mention if Fund already in the university: Additional document & Tax required, & Overhead cost
- Ensure completeness of the application: Get all signatures including RSO (5-business days)
- For project >6IUs PI's CV required

Variation in Application Turnaround Times

- **Mitacs Applications**

- Standard Accelerate: Average of 3 months
- Business Strategy Internship: 8-10 weeks
- Mitacs GRA: Average of 16 weeks

- **Mitacs Joints Application:**

- For NSERC-Mitacs Part 1: No definite turnaround time
- For Mitacs Sign-Off of Part 1: 10-15 business days
- Post NSERC Approval: For Mitacs Part 1 & NSERC NOD approval
- Intern Activation/Part 2 submission: 4-6 weeks

Mitacs-UofA Canadian Net-Zero Energy Solutions (CANZES) Umbrella Program

- Any Accelerate application which falls under these 5 areas:
 - Hydrogen
 - Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage (CCUS)
 - Critical Minerals
 - Resilient Electrical Grids for Clean Energy and Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEVs)
 - Land and Water Reclamation
- Fast turnaround period: 4-6 weeks
- Less cumbersome application materials
- Past project: CNOOC Petroleum North America, Innova Technologies, WestMET Group, Greenfield Global, the City of Edmonton, and C-FER Technologies.
- Approval required from the CEMP team: Lee Kruszewski

Your Trusted Advisors



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