The Parex Resources Innovation Fellowship Program
Translating research into impact

The Parex Resources Innovation Fellowships were launched in 2019 for researchers from across the university who are immersed in academic research and community partnerships leading to start-ups or technology advancement based on new discoveries, insights, and innovation. These fellowships are supported by an endowment from alumnus Wayne Foo and Parex Resources Inc. with the goal of enabling researchers to focus on translating research results into societal impact.

Two types of fellowships are currently awarded on an annual basis to tenure-track/tenured faculty:

- Parex Resources Innovation Fellowships (5)
- Parex Resources Visiting Innovation Fellowship (1)

For 2022, each fellowship is valued at $20,000 over two years. The award can be used in support of research and innovation activities of the fellow or as travel support for the visiting innovation fellow. Teaching relief corresponding to a single half-course equivalent will be automatically awarded to successful candidates in the following faculties: Cummings, Haskayne, Kinesiology, Law, SAPL, Schulich, Science, Social Work, and Veterinary Medicine. Any additional funding used to obtain release from teaching must be supported by a letter of approval from a department head or dean.

Application Requirements

1. Title of project

2. Past innovation accomplishments
   - Provide a description of your innovation accomplishments including (but not limited to) partnership grants, start-ups, industry relationships, industry talks, patents/IP, etc. (5000 characters with spaces)

3. Innovation mentoring plan
   - Provide a description of how you will increase mentoring of HQP involved in innovation activities. Such mentoring activities can, for example, consist of working with students enrolled in entrepreneurial courses, serving as a mentor for the Hunter Hub, or engaging with student-based start-up companies. Note that continuing to supervise current graduate students is not sufficient to constitute a mentoring plan. (2500 characters with spaces)

4. Expected impacts
   - Provide a description of how the support provided by the Fellowship will create additional impact and how the funding will be used. (5000 characters with spaces)

5. Letters of support
   - Provide 1-3 letters of support from outside partners/customers/policy users (e.g. Innovate Calgary, an industry partner or an investor). (.pdf or .doc accepted)

6. Department Head/Dean Approval
   - If this fellowship being used to obtain release from teaching (e.g. a 1 HCE support) provide a note of approval from your department head or dean.
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How to apply
Complete the online application form: https://science.ucalgary.ca/parex-resources-innovation-fellowship-program.

The deadline for applications is Monday April 18, 2022 8:00am MST.