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### TD Bank Financial Group Grant for Health Sciences Interdisciplinary Research Fund Awards 2024 - 2025 Award Application

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#### SECTION 1: APPLICANT'S PERSONAL DATA

Name: (Surname, First Name, Initials)		Sex: (check)		Birth date:		
		Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Year	Month	Day
Canadian Social Insurance Number:		Citizenship:		Immigration Status in Canada: (check)		
				Canadian Citizen <input type="checkbox"/>	Student Visa <input type="checkbox"/>	
				Permanent Resident <input type="checkbox"/>	Working Visa <input type="checkbox"/>	
Complete mailing address:			Phone (work):			
			Phone (other):			
			Email:			



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## **SECTION 2: SIGNATURES**

The undersigned agree to, and accept, the general conditions governing any award made pursuant to the sponsorship of this application.

Signature of:	Printed Name	Date (YY/MM/DD)
Candidate:		
Supervisor:		
Department Head/Chair:		
Faculty Dean:		

## **SECTION 3: APPLICANTS DETAILS OF APPLICATION**



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**A. APPLICANT’S PAST AND CURRENT UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC STANDING AND STATUS – STATE CURRENT PROGRAM INFORMATION BELOW AND ATTACH PAST AND CURRENT TRANSCRIPTS (UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS WILL BE ACCEPTED)**

Current Program (Degree/Specialization):	Expected Program Completion Date: (YY/MM/DD)	Outcomes – thesis, Non-thesis paper, Portfolio, other:

**B. APPLICANT’S INTEREST IN INTERDISCIPLINARY HEALTH RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP**

Please describe your personal interest and goals concerning interdisciplinary health research, and particularly the health research area you are interested in pursuing. Maximum limit of 4000 characters (~500 words), using Arial 11pt font size.

Attach a [CIHR format Biosketch](#)

**SECTION 4: SUPERVISOR’S CONTRIBUTION TO APPLICATION**


- A. SUPERVISOR OF RESEARCH PROJECT – Attach a [CIHR format Biosketch](#)**
- B. LOCATION OF PROPOSED RESEARCH**

Proposed Supervisor: (Surname, First Name & Initial)	Period of Support: (YY/MM/DD to YY/MM/DD)
Complete Mailing Address: (include Research Group/Department/Faculty & Postal Code)	Telephone:



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	E-mail:

**SECTION 5: THE RESEARCH PROJECT (Applicant to complete)**

Please specify in the first line if you are applying to precision health or general award stream. Please summarize the interdisciplinary health research project in which you will be involved in. Also describe the interdisciplinary nature of the team involved in the project and the specific role of the candidate with the team and in the project (maximum limit of 12,000 characters (~1500 words) using Arial 11pt font size).

**SECTION 6: LETTER OF REFERENCE (Supervisor/Referee to complete)**

The letter of reference should be provided either by the Supervisor or another person who can comment on the candidate’s capabilities to be involved with an interdisciplinary team and actively participating in the health research project. The letter should provide considerable detail with examples of the candidate’s relative strengths including motivation and research experience, as well as the candidate’s competence/abilities in this area that support potential ongoing team-based health research scholarship. The letter should be signed and sent to CHS Office of Research [chsoor@ualberta.ca](mailto:chsoor@ualberta.ca) **separated from the complete application.**

Name of Reference: (Surname, First Name & Initial)	Relationship to applicant:
Telephone:	E-mail:

**PROJECT EVALUATION CRITERIA**

**Applications will be evaluated based on the following:**



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### General Criteria:

1. The application is complete with all signatures and includes the following attachments:
  - a. Candidate's past and up-to-date transcripts
  - b. Candidate's [CIHR format Biosketch](#).
  - c. Supervisor's [CIHR format Biosketch](#).
  - d. One (1) letter of reference (The letter should be signed and sent to CHS Office of Research [chsoor@ualberta.ca](mailto:chsoor@ualberta.ca) **separated from the complete application**).
2. The application must be submitted **no later than 4:00 pm on February 7, 2025**
3. The project is relevant to: a) health sciences interdisciplinary scholarship and collaboration (**2 awards**), and in the case of applying for one of the **2 awards** allotted to precision health research b) research on the emerging healthcare model that leverages a vast array of data, new technologies, and the study of factors such as genes and their expression (e.g., genomics, metabolomics), personal characteristics (e.g., diet/nutrition) and environmental exposures, to better predict, delay, understand and address diseases and disabilities of individuals, as well as the study of population data to deliver new approaches to health promotion, rehabilitation, and increased equity of health outcomes in populations.
4. The proposal is well written, and provides sufficient rationale and methodological detail.
5. An interdisciplinary research team identifies/describes its involvement with the candidate throughout the research project.

### Specific Criteria related to the Candidate:

1. The candidate meets the minimum expectations for applicants
  - Registered full-time in a graduate, post doctoral or fellowship program for the duration of the award.
  - A GPA of 3.5 or higher for the past 12 credits.
  - Interest in exploring opportunities to increase interdisciplinary or team-based scholarship in health research and/or collaborative practice in the healthcare system.
  - Has a Supervisor who holds an academic appointment from the University of Alberta and possesses a record of productive health-oriented research including peer reviewed grants, publications and conference presentations/abstracts.
  - Involvement in a health research project with an interdisciplinary focus and interdisciplinary team (i.e. cross-faculty or two or more health disciplines) relevant to Precision Health or another area of interdisciplinary inquiry.



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2. The candidate's role with the research team and the project are well described and appropriate.
3. The candidate describes interests in interdisciplinary health research that considers future opportunities.
4. The candidate's letter of reference is very positive and provides considerable detail about the candidate's relative strengths, research experience, and competence/abilities in this area.

**Specific Criteria related to the Supervisor:**

1. The candidate's supervisor has a good/strong and consistent track record of publications and has funds to support the research in which the candidate is involved.

**Ineligible applicants:**

1. Candidates with a GPA lower than 3.5 for the most recent 12 credits will be disqualified.
2. Candidates that hold more than \$20,000 in awards/scholarships by the beginning of the award (April 2025) will be disqualified.