

2026 Strategic SRC Initiative Fund Application

Deadline: Monday, March 9, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) EDT

Name of Principal Applicant:

Department/School:

Faculty:

Email Address:

Emerging Researcher/Scholar*:

Yes No

Title of Proposal:

Total Amount Requested (up to \$20,000):

\$

Applicants may choose to indicate that their project has an Indigenous focus. Such projects will be reviewed within the context of the [Guidelines for the merit review of Indigenous research](#).

The research has an Indigenous focus: Yes No

Will your project involve humans, the use of animals, controlled goods or hazardous materials?

Yes No

If yes, the project will require ethics review and approval. For further information, see the [research ethics website](#).

I certify that this proposal does not hold any internal or external funding, and the information provided in this application is true and verifiable.

Yes, I confirm.

Date

* For the definition of Emerging Researcher/Scholar, refer to the [2026 Strategic SRC Initiative Fund Guidelines](#).

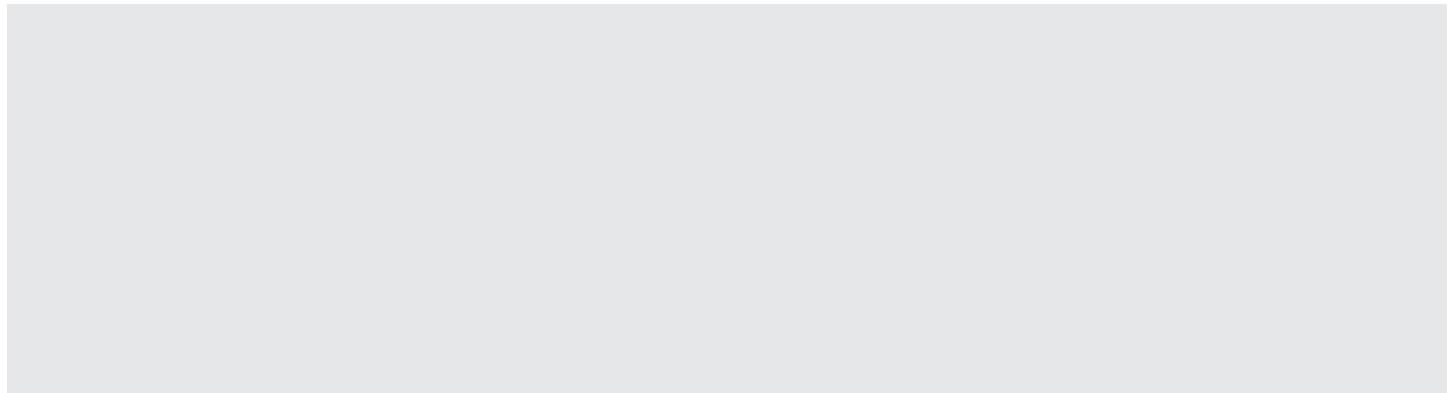
Formatting your application

Applications will only be accepted if submitted through this fillable PDF form. Please note you will have to *carefully* copy and paste your text onto the form – the text will not automatically flow between pages.

Abstract

The abstract should be free of technical jargon and clearly describe the proposal and its potential impact.

(Max. 100 words)



Project Description

Projects should be described in enough detail to allow informed assessment by the Strategic SRC Initiative Fund Review Committee members. Because some committee members may not have an intimate knowledge of the subject matter of all proposals, please avoid jargon and highly technical content.

(Max. 1500 words)

The project description must include the following sections:

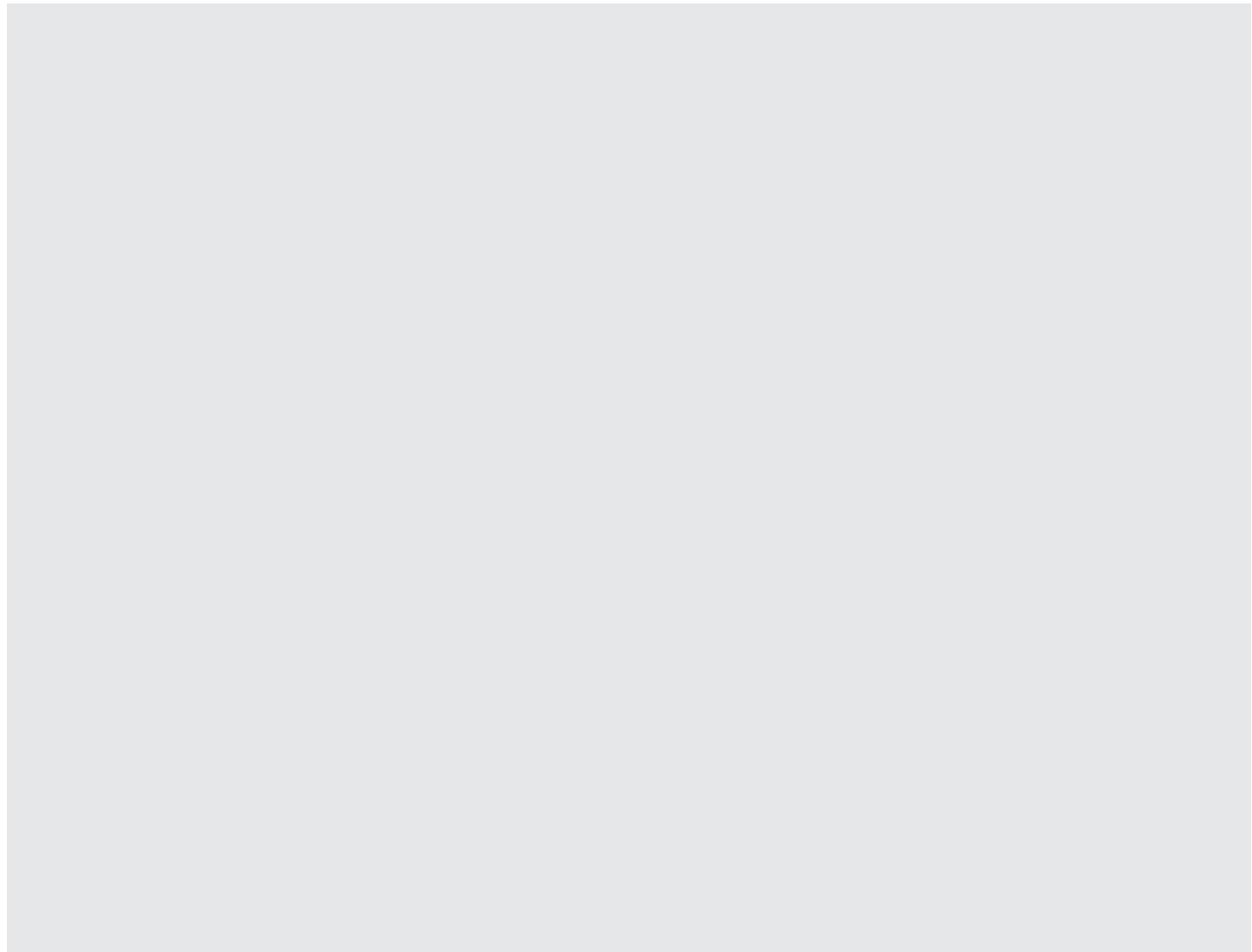
Objectives - The specific nature and objectives of the SRC project, and how it is advancing the objectives of the fund.

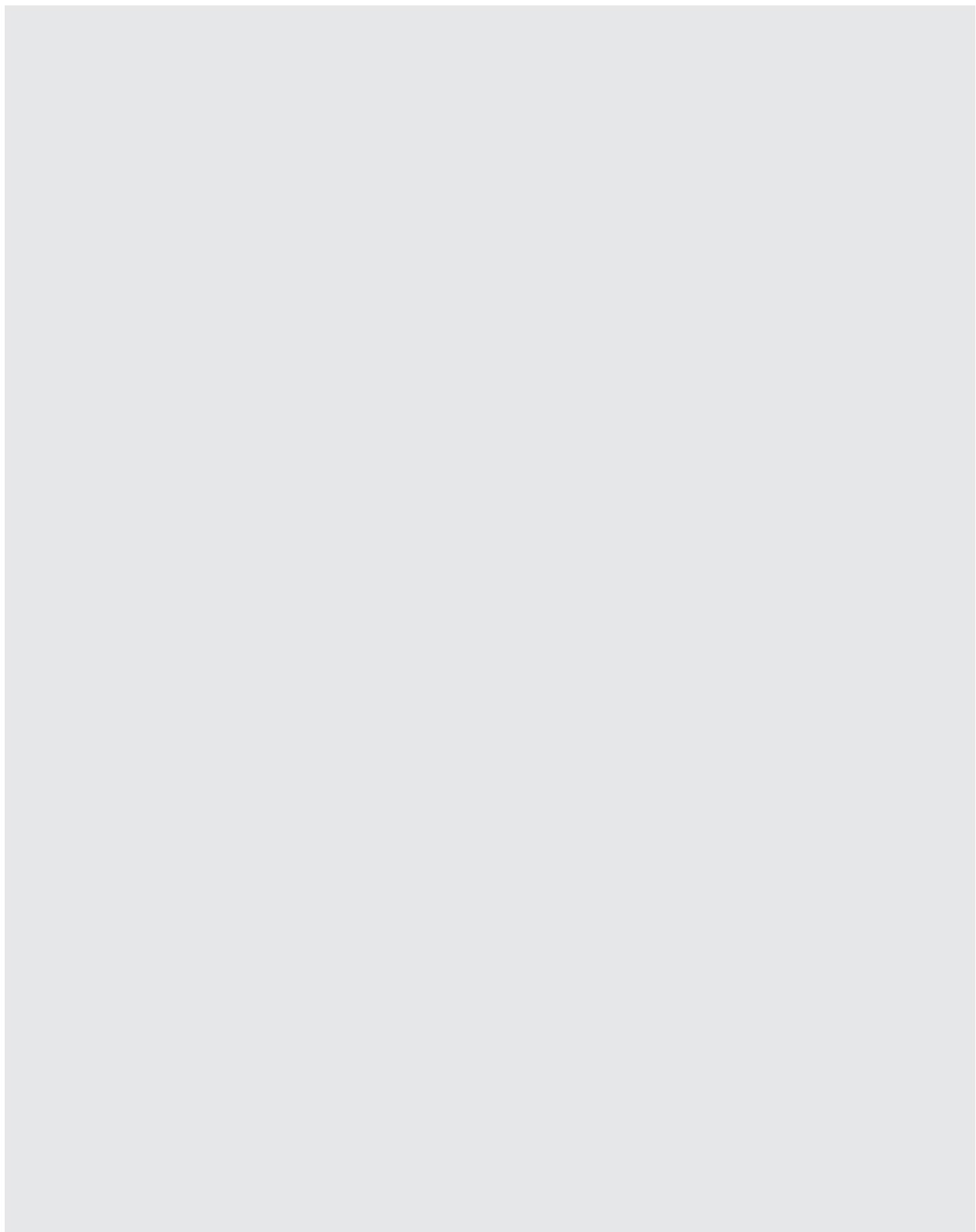
Context - A brief literature review to situate the proposed project and, as appropriate, its theoretical approach. The context should also include the project's relevance, potential impacts and/or contributions to the respective field of study, including how the proposal aligns with the university's [Strategic Research Plan 2025-2030 \(SRP\)](#).

Methods - The methods to be employed, and any related data collection, analysis and data management strategies.

Timeline - The time period within which the work will be undertaken.

Optional - Visual items such as timelines, graphs, and imagery may be uploaded to your GAF separately as an appendix (maximum two pages of appendix items).

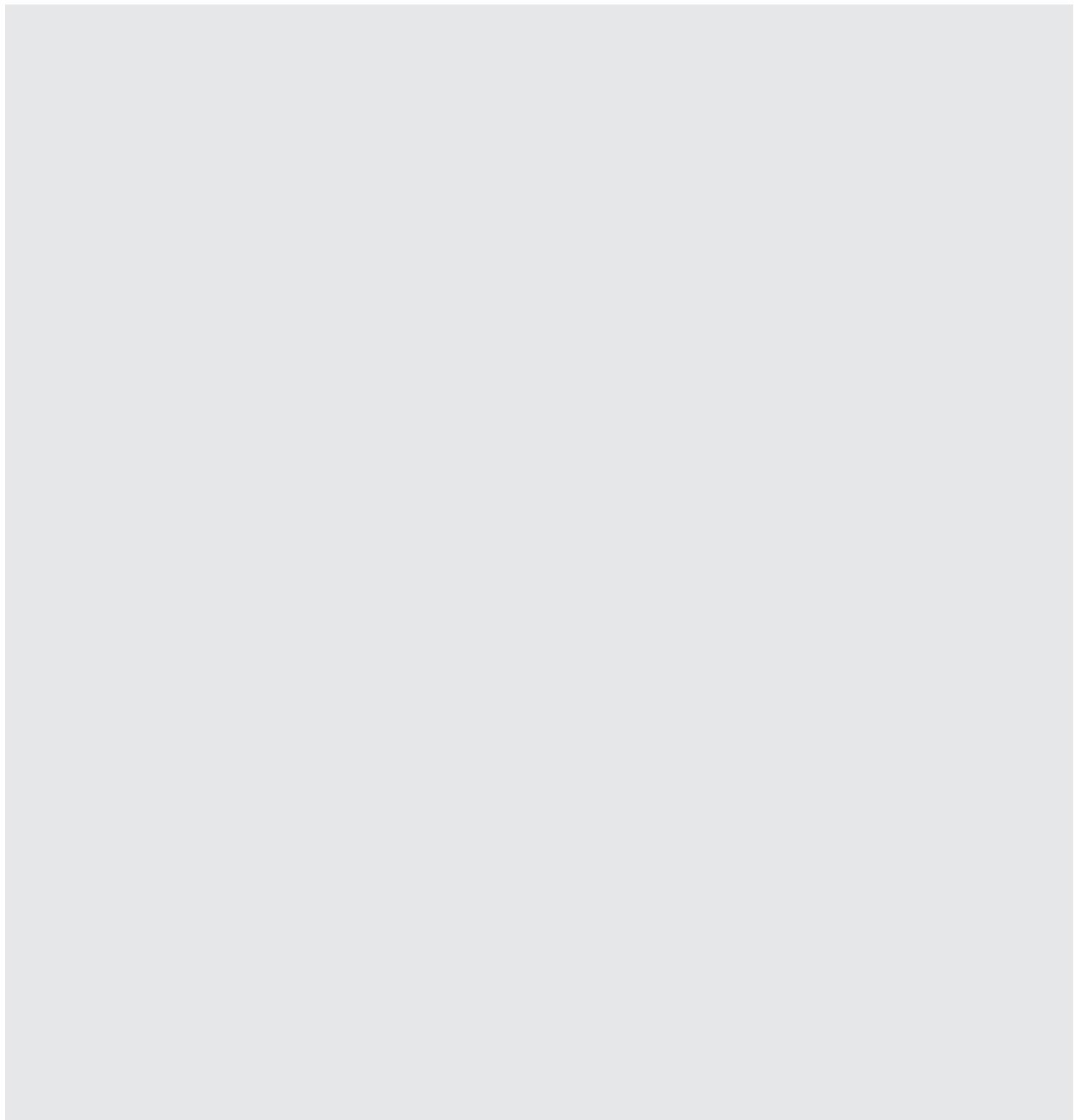




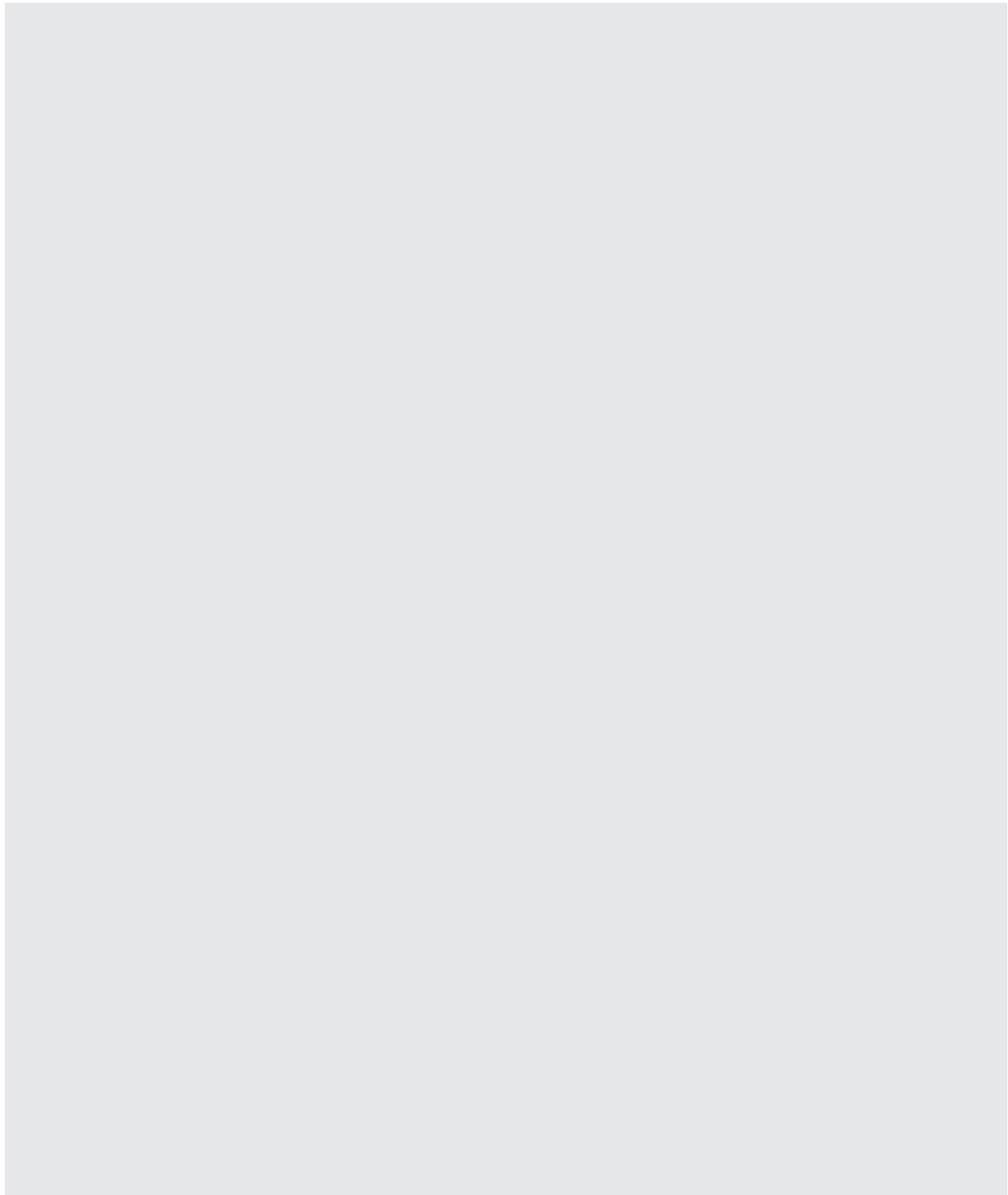
Knowledge Mobilization and Anticipated Outcomes

There should be a clear indication of the expected outcome(s) of the proposed SRC project (e.g., publications, presentations, preliminary stage of a large project, community engagement initiatives/outreach, etc.), including any relevant student/HQP training. As appropriate, proposals should indicate how the SRC project will prepare the applicant for future externally funded opportunities.

(Max. 500 words)



List of References



Budget

An itemized budget explaining the relationship of the funds requested to the proposed SRC project.

Note on eligible expenses: Funds can be used only for research-related costs that conform to [university's guidelines regarding pay and benefit rates and allowable expenses](#).

Item Description / Purpose	Cost (CAD)
	Total

Budget Justification