

## **Combining the Indigenous Summer Scholars Program (ISSP) with an NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)**

If you are working on a project with an NSERC funded supervisor, and you want to expand your summer work from part-time to full-time and to a length of 14 - 16 weeks, please consider applying for a USRA.

Combining the two programs together will provide

- 14 - 16 continuous weeks of full-time research and the ability to participate in all aspects of the ISSP.
- Pay will be at least \$9000 for the combined ISSP/USRA

Eligibility criteria can be found here: [2024 ISSP/ NSERC USRA Guidelines](#)

Please apply to the ISSP by their DEADLINE and application processes for the USRA-ISSP can begin once matched with a supervisor. Then, students should register and login via NSERC's online system. Students and supervisors must follow the instructions on the NSERC website to complete Form 202 Part I (i.e., student) and Part II (supervisor). An electronic copy of both parts of Form 202, and a webadvisor transcript should be compiled into one, single PDF file and then emailed to Dylan Jones ([d.jones@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:d.jones@uwinnipeg.ca)) before April 1, 2024.

Application Checklist (Students and Supervisors – Please combine all parts of the application into a single PDF file):

1. Part 1 of Form 202 (Student)
2. Part 2 of Form 202 (Supervisor)
3. Unofficial transcript (WebAdvisor grade statement is preferred)

The Research Office will review these applications quickly for eligibility. If the student is selected for a USRA they will need to submit an official transcript.

Please Note:

NSERC reviews the university USRA submissions during June and July, well after the student has begun the summer research project. The Research Office will do their utmost to ensure that only students meeting NSERC's eligibility requirements are put forward. In the rare case where NSERC deems a student to be ineligible to participate in the NSERC USRA program, the Research Office and faculty supervisor will work together resolve the issue.

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