Date: April 3, 2013

From: Office of the Vice-President Research & International

To: Associate Deans Research, President’s Advisory Committee – Major Awards, Faculty Research Awards Committee, Liu Institute, Peter Wall Institute, Hospital Affiliates, Award & Grant Facilitators.

Please share the following information with Department Heads and Faculty Members:

Effective Nomination Tracking: Tracking UBC’s participation in major external award competitions is an institutional priority. If you are planning to submit a nomination for one of the external opportunities listed here, please advise the Faculty Awards Coordinator brenda.carrier@ubc.ca so nomination activity can be effectively and confidentially tracked.

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**AWARD SUMMARIES**

**NSERC E.W.R. STEACIE FELLOWSHIPS** – Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council
PLEASE CLICK HERE for UBC’s Internal Selection Guidelines for the NSERC Steacie Fellowships:

**UBC Internal Deadline: April 18, 2013**

**External Deadline: June 7, 2013**

**Website:** http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Prizes-Prix/Steacie-Steacie/Nomination-Nomination_eng.asp

**Description:** Each year NSERC offers six Steacie Fellowships. A Steacie Fellowship provides support to a young faculty member for two years, free of teaching and administrative responsibilities.

At UBC, before submission to NSERC, a Steacie Fellowship nomination requires preparation in the academic unit and endorsement by the Office of the Vice President Research & International (VPRIO.) Institutions are limited to a maximum of six Steacie Fellowship nominations. Please ensure that you review UBC’s internal guidelines outlined above.

Note: As of April 3, 2013, NSERC has not officially opened this competition. NSERC confirms that the criteria, requirements and deadline remain the same as with the 2012 competition.

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**SSHRC IMPACT AWARDS – Social Sciences and Humanities Council**

PLEASE CLICK HERE for UBC’s Internal Selection Guidelines for the SSHRC Impact Awards:

**UBC Internal Deadline: April 18, 2013**

**External Deadline: June 10, 2013**


**Description:** SSHRC Impact Awards are designed to build on and sustain Canada’s research-based knowledge culture in the social sciences and humanities. The awards recognize outstanding researchers and celebrate their achievements in research, research training, knowledge mobilization and outreach activities funded partially or completely by SSHRC.
The Office of the VP Research & International is seeking strong nominations for this competition. Institutions are limited to one nomination per competition. Self-nominations will not be accepted. The VPRI Office will activate an internal selection process for applications. Please ensure that you review UBC’s internal guidelines for this competition.

WORLD FOOD PRIZE – The World Food Prize Foundation

Deadline: May 1, 2013

Website: http://www.worldfoodprize.org/index.cfm?nodeID=25290

Description: The World Food Prize recognizes specific tangible achievements in any field involved in enhancing food production and distribution, and increasing food availability and accessibility to those most in need, thereby reducing human suffering and improving health and nutrition. The World Food Prize is awarded for a specific, exceptionally significant, individual achievement at any point along the full range of the food production and distribution chain including, but not limited to: soil and land; plant and animal science; food science and technology; nutrition; rural development; marketing; food processing and packaging; water and the environment; natural resource conservation; physical infrastructure; transportation and distribution; special or extraordinary feeding programs; social organization and poverty elimination; economics and finance; policy analysis; and public advocacy.

USD 250,000

Research Area(s): Multiple

KING FAISAL INTERNATIONAL PRIZE - King Faisal Foundation

Deadline: May 1, 2013

Website: http://www.kff.com/EN01/KFIP/KFIPTopicsIntro1435H2014G.html

The annual presentation of King Faisal International Prize enables the Foundation to reward dedicated men and women whose contributions make a positive difference: those who exceptionally serve Islam and Muslims, and the scientists and scholars whose research results in significant advances in specific areas that benefit humanity. This incentive also encourages expanded research that may lead to important medical and scientific breakthroughs. Prize categories: 1) Service to Islam 2) Islamic Studies 3) Arabic Language & Literature 4) Medicine 5) Science
USD 200,000

**Research Area(s):** Multiple

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**KILLAM RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS** - Canada Council for the Arts

**Internal requirement:** Please contact ORS for application authorization.

**Deadline:** May 15, 2013

**Website:** [http://www.canadacouncil.ca/prizes/killam/](http://www.canadacouncil.ca/prizes/killam/)

Eight fellowships are awarded each year, normally to full professors at Canadian universities and research institutes, who have an outstanding reputation in their area of research. The fellowship provides 2 years of release time.

CAD 70,000 per year

**Research Area(s):** Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Health Sciences and (or) Engineering

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**L’Oréal-UNESCO Awards in the LIFE SCIENCES** – L’Oreal Foundation

**Deadline:** May 17, 2013

Please contact [brenda.carrier@ubc.ca](mailto:brenda.carrier@ubc.ca) by April 23 for application support and to discuss potential candidates.

**Website:** [www.fwis.fr](http://www.fwis.fr)

**Description:** Since its inception in 1998, the For Women in Science partnership expands each year. To date the L’Oreal-UNESCO Awards have distinguished 77 eminent women scientists at the height of their career. The l’Oréal-UNESCO Awards are attributed each year to distinguish eminent women scientists at the height of their career. The 2014 Awards will be given to 5 women scientists who have made a significant contribution in the Life Sciences. The candidate must be recognized for her personal scientific excellence, be actively involved in scientific research and can be involved in any field of the Life Sciences.

One Award is given per geographic region as follows: Africa/Arab States, Asia (including Oceania and Pacific), Europe, Latin America, North America (Canada and USA) Each award is worth $100 000.
KILLAM RESEARCH PRIZE – Canada Council for the Arts

**Deadline:** June 15, 2013

**Website:** [http://www.canadacouncil.ca/prizes/killam/](http://www.canadacouncil.ca/prizes/killam/)

**Description:** Each year the Killam Program offers awards to outstanding Canadian scholars working in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, health sciences and engineering. These awards are among Canada’s most distinguished research awards. Recipients are chosen by a committee of 15 eminent Canadian scholars appointed by the Canada Council.

**Research Area(s):** Humanities, Social sciences, Natural Sciences, Health Sciences, and (or) Engineering.

CAD 100,000

THE CANADIAN MEDICAL HALL OF FAME

**Deadline:** June 24, 2013

**Website:** [http://www.cdnmedhall.org/nominate](http://www.cdnmedhall.org/nominate)

**Description:** Established in 1994, The Canadian Medical Hall of Fame celebrates the accomplishments of Canada’s medical heroes who through discovery and innovation, have made, and are making, significant contributions to improving health in Canada and around the world. Laureates are Canadian citizens, living and posthumous, whose outstanding contributions to medicine and the health sciences have led to extraordinary improvements in human health. Their work may be a single meritorious contribution or a lifetime of superior accomplishments in the following categories:

- **Builder -** Innovative leadership in health education, health research and/or the creation of an institution or program that has endured to the benefit of human health
- **Excellence in Health Care -** Innovative leadership in health care exemplifying professionalism and services to humankind
- **Excellence in Health Research: Basic Research, Clinical Research, Health Services, Population and Public Health**

**Research Area(s):** Health & Life Sciences
FRONTIERS OF KNOWLEDGE AND CULTURE AWARDS - BBVA Foundation
Deadline: July 1, 2013

Website: http://www.fbbva.es/TLFU/tlfu/ing/microsites/premios/fronteras/nominacion/index.jsp

Description: The BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge and Culture Awards seek to recognize and encourage world-class research and artistic creation, prizing contributions of lasting impact for their originality, theoretical significance and ability to push back the frontiers of the known world. Awards will be granted in eight prize categories, spanning three domains. First, scientific and technological research in the areas of Basic Sciences, Biomedicine, Ecology and Conservation Biology, Information and Communication Technologies, and Economics, Finance and Management. Second, the creation, direction or performance of works of contemporary classical music. Third, scientific research and/or projects that represent significant advances in two core concerns of the 21st century: climate change and development cooperation.

The prize categories are: Basic Sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics), Biomedicine, Ecology and Conservation Biology, Information and Communication Technologies, Economics, Finance and management, Contemporary Music, Climate Change and Development Cooperation

Research Area(s): Multiple

Millennium Technology Prize – Technology Academy Finland

Deadline: July 31, 2013

Website: http://www.technologyacademy.fi/call-for-nominations/

Description: Awarded to groundbreaking technological innovations that enhance the quality of people’s lives in a sustainable manner. The innovations have been applied in practice and are delivering extensive change now and in the future. The aims of the prize are to promote technological research and innovation that have a positive impact on the quality of life, alleviate fears towards technological change and encourage discussion between technology specialists and societal decision makers.

The innovations stimulate further cutting edge research and development in science and technology.

Research Area(s): Multiple

THE WILEY PRIZE IN BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES - The Wiley Foundation

Deadline: July 31, 2013
The Wiley Prize in Biomedical Sciences is intended to recognize breakthrough research in pure or applied life science research that is distinguished by its excellence, originality and impact on our understanding of biological systems and processes. The award may recognize a specific contribution or series of contributions that demonstrate the nominee’s significant leadership in the development of research concepts or their clinical application. Particular emphasis will be placed on research that champions novel approaches and challenges accepted thinking in the biomedical sciences.

**Research Area(s):** Health & Life Sciences

**USD $35,000**

*Research award opportunities are also updated and posted here:* [http://research.ubc.ca/vpri/nomination-deadlines](http://research.ubc.ca/vpri/nomination-deadlines)

Kind regards,

Brenda Carrier

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Faculty Awards Coordinator

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