



Call for Proposals: Applied Research Opportunities for Students (Pilot) Program (Revised)

PROGRAM NAME

Applied Research Opportunities for Students (AROS) Program

GOAL

To ignite student-initiated research projects at NAIT

ELIGIBILITY

All full-time students in good standing (no minimum grade required at this time) at NAIT

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT AND APPLICATION PROCESS

For all enquiries regarding this program, please contact the Program Manager, Deepak Srinivasagupta (at 780-378-6176). As needed, the Program Manager will provide advanced support and consultation to develop the research project/proposal.

The AR2 - AROS Grant Application Form is available on www.nait.ca/novaNAIT. Completed forms and supporting documents can be sent to the Program Manager by any of these means:

- E-mail (preferred) to deepaks@nait.ca, copying your advisor, in lieu of signatures
- Signed hardcopy, via walk-ins (W207S) or inter-office mail (Mail-stop W207)
- By fax (attn: Deepak Srinivasagupta), to 780-471-8380

ADVISOR REQUIREMENT

In general, all applicants must have a full-time NAIT employee as their advisor. If the student is unable to find one, the Program Manager will help designate an advisor prior to the application process. Applicants may also propose an external co-advisor, such as from the industry.

SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

All completed submissions will be reviewed by an internal Peer Review Committee. An AROS Grant Rubric, used to select the successful proposal(s), is online at www.nait.ca/novaNAIT.

AWARD

At least two awards, of up to \$5,000 per award (\$4,500 for student stipend, and \$500 for related project expenses) will be made in this competition. The student effort must be at least 250 hours, and will be pro-rated if proposed otherwise. 10% of the award money will be released after the completion of the Program Evaluation Forms by the student and the advisor, and a 1-page Project Report.

CO-OP CREDIT

The proposed project activity may be eligible for credit towards a co-op diploma. As individual program requirements vary, please directly contact the Co-op Education Coordinator responsible for your school/program for eligibility and any other requirements.

TIMELINES

This competition will support project activity that will generally occur May 1-June 26, 2010.

- Applications will be received until noon on January 4, 2010
- Selections will be made by the end of the day on January 19, 2010
- Applicants and their advisors will be notified on January 22, 2010
- Program Evaluation Forms and Project Report due by end of the day on July 30, 2010