



Call for Applications CSLP Emerging Scholars Accelerator 2026–2027

The Centre for the Study of Learning and Performance (CSLP) is pleased to launch the **Emerging Scholars Accelerator**, a targeted funding opportunity designed to foster meaningful collaboration between established researchers and early-career faculty members within the CSLP community.

This initiative supports the development of strong research teams that can move ideas forward quickly, strategically, and collaboratively.

This year, the CSLP will award **one grant of up to \$5,000**.

Purpose of the Program

The Emerging Scholars Accelerator is designed to support team-based development where mentorship, collaboration, and knowledge exchange are central.

The program brings together:

- An **established CSLP researcher** (Associate or higher)
- A **junior CSLP researcher** (Postdoctoral Scholar or Assistant Professor)

to jointly advance a shared research agenda and strengthen long-term scholarly collaboration.

Objectives

This funding opportunity aims to support teams working to:

- Prepare and submit a competitive external grant application;
- Disseminate knowledge to academic and/or community audiences;
- Funds must be used either to support the development of a grant application or a knowledge mobilization activity and/or product.

Applications must:

- Include a team composed of:
 - One **established CSLP researcher**, and
 - One **assistant professor CSLP member**;
- Demonstrate a clear collaborative plan aligned with CSLP research priorities;
- Include a focus on at least one of the following:
 - External grant submission,
 - Knowledge dissemination,

Evaluation Criteria

Applications will be assessed based on:

- Potential to produce a competitive external grant application or Quality of the proposed knowledge mobilization activities;
- Contribution to strengthening networks and connections within the CSLP and the academic field more broadly.

Application Package

Applicants should submit:

1. **Project description** (maximum 2 pages), including objectives, collaboration plan, and intended outcomes;
2. **Identification of roles** for each team member (established researcher and assistant professor);
3. **Targeted grant competition** (if applicable) and timeline for submission;
4. **Budget and justification** (maximum 1 page);

Terms and Conditions

Applications must be submitted by November 30, 2026. All awarded funds must be fully spent by April 30, 2027. Please note that no extensions will be granted beyond this date.

Submission

Please submit applications as a single PDF to: zeina.ismailallouche@concordia.ca with the subject line: **“CSLP Emerging Scholars Accelerator.”**