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1. **Kwe! Hello!**

Before you get started....

1. Read the program

details: <https://www.concordia.ca/about/community/office/projects/celfis.html>

2. There are suggested word limits for your responses.

Next to each question, you will see a recommended answer length (e.g. 100 - 200 words). This is meant to give you an idea of the length of answers we are expecting.

3. We are here to help!

If you have any questions about this form or if you need support answering any of the questions, please contact us at communityengagement@concordia.ca

Application Deadline: April 10, 2026 at 11.59PM *

I read the considerations above

General Information

2. Your full name *

3. Concordia student identification number (student ID) *

4. Email Address *

We will be using this email address to contact you.

5. Phone Number *

6. Mailing Address

Having this information will make it easier and faster for us to issue your payment if your project is selected.

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Eligibility

7. Please introduce yourself *

*You can tell us about your Nation/s, community/ies, family/ies, pronouns, etc.
(recommended length: 100 - 200 words)*

8. Name of Master's or PhD program at Concordia University *

What is your program of study and what is your expected graduation date ?

9. Name of your thesis supervisor(s) *

10. Which Indigenous group(s) do you identify with? *

- First Nation
- Inuit
- Metis
- Other

11. Name of your community(ies): *

Tell us which Indigenous community/ies you identify with

12. Are you registered with the Otsenhákta Student Centre? *

Concordia offers several awards for students based on equity, diversity and inclusivity considerations. For awards intended for Indigenous students, registration with the Otsenhákta Student Centre is encouraged.

- Yes
- No
- I'm unsure

13. If you answered "no" to question 10, please register with the Otsenhákta Student Centre using the online form below:

Register with Otsenhákta Student Centre : https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=hfFpVS_SE06YUM5bGrzS6N4QQQ6SpxxCuh2QsncyleJUQU1CSlhMMFRYTU9YV1dZWfNLMEUxMjA4Si4u

When filling in the registration form, you will be prompted to provide your Concordia email address in order to gain access. Every Concordia student has a default email address that is associated with their netname. Simply enter the format as NETNAME@live.concordia.ca.

Past CELFIS Recipients

Past recipients are eligible as long as they demonstrate how additional funding allows the advancement of their project.

14. Did you previously received funding from the CELFIS program? *

- Yes
- No

15. How did you use the CELFIS award previously? What were some key activities and outcomes from your previous funding? (recommended length: 100 - 200 words) *

16. How would this CELFIS award help you build on or advance your previous work? (recommended length: 100 - 200 words) *

17. Will you send supporting documentation to demonstrate how your previous CELFIS award was used? (any documents that provides evidence on the impact of your project like photos, images, testimonies, etc.)? *

Please send your supporting documentation before the deadline at communityengagement@concordia.ca

- Yes
- No

Funding Application

18. Project Name *

Please choose a brief name to help us refer to your project.

19. What is your project? *

Describe what you are planning to do and why. Make sure you include information about how your project responds to a need identified by the community you collaborate with (eg. language revitalisation, gap in health services, need for documenting, need for Indigenous representation, etc.)

(recommended length: 200 - 300 words)

20. How is this project connected to your graduate work at Concordia? *

Tell us what you are hoping to learn and how this will contribute to your graduate studies?

(recommended length: 100 words)

21. Who are your Indigenous collaborators? *

Who are the community members involved in your project? Tell us how you relate to this group or these individuals? Are they part of a larger group/organization/community/grassroot initiative?(recommended length: 100 - 200 words)

22. How are community members involved with the project? What are their specific roles? *

For example, did your collaborators define the community issue your project is addressing? Are they being interviewed? Do they make decisions about the research project? Are they gaining skills or offered training opportunities? Are they acting as an advisor for your research?

This can be aspirational (recommended length: 200 - 300 words)

Note: A lower level of community engagement is "community-informed" research: researchers consult through surveys, focus groups and interviews, adapting the research to the local context. The highest level of community engagement is "community owned" research: research is owned by community members, and all of the decisions and parameters of research are made by the community partners.

23. What are the impacts are you hoping your project will have in the short, medium or long-term? *

Tell us how your project will help address a specific issue by developing skills, capacities, knowledge and/or well-being of the community concerned.

(recommended length: 100 - 200 words)

24. How are Indigenous methods integrated in your project? *

*Tell us how you will carry out your project.
Which methodologies and pedagogies will you use?
Is your project driven by Indigenous principles and values? Which ones?
Are cultural protocols being considered and implemented? If so, which ones and how?*

(recommended length: 200 - 300 words)

25. How will the funding requested help you carry out community-based research and implement Indigenous methods? *

Please write the amount (max \$6,000) you are requesting and detail how you are planning to spend the money. (recommended length: 100 - 200 words)

For example:

Amount requested : \$4,000

- _____*
- \$500 x 2 Elders*
- \$100 x 5 community members*
- \$600 overnight stay and gas to and from community*
- \$300 for catering for gathering*
- \$200 honorarium for local photographer to document gathering*
- \$400 purchasing of material for workshop*
- \$1000 honorarium for translators*
- _____*

26. Optional – Will you submit a letter of support?

You can submit a letter of support that demonstrates the relevancy of your project. The letter should help us understand how your project is rooted in community and anchored in Indigenous methods. Please send your letter before the deadline at communityengagement@concordia.ca

Yes

No

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