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What is PIVOT Expertise Database?

Provides access to the most comprehensive source of funding opportunities globally

- Identifies researcher expertise from within or outside of your organization
- Enhances communication, monitoring, and tracking amongst individual faculty, teams, or researchers and the Research Development office
- Allows the focus to be on winning the necessary awards and grants
- Enables you to add internal deadlines to critical funding opportunities and sends weekly updates on saved searches
- Create groups for sharing funding opportunities on an ongoing basis

1. How to access it?

To access PIVOT from off campus, you must create your PIVOT account.

- Go to [https://pivot.cos.com/register](https://pivot.cos.com/register)
- The Affiliated Member Institution is University of Western Ontario.

PLEASE NOTE: PIVOT provides information from publicly sourced sites, and Western does not review or manage researchers identified as Western faculty on the PIVOT profiles.

2. How to create an Account?

To create your account you need to add first and last name, institutional email, password and the affiliated member institution. Once you add all the information, press create my account.

Create your Pivot Account

You must be affiliated with an institution that subscribes to Pivot in order to create an account. You will receive a verification email. Once your account is created, your email address will be your Pivot user id.

You should receive an email asking you to confirm your registration.
3. How to find or create your Profile?

- Go to Profile (located in the top bar) and select Faculty of Social Science (click profiles), select Department of Psychology (click profiles). All faculty members’ names are listed in alphabetical order.
- Alternatively, use advanced search to search by name and last name of the researcher.
- You can Claim your profile or if you don’t see your profile, you can Create a profile.
- To create a profile, click Create a profile and follow the steps:
  1. Select your profile name
  2. Add the email to create your profile (use UWO email)
  3. Add details about your current affiliations

4. How can I use my profile?

If you have a profile – click on your name. In the right side of the window, you will see the suggested funding opportunities based on your profile as well as based on your department (Funding Matches).

Here is an example:

Once you click the funding opportunities, a detailed database will show up. You can sort the database by relevance, title, sponsor, deadline and amount. The sort button is located close to the # Results (i.e. in the screenshot above is close to 38 results). Or, you can sort by the type of the fund as shown in the left corner of the screenshot below:
5. How to search for funding?

Click on Funding and chose advanced search. Chose the filters such as: amount, deadlines, limited submission, activity location, citizenship/residency, funding type, keywords, applicant type and sponsor type.

Here is an example of the advanced search for a Research and Travel Grant for cognitive psychology and behavioral models for a Canadian researcher.

Click advanced search, under citizenship/residency select Canada. Under the funding type select Research and Travel Grant. Under keywords type/select cognitive psychology, type/select behavioral models.
Here are the results:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Deadline</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Perception and Cognition Research to Inform Cancer Image Interpretation (R21)</td>
<td>30 May 2017</td>
<td>$200,000 USD</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Research Grants Foundation Fyssen / Fyssen Foundation</td>
<td>20 Oct 2017</td>
<td>$35,000 EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Substance Use and Abuse, Risky Decision Making and HIV/AIDS (R01)</td>
<td>07 May 2012</td>
<td>$100,000 USD</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Substance Use and Abuse, Risky Decision Making and HIV/AIDS (R01)</td>
<td>07 May 2012</td>
<td>see record</td>
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<td>07 May 2012</td>
<td>see record</td>
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<tr>
<td>Confirmatory Efficacy Clinical Trials of Non-Pharmacological Interventions for Mental Disorders (001)</td>
<td>14 Jun 2017</td>
<td>see record</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Click on one of these funding opportunities - you will be able to see more information about the grant such as sponsor website, sponsor details, applicant type, citizenship, activity location, abstract, eligibility and upcoming deadlines.

Also, in the right side, you are able to see potential collaborators inside and outside your institution as well as the funding contact person information.
As shown in the right side of the snapshot above, you can track this grant by clicking on tracking, set it active or share it. This will allow you to receive deadline reminders. You can choose the frequency of these reminders by clicking on your account profile located in top right corner of the pivot database. Under preferences, you are able to select the frequency of reminders for both active and tracked funding opportunities.
6. How to create alerts?

You can create alerts for funding opportunities by saving the search.

Conduct a search by using relevant keywords, click Save Search.

Choose the name for your search and indicate if you wish to receive weekly emails and press save:
7. Where to find alerts, active and tracked items?

You are able to find saved searches, active and tracked items under the home tab located in the top left side of the pivot database.

Under saved searches, click Options and then you can share, edit, add tags, alert email off and delete this search.

8. Who to contact for help?

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