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NSERC and SSHRC grants that have ended and have not been renewed or extended may have residual balances. Under certain circumstances determined by their Finance and Awards Administration Division, NSERC and SSHRC allow residual funds from prior years to be retained by an institution. When approved these funds are transferred into a General Research Fund at the institution. These funds must be used for the broad purpose of enhancing quality research in the natural sciences and engineering or in the social sciences and humanities, as applicable. Funds must also be used within in a timely manner. The Dean of Research, Teaching & Graduate Studies has delegated responsibility for the administration of these funds.

The policy for access to these funds at CBU is as follows:

- 1) The researcher who had a residual balance in their SSHRC or NSERC account can make application to retain the funds outlining how they will be used. Funds must be used within a year of approval.
- 2) In cases in which a) after a year unused funds remain, b) the researcher no longer needs the funds, or c) the researcher leaves CBU, the residual is returned to the General Research Funds. It can be used to support research that falls within the mandate of the granting agencies. Note that SSHRC residual funds can only be used to support research within the realm of the social sciences and humanities and NSERC residual funds can only be used to support research within the realm of natural sciences and engineering.