**Research proposal**

* 1. **List interns (maximum of 5) who will be travelling for 12- to 24-week internships, and in which direction (to or from Canada)?**

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| Name | Destination (Canada or name of the other country) | Degree level | Project dates (dd/mm/yy) and internship length (number of weeks) | If applicable, % of project conducted at the home institution  (to a maximum of 25%) |
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**2. Proposed Research:**

**2.1 Background (1 to 2 pages)**

Provide a review the existing literature with references to relevant prior works. Explain the scientific context and contribution of your project to this literature and general knowledge (e.g., the gaps the objectives will fill or its novelty).

**2.2 Objectives of the Mitacs Globalink research project (1 page max. depending on the number of interns)**

Describe the objectives and sub-objectives of the Globalink research project. Include your research question(s) and/or hypotheses. Provide enough details for the reviewers to clearly understand what the intern(s) will be doing during their internship.

For projects with multiple interns, explain which objectives or sub-objectives will be tackled by each intern. Distribution of the tasks among the interns must be explicit.

If the Globalink internship is part of a bigger project (either an intern thesis or a team project), you may provide a short description of the context of your work and how your internship relates to this bigger project.

**2.3. Indigenous community involvement or impact (if applicable):**   
Internships that involve or impact Indigenous communities must comply with the Mitacs Indigenous Research Policy.   
Please provide information on i) Indigenous community support for the project, and their role in shaping its objectives & approach, ii) plans for Indigenous community access, use, and governance of resulting knowledge / data, and iii) the team’s background in Indigenous research, including any planned training / mentorship the intern(s) will receive to address deficits in experience.

You may also submit 1-2 letter(s) of support from Indigenous Elders who are members of the partner community / communities and possess the authority to speak on community interests.

**2.4 Timeline showing which task will be done when to achieve each objective**

We suggest using a Gantt chart.

Provide details about when and where the tasks and activities will be conducted, and by which intern.

**2.5 Literature cited in sections 2.2 and 2.3**

**3 Benefits to Canada**

**3.1 Collaboration between participating researchers (1 page max.)**

**(a) Supervisors’ expertise**

Explain how the project aligns with the host and home supervisors’ expertise and research work. Describe how the project will help the participating researchers further develop their existing research and projects.

**(b) Existing or planned research collaboration**

Describe the existing or planned research collaboration between the participants that will be further developed by this project. If the Mitacs Globalink project is part of a larger collaborative project, please provide details about this project.

If intellectual property management, or results dissemination, have already been discussed, please provide a brief description.

**3.2 Significance** **of the project (0.5 page max.)**

Describe what specific contributions the project is expected to provide to industry or society? What are the challenges facing society or industry that the project will address?

**3.3 Strengthening Canada’s innovation capacity (0.5 page max.)**

Explain what your project will bring to Canada and the expected impact on Canada’s innovation capacity (e.g., missing skills, techniques or expertise that will be brought back, original data that will be collected by accessing specific sites or populations, innovative ways of thinking that will provide another perspective to solve Canada’s and/or the partner country’s challenges, enhance the impact of Canadian research, etc.).

**4 Opportunities offered to the interns**

**4.1 Intern support and research environment (0.5 page max.)**

Provide details on the research environment in which the intern(s) will be working (facilities and equipment, available expertise, research network, opportunities for fieldwork or data collection, etc.).

Describe the engagement of the host institution and training opportunities offered to the intern(s). Describe the planned interaction with the host team and institute: meetings, support, mentoring, etc.

**4.2 Interaction (supervision and mentorship) (0.5 page max.)**

Provide detailed information on the interaction between the host supervisor(s), the research team and the intern(s), including the supervision and mentorship that the intern(s) will receive, as well as the nature, frequency, and location of these interactions.   
If portions of the research will be conducted away from the primary host institution, such as field work, indicate the percentage (%) of time during the project that the intern(s) will spend at the host institution.

**4.3 Interns’ statement(s) of interest: Each intern must write their own statement.**  
Duplicate sections below for each intern when there are multiple interns.

Each intern must explain how participating in Mitacs Globalink will benefit their academic studies and research career (e.g., working with internationally renowned experts, unique opportunities for fieldwork or data collection, access to facilities, or expertise not available at their home institution). They must explain how they are prepared, or preparing themselves, to successfully conduct this research project (skills, competence, experience, training plan, etc.).

**(a) Name of intern**

**(b) Statement of interest (0.5 pages)**