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LIFE Research Institute

uOttawa

A lot has happened since the LIFE Research Institute was launched. We are finalizing our governance structure and are calling on you to become a member or renew your interest and membership level. Whether you are renewing your membership or wishing to become a member, we ask that you kindly take the time to read the types of members and the expectations. Please note that membership is needed if you wish to apply for funds from the LIFE Research Institute.

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE uOttawa LIFE RESEARCH INSTITUTE

1. Read the different levels of membership and pick the one that best suits your level of involvement.
2. Fill out the membership form
3. Send form to adm.LIFE@uottawa.ca along with a recent curriculum vitae.

Your dossier will be examined and a letter will confirm your membership.

WHAT IS THE LIFE RESEARCH INSTITUTE?

In 2017, the University of Ottawa created the LIFE Research Institute (LRI) as a research hub housed in the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Ottawa. Since then, it has become a pan-University institute, bringing together multidisciplinary and multi-sectorial expertise to advance knowledge and training on the biological, physical, mental and social issues through the full life trajectory, taking a new, dynamic and comprehensive approach to the study of aging. Academic members of the Institute originate from all University of Ottawa faculties: Arts, Civil Law, Common Law, Education, Engineering, Health Sciences, Medicine, Science, Social Sciences and the Telfer School of Management. These academics, along with our partners assist in developing the much-needed evidence that shapes future knowledge, care, policy, practice and business initiatives that ensure that we enjoy a long, well-lived life filled with choices.

The **VISION** for the LIFE Research Institute is:

- To act as a forward looking research hub for studying and integrating biological, psychosocial and environmental dimensions of life trajectories in order to foster optimal wellbeing throughout the lifespan.

The **MISSION** for the LIFE Research Institute is:

- By focusing on changes related to aging, the LRI connects multidisciplinary and multi-sectorial expertise to advance knowledge and promote training on issues that allow us to live long, live well and live with voice and choice. These three axes (live long, live well, live with voice and choice) form the backbone of the institute's activities.

TYPES OF MEMBERS

Adapted from University of Ottawa document *Guidelines for the Creation and Operation of Research Centres and Institutes, Appendix B*

1. **Principal Researchers**

   - Holds a regular faculty appointment at the University of Ottawa.
   - Has evidence of research activity related to the thematic priorities of the LIFE Research Institute (LRI) such as:
     - ➢ Is a principal or co-investigator on at least one research grant related to the thematic priorities of the LRI;
     - ➢ Authors or co-authors academic research papers or monographs in an area of relevance to the LRI, the number of which may vary by the research discipline;
     - ➢ Presents or has presented (e.g. conference, symposium, seminar) in an area of relevance to the LRI;
   - Contributes to the training of highly qualified colleagues, students and postdocs by teaching, supervising and mentoring;
   - Contributes to committee work or LRI activities, including knowledge mobilization, either through the consultative process or through direct participation;
   - Attends at least one assembly meeting within a two-year period;
   - Renders the link with the LRI evident on all communications in line with LRI related activities;
   - Accepts that their name be posted on the LRI website as a member of the Institute.

2. **Affiliated Researcher**

   - Holds a regular or adjunct faculty appointment at a university in Canada or abroad.
   - Is a co-investigator or active collaborator on research or learning activities within the LRI.
   - Contributes to committee work or LRI activities, including knowledge mobilization, either through the consultative process or through direct participation;
   - Attends at least one assembly meeting within a two-year period;
   - Renders the link with the LRI evident on all communications in line with LRI related activities;
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3. **Visiting Researcher**

   - Holds a visiting faculty appointment.
   - Has evidence of research activity related to the thematic priorities of the LIFE Research Institute (LRI) such as:
     - ➢ Is a principal or co-investigator on at least one research grant related to the thematic priorities of the LRI;
     - ➢ Authors or co-authors academic research papers or monographs in an area of relevance to the LRI, the number of which may vary by the research discipline;
     - ➢ Presents or has presented (e.g. conference, symposium, seminar) in an area of relevance to the LRI;
   - Contributes to committee work or LRI activities, including knowledge mobilization, either through the consultative process or through direct participation;
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4. **Postdoctoral Fellow**

- Is a postgraduate researcher supervised by a principal researcher of the LRI.
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5. **Student (Undergraduate, Graduate)**
- Is a student at the undergraduate or graduate level supervised by the principal researchers of the LRI.
- Contributes to committee work or LRI activities, including knowledge mobilization, either through the consultative process or through direct participation;
- Renders the link with the LRI evident on all communications in line with LRI related activities;
- Accepts that their name be posted on the LRI website as a member of the Institute.

6. **Research Support Staff**

- Supports the activities of the centre/institute in his/her capacity as research staff (e.g. research associate, research assistant, technician).
- Contributes to committee work or LRI activities, including knowledge mobilization, either through the consultative process or through direct participation;

7. **Other Affiliated Members**

- Is not a member of the research community but participates in the activities of the LRI. These may include non-researcher clinicians, decision makers, interested community members, individuals from the private sector.
- Donors
- Contributes to committee work or LRI activities, including knowledge mobilization, either through the consultative process or through direct participation;

8. **Members representing groups**
- Individuals who represent a research institute, group or centre
- Individuals who represent not-for-profit organizations
- Individuals who represent industry groups
- Individuals who represent community or health organizations
- Contributes to committee work or LRI activities, including knowledge mobilization, either through the consultative process or through direct participation;

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Membership Options

Principal Researcher
Affiliated Researcher
Visiting Researcher
Postdoctoral Fellow
Student (Undergraduate, Graduate)
Research Support Staff
Other Affiliated Members
Members Representing Groups

Personal Information

Name: _Last_ _____ _First_ _____ _Middle_ _____

Email: _____

Telephone (Office): _____ Telephone (Cell): _____

Professional Information

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City _____ _Province_ _____ _Zip/Postal Code_ _____ _Country_ _____

Please give us ten words that relate to your fields of interest:

Give us no more than three problems you would like to solve:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Do you have anything you would like to add?