

Compute Canada's 2021 Resource Allocation Competition

What is the Resource Allocation Competition (RAC)?

The Resource Allocation Competition (RAC) is the process used by the Compute Canada Federation to award storage and computing resources on an annual basis. Competition is high for the limited pool of resources available.

How do I apply for the Resource Allocation Competition (RAC)?

Here are a few steps to complete a successful application.



Need more information? Flip to see more FAQs.

FAQs

What RAC dates do I need to be aware of?

Process	Start Date	Finish Date
Fast Track Submission	September 23, 2020	October 28, 2020
RPP & RRG Submissions	September 23, 2020	November 5, 2020
Winners announced	-	Late March 2021
Awarded resources released	-	April 2021

Why should I consult with IST's Research Support Group before applying?

IST's Research Computing Group works hand-in-hand with the Compute Canada Federation and the RAC Committee to validate that resource requests will be successful. With their help in understanding and crafting the technical section of your application, you can rest assured that what you have submitted will meet the technical requirements of the application.

How will my application be evaluated?

All applications will be evaluated for both technical feasibility and scientific excellence.

A technical evaluation reviews requests for resources to ensure that what is requested is feasible. Additionally, one of our eight peer-review committees will evaluate the scholarly pursuits that will be undertaken with the resources that have been requested.

Want to learn more about RAC and the evaluation process? Please visit:

<https://www.computeCanada.ca/research-portal/accessing-resources/resource-allocation-competitions/faq/>

Can I use the Compute Canada Federation's computing resources if I do not apply for RAC?

Yes, anyone with a Compute Canada Federation account has access to a shared pool of resources that are available for opportunistic use.

Learn more about the RAC competition at:

<https://www.computeCanada.ca/research-portal/accessing-resources/resource-allocation-competitions/>