

Alberta Innovates Campus Alberta Small Business Enterprise (CASBE) Program –

Stream II in conjunction with NSERC Alliance Advantage Grants

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The following information needs to be included in the Smartsimple proposal for **new CASBE (parallel)** applications:

- Completed NSERC Form 101 (draft)
  - $\circ~$  Must include both NSERC and AI(CASBE) activities
  - Explain clearly through a Gantt chart what activities (including timeline) are proposed to be supported by NSERC and what activities (including timeline) are proposed to be supported by AI
    - Often a good practice is to colour-code the AI (CASBE) and NSERC activities
    - The AI funding cannot be more than 2 years (although the NSERC activities can go more than 2 years if applicable)
  - Completed 183A (by the AB SME)
    - With essential company's information including signature
    - Under the Applicant information section, the PI's info appears
  - o Letter of Support from the AB SME
    - Ensure its commitment \$ in the letter (as applicable) matches with the number used elsewhere
  - No need to submit a separate budget file using the budget template available in SmartSimple
    - The detailed budget is submitted through NSERC 101 (draft) so there is no need to submit an additional budget justification
    - Please ensure the 101 draft has the budget portion including justification of the budget items

For the **NSERC pre-approved applications,** where CASBE submission is after NSERC has approved the Alliance Advance project, include the following information in the Smartsimple proposal:

- NSERC Full application Form 101 (that was submitted to NSERC)
- CASBE Project Scope Attach a Word document describing the new (additional) activities ("CASBE" activities) that will be covered by AI funding. There is no need to describe the NSERC activities in the Word document.
  - Add a Gantt chart to present the New CASBE activities <u>plus</u> the NSERC activities only for the CASBE project duration (i.e., maximum of 2 years)
    - A good practice is to colour-code the NSERC and CASBE (AI) activities
- Completed budget spreadsheet using the Budget template available in SmartSimple
  - Complete only for the AI portion of the project, i.e., only Year 1 and Year 2 (assuming it's a 2-yr project) columns need to be filled in
  - No need to show breakdown for NSERC's budget
- Justification of CASBE budget in a Word document (this page may be integrated with the CASBE scope of work Word document)
  - o Justify/describe the budget line items as presented in the completed CASBE budget spreadsheet
- Completed 183A (by the AB SME)
  - With essential company information including signature
  - Under the Applicant information section, this is the PI's information
- Letter of Support from the AB SME
  - New (additional) in-kind contributions from the AB SME, i.e., on top of what was committed in the approved NSERC application.
  - ~20-30% of total (CASBE) funding ask from Alberta Innovates is the suggested value of in-kind.
- NSERC Notice of Decision on the approved Alliance project
- Results of the Merit Evaluation and Reviewers' comments
- There is no need to attach a consent form (however this is referenced in the SmartSimple form)