

## Funding Opportunity Details

**Title:** Capacity Building Initiative (CBI) - François Dupéré Master's



### Important Dates:

<b>Applications Open</b>	December 1, 2025
<b>Applications Close</b>	March 8, 2026
<b>Anticipated Notice of Decision</b>	Summer 2026

### Description

This CBI is dedicated to a founding member of CPCoE's Advisory Council for Veterans, François (Franck) Dupéré, who passed away on 20 January 2021. Franck was an inspiration to the Veteran community. While deployed overseas in Afghanistan, Franck was severely wounded by a suicide bomber who detonated only six feet from where he was standing. Although doctors were not initially optimistic about his recovery, Franck's mental strength and relentless spirit allowed him to pull through a series of twenty medical operations. Not one to accept physical limitations, Franck recovered to participate in many expeditions, such as the International Four Days Marches Nijmegen, the Island Peak climb in Nepal, as well as the Kilimanjaro and Machu Picchu summits. Franck consistently shared his experiences with other Veterans, discussing topics such as resilience, motivation, and self-development.

To honour Franck and his lasting legacy, CPCoE established this CBI to support a Francophone graduate student conducting research at the Master's level in the field of Veterans' chronic pain.

For the purposes of this competition, CPCoE is using Statistics Canada's definition of 'Francophone.'<sup>2</sup> Click [here](#) for further information.

<sup>1</sup> François (Franck) Dupéré, founding member of the CPCoE's Advisory Council for Veterans.

<sup>2</sup> Statistics Canada. (30 November 2015). *Section 1 Definitions of Ontario's French-speaking population*. Retrieved from <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/89-642-x/2010001/article/section1-eng.htm>

## **Eligibility**

Candidates must:

- Be a Francophone Canadian citizen, or a Francophone Permanent Resident of Canada;
- Be registered in a Master's program at a recognized Canadian French-language university;
- Conduct supervised research in chronic pain with a focus on Canadian Armed Forces Veterans that is relevant to the CPCoE Vision and Mission;
- Demonstrate high academic achievement.

## **Funding Available**

The total amount available for this CBI is \$27,000 CAD per year for up to a maximum of two (2) years. Funding is available for up to one successful candidate.

## **How to Apply**

Please complete the CBI Application Form [here](#) and submit it, along with all required supporting documentation outlined in the application, to [research@vcp-vdc.ca](mailto:research@vcp-vdc.ca).

Applications must be eligible, complete, and submitted before the application deadline to be considered.

## **Adjudication**

All CBI applications are adjudicated by CPCoE. For reference when preparing your application, our Research Proposal Rating Scale used at the time of adjudication can be found [here](#).

## **Guidelines**

Click [here](#) to view our Research Administration Guide, which provides further information on application, review, results, funding, integrity, and Sex and Gender-Based Analysis Plus (SGBA)+. All applicants are expected to read these guidelines thoroughly before applying. Applications that do not adhere to these guidelines will not be considered.