

# Student Support Fund

## Evaluation Criteria

**Process Description:** In the partial lottery method, applications are first scored and ranked using the 5-point Likert scale. Any application that ranked within the top 50% of the budget threshold will be directly funded, and the remaining fundable applications are selected using the lottery.

1. **Impact to New Brunswick:** Does the proposal address a challenge and demonstrate potential impact for New Brunswick?
  - a. What is the potential for the project to advance knowledge within the reported sector?
  - b. How well does the PI articulate the potential impact on society, industry or the economy?
2. **Quality of Research Experience:** Does the proposal demonstrate a high-quality research experience with clearly outlined deliverables for the students?
  - a. Is the student's contribution meaningful towards the project's advancement and is this contribution clearly articulated?
  - b. What elements of the research process will they be exposed to?
  - c. Are the deliverables clearly outlined and do they align with the aim of the project?
  - d. Are there any dissemination activities (i.e. publication authorships, conferences, etc.) identified that the student will be participating in directly and is the type and number of activities appropriate to the student's academic level?
3. **Mentorship:** Does the proposal demonstrate how the project can positively impact the student's discipline-specific and transferable skills (technical and soft skills) development through mentorship and training?
  - a. Has the PI provided a structured mentorship and training plan?
  - b. Are there any reflection activities (i.e one-on-one check-ins) identified throughout the project duration and will the students be supported in identifying their gaps and goals?
  - c. Has the PI identified any partnerships and does the proposal clearly show that the student will have meaningful interaction with the partner?