



CAMCCO-L

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# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2026-2027 COHORT

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 15, 2026, 16:00 EDT**

**Join our 2026-2027 one-year curriculum cohort** to dive into a unique transdisciplinary learning experience that fosters peer learning, knowledge exchange, and collaboration.

## About CAMCCO-L

A free-of-charge bilingual (French and English) web platform offering a **transdisciplinary training program** in research (1-year curriculum), with a focus on **perinatal health, pregnancy and medications**.

A training program designed to **complement university academic programs** and train the next generation of Canadian scientists, **funded by CIHR** (Canadian Institutes of Health Research) and **supported by MICYRN** (Maternal Infant Child and Youth Research Network).

**Live online courses** (synchronous mode) held weekly **from October 2026 to May 2027**, fostering a **transdisciplinary learning approach** across 6 course modules:

Overarching Principles

Toxicology & Pharmacology

Pharmacogenomics

Pharmacoepidemiology

Methodology

Machine Learning

A **flexible training program with archived courses** allowing people registered on CAMCCO-L to access the **material and recordings of all courses** in which they are registered.

A **unique exchange environment** between trainees, CAMCCO-L alumni and mentors through its **discussion forum, journal clubs, webinars, and mentoring platform**.

A pan-Canadian team of **world-renowned researchers and mentors** from 11 universities across 7 provinces.

A training program that provides trainees with the knowledge, skills, and values needed to integrate transdisciplinary approaches into their research and collaborate across scientific disciplines and sectors.

# 1-Year CAMCCO-L Curriculum

## Trainees enrolled in the 1-year curriculum commit to:

- ✓ Registering for all courses in the **Overarching Principles Module**
- ✓ Registering for all courses in **at least 2 other course modules that are different** from their university training field
- ✓ **Attending all courses live** in the Overarching Principles Module and in the 2 other selected course modules
- ✓ Presenting an online **journal club**
- ✓ Presenting their research findings in person at the **CAMCCO Annual Meeting**
- ✓ Completing the **self-evaluation e-portfolio**
- ✓ Being matched with a **mentor** as part of the **CAMCCO-L Mentorship Program**
- ✓ **Acknowledging CAMCCO-L** in presentations and publications of their research findings
- ✓ Becoming a **CAMCCO-L alumnus** after completing the 1-year curriculum



Trainees receive a travel bursary to attend the CAMCCO Annual Meeting and SSM16.



July 4-10, 2026

**Summer School on Medicines (SSM16)** Optional activity  
In person in Toulouse (France)

September 2026

**Matching with a mentor**

October 2026 to May 2027

**Online courses**  
**Journal club presentation**



Spring 2027

**CAMCCO Annual Meeting**  
In person (Location TBD)

At anytime

**Practical research internship (with Mitacs)**  
Optional activity

Summer 2027



**Certificate of completion from CAMCCO-L/MICYRN**

Optional activities are not required to obtain the certificate

## Eligibility Criteria

To join the 2026-2027 cohort of the 1-year curriculum, you must:

1

Be enrolled in a **Canadian university** in a **graduate academic program** (MSc, PhD) or as a **postdoctoral fellow**, **OR** be an **early career researcher** (PhD, MSc or MD obtained less than 5 years ago)

2

**Conduct therapeutic research in one of the following areas:**

- Maternal, fetal and/or infant health (perinatal health)
- Developmental or fetal toxicity (teratology)
- Maternal-fetal or obstetric medicine

## Why Join the CAMCCO-L 1-Year Curriculum Cohort?

- To have the opportunity to apply for one of the five **CAMCCO-L student bursaries**
- To be part of a **vibrant community** of trainees and faculty from **different scientific backgrounds**
- To have **front row seats to the latest scientific developments** in the field of perinatal toxicology, pharmacogenomics, pharmacoepidemiology, methodology and machine learning
- To deepen your **transdisciplinary knowledge and expertise** and **broaden your career opportunities** across the perinatal research ecosystem
- To acquire **state-of-the-art methodology skills** to identify risks and benefits of medication use

# To Join the 2026-2027 Cohort

**Deadline to apply: May 15, 2026 at 16:00 EDT**

Create your CAMCCO-L account and **indicate that you wish to follow the 1-year curriculum** in the question provided for this purpose in the registration form.

**The CAMCCO-L program subscribes to equity, diversity and inclusion principles.** Indigenous peoples, racialized people, members of visible and ethnic minority groups as well as people with disabilities and LGBTQ2S+ people are strongly encouraged to apply.

## CAMCCO-L Bursaries

You may also apply to receive one of the five bursaries!

- 1) \$8,000 (CAD) to a master's student
- 2) \$10,000 (CAD) to a doctoral student
- 3) \$20,000 (CAD) to a postdoctoral fellow
- 4) \$8,000 to \$20,000 (CAD), depending on the academic degree, to a visible or ethnic minority student
- 5) \$8,000 to \$20,000 (CAD), depending on the academic degree, to a student member of Canada's Indigenous Peoples

Bursaries must be supplemented by a contribution from the research director of a minimum amount equivalent to the CAMCCO-L bursary.

### To Apply for a Bursary

1) After creating your CAMCCO-L account, go to the **Bursaries tab** in your CAMCCO-L Member Area \*

**\*Email [claudie.turcotte@camccol.ca](mailto:claudie.turcotte@camccol.ca) if you don't see the Bursaries tab**

2) Click on *Apply* for the CAMCCO-L bursaries and **submit the following documents in PDF:**

- Your CV (**max. 2 pages**)
- A motivation letter (**max. 1 page**) in which we invite you to discuss the **following items:**
  - The impact this bursary and/or CAMCCO-L training will have on you and your research
  - How your background demonstrates your resilience and your ability to work with expertise that are different from yours
- An abstract describing your research field and project (**max. 1 page**)
- A support letter from your research director (including the commitment for the bursary supplement) (**max. 1 page**)
- Your transcript (statement) of grades

### Bursary Evaluation Criteria

- Relevance of the research project in a therapeutic area with respect to: maternal, fetal and/or infant health (perinatal health); developmental or fetal toxicity (teratology); or maternal-fetal/obstetric medicine (**30%**)
- Academic excellence (**20%**)
- Relevant experience in therapeutic research or research on medications (**20%**)
- Motivation letter (**20%**)
- Support letter and commitment for the bursary supplement from the research director (**10%**)

**CAMCCO-L bursaries cannot be cumulated with other peer-reviewed bursaries (e.g., CIHR, FRQ-S, etc.) whose duration of award overlaps in whole or in part with the CAMCCO-L curriculum (September to June).**

