Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellowship Program 2016-2017

The Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellowships are designed to provide outstanding recent doctoral students advanced training in their field of study. These fellowships are not discipline specific, but rather can be held in any department or research unit across the Faculty of Arts & Science (*www.artsci.utoronto.ca*) at the University of Toronto. Applicants must secure sponsorship of a supervisor, or supervisors, from the professoriate within the Faculty of Arts & Science (FAS). These fellowships pay a stipend of \$45,000 per year for a maximum of two years.

Post-doctoral Applicant

- 1. As these fellowships are designed for relatively recent graduates, applicants must have completed all requirements for their doctorate degree no earlier than May 1, 2015.
- 2. Applicants cannot currently hold a tenure-track or continuing faculty position at a college or university.
- 3. Applicants may be citizens of any country, and from any university. Please note that successful international candidates must be able to meet all Canadian immigration requirements.
- 4. The application deadline is December 2, 2016, with start dates no earlier than May 1, 2017 and no later than December 1, 2017. Decisions will be made in mid-February 2017, and successful applications will have 6 weeks from the time the decisions are announced to accept or decline the fellowship.
- 5. Fellowships are only tenable within FAS at the University of Toronto. Proposed supervisor(s) must have a tenure-track or tenured appointment in FAS (i.e., fully appointed at the St. George campus) at the University of Toronto.

Application

- Submit your CV and a completed Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellowship application form (www.artsci.utoronto.ca/graduate/postdoctoral-fellowships/pdfs/fas-post-doc-applicationform.pdf) to the office of the Vice-Dean Research & Infrastructure (vdresearch.artsci@utoronto.ca). The form includes a one page research proposal where you should describe your proposed research project and highlight the importance and impact of the research, and how this research fits into your academic goals. Please note that reference list or bibliography are not necessary for the proposal.
- Arrange for your proposed supervisor(s) to send the Arts & Science Postdoctoral Supervisor form to the office of the Vice-Dean Research & Infrastructure (vdresearch.artsci@utoronto.ca). Note that only applications that have a corresponding Supervisor form will be considered.

Supervisors

1. Submit a completed Arts & Science Postdoctoral Supervisor form (www.artsci.utoronto.ca/graduate/postdoctoral-fellowships/pdfs/fas-post-doc-supervisorform.pdf) to the Vice-Dean Research & Infrastructure (vdresearch.artsci@utoronto.ca). Note that this form must be signed by the Chair or Director of the supervisor's unit before being submitted. Co-supervision requires signatures from the Chairs and/or Directors from the units of all the supervisors.

2. In the space provided, please comment on the applicant's research potential, the quality of the proposed research, the research environment and resources that will be available to the applicant, and how the fellowship will advance the applicant's career development.

Important Information

- 1. Please consult the information regarding postdoctoral fellowships at the University of Toronto on the website of the School of Graduate Studies (http://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/postdoctoralfellows/Pages/default.aspx).
- 2. Canadian citizens and Canadian permanent residents must have completed their PhD requirements no later than six months after their start-date of an Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellowship. International applicants must have completed their PhD requirements before the start date of an Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellowship. Note that completion does not mean convocation but rather the completion of all the requirements necessary for the PhD.
- 3. Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellows may not concurrently hold another post-doctoral fellowship. Canadian citizens and Canadian permanent resident applicants, however, are strongly encouraged to apply for the appropriate CIHR, NSERC, or SSHRC postdoctoral fellowships in addition to their Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellowship. To provide further incentive to apply to such funding agencies, if an applicant is awarded both an Arts & Science Fellowship and a CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC fellowship, FAS will provide an additional \$5,000 stipend to the CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC stipend for each year of the fellowship.
- 4. Employment as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Toronto is covered by the terms of the CUPE Unit 5 Collective Agreement. As such, the Arts & Science Postdoctoral Fellowships are posted in accordance with the CUPE Unit 5 Collective Agreement.
- 5. The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, members of sexual minority groups, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.