

CIHR Fellowship 2023-2024

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Description

CIHR's Health Research Training Strategy aims to equip research trainees so that they emerge from their training as scientific, professional or organizational leaders within and beyond the health research enterprise. Generating [Research Leaders of tomorrow](#) [2] is a key objective for CIHR.

Fellowships provide support for highly qualified applicants [in all areas of health research](#) [3] at the post-PhD degree or post-health professional degree stages to add to their experience by engaging in health research either in Canada or abroad.

It is expected that applicants integrate sex and gender perspectives into their research to promote rigorous science that has the potential to expand our understanding of health determinants for all people. As such, applicants are required to indicate how they will account for sex (biological factor) and gender (socio-cultural factor) in the research design, methods, analysis and interpretation, and dissemination of findings. For more information and resources, please see the [Sex, Gender and Health Research page](#) [4] on the CIHR website.

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are:

- To provide recognition and funding to academic health research trainees;
- To provide a reliable supply of highly skilled and qualified researchers.

Relevant Research Areas

Additional funds are available through this competition to support Fellowship award applications

in the following specific research areas:

- [Fellowship: Fall 2023 Priority Announcements \(Specific Research Areas\)](#) [5]

Eligibility

1. The Nominated Principal Applicant must be a [trainee](#) [6] (and maintain such status throughout the award duration) and meet the minimum commitment of 75% of their time in the proposed research training (Research plus Course Work) throughout the tenure of their award.
Note: For the purpose of this funding opportunity, trainees cannot hold or be on leave from an [independent research](#) [7] position.
2. A primary [supervisor](#) [8] must be identified on the application. An additional supervisor may also be identified.
3. As of the application deadline, the Nominated Principal Applicant must hold or be completing a PhD or a regulated health professional degree. The Nominated Principal Applicant must expect to complete all of the requirements of the degree by the latest possible date on which they can take up their award (see [Conditions of Funding](#) [9]). For examples of health professions, please consult the list [Eligible Health Professions](#) [10].
4. Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada are eligible to hold a CIHR Fellowship award in Canada or abroad. Nominated Principal Applicants who are neither Canadian citizens nor permanent residents of Canada may only hold a CIHR Fellowship award at a Canadian institution.
5. A recipient of a [CIHR doctoral-level award](#) [11] with a health professional degree may apply to the Fellowship funding opportunity no earlier than during the last year of their award. If a recipient of a CIHR doctoral-level award with a health professional degree applies to the Fellowship funding opportunity for doctoral support before the last year of the doctoral award, funding for the currently-held doctoral award will be cancelled as of the first potential effective date of the Fellowship award, even if the application is not successful through the Fellowship funding opportunity.
6. The Nominated Principal Applicant may submit only one (1) application per year (September 1 to August 31) for funding from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) or the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). However, individuals eligible to apply to the [Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships program](#) [12] or the [Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program](#) [13] may also submit an application to the CIHR Fellowship program (other exceptions may apply depending on the program objectives; these would be indicated in the specific funding opportunities).
7. The Nominated Principal Applicant must complete one of CIHR's three [interactive modules on sex and gender in research](#) [14] and include the completion certificate with their CIHR Fellowship application (see [How to Apply](#) [15] section for further details).

Funding Availability

The total amount available for this funding opportunity is approximately \$22,650,000.

Of this \$22,650,000:

- approximately \$21 million over five (5) years will be available for the open fellowships competition.
- \$1,650,000 will be available over five (5) years to fund at least six additional awards to support meritorious [Black research trainees](#) [16]

Maximum Project Value

The maximum amount awarded for a single award is up to \$60,000 per annum for up to five (5) years. The value and duration of each award is determined by the degree(s) held, licensure (where applicable), location of tenure and experience of the applicant.

The annual stipend level for:

- Trainees with a PhD degree is \$40,000 per annum.
- Health Professionals who hold licensure (full or educational) in Canada and have less than two (2) years of research or clinical training experience since the completion of their health professional degree is \$40,000 per annum. Upon completion of two (2) years of postgraduate research training, the awardee may be eligible to receive a stipend increase to the higher level.
- Health Professionals who hold licensure (full or educational) in Canada and have two (2) or more years of research or clinical training experience since the completion of their health professional degree is \$50,000 per annum.
- Health professionals who do not hold licensure in Canada is \$40,000 per annum. Upon obtaining licensure in Canada and two (2) years of research training, awardee may be eligible to receive a stipend increase to the higher level.

For awards physically held outside Canada, \$5,000 is added to the annual stipend.

Research allowance: \$5,000 per annum.

Indirect Costs

0%

Project Duration

The maximum duration of support, taking into account all [Tri-Agency federal funding](#) [17] held (see [Footnote](#) [18]1 [18]), will depend on the degree(s) held by the applicant. For holders of a:

- PhD degree, or PhD and health professional degrees, the maximum period of support is three (3) years minus the duration of any previous Tri-Agency support held at the postdoctoral researcher / post-health professional degree level (see examples of [postdoctoral/degree researcher programs](#) [19]).
- Health professional degree who are not requesting support to pursue a graduate degree, the maximum period of support is four (4) years minus the duration of any

previous Tri-Agency funding held at the postgraduate level (see examples of [Doctoral](#) [11] and [Master's](#) [20] programs).

- Health professional degree who are requesting support to pursue a graduate degree, the maximum period of support to complete the degree is five (5) years minus the duration of any previous Tri-Agency funding held at the postgraduate level (see examples of Doctoral and Master's).

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Thursday, September 28, 2023 - 11:59pm	<p>Applicant to submit copy of application, routing slip and signature page along with a complete OR5 form signed by the supervisor to research.services@uoguelph.ca [21].</p> <p>Applicant must hit the 'submit' button on or before the internal deadline for your application to not be considered late.</p> <p>When completing the application on ResearchNet, detailed instructions on the eApproval process are available in the "Electronic Approval tool - Applicant's Guide" under the Enter Proposal Information task, "Details" subtask.</p>
External Deadline	Thursday, October 5, 2023 - 4:30pm	<p>This Funding Opportunity participates in the eApproval [22] process. As such, once submitted the application will be electronically directed to the proposed Institution Paid for review and approval. The eApproval process allows Administrators at the Institution to review and</p>

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		electronically approve an application for which the applicant has identified their institution as the Institution Paid. Once the application is reviewed and approved by the Institution, it will be submitted electronically to CIHR on behalf of the applicant.

How to Apply

To complete your application, follow the instructions in the [Fellowship Awards - Application Instructions](#) [23].

- **Important:** Please read all instructions to familiarize yourself with the application process before applying.
- Consult the [CIHR Fellowship – Frequently Asked Questions](#) [24].

In order to ensure fairness in the evaluation of applications, CIHR will not accept updates to applications after the application deadline.

- Nominated Principal Applicants and their supervisor(s) are required to:
 - Have/obtain a [CIHR PIN](#) [25];
 - Complete the [Equity and Diversity Questionnaire](#) [26].

For Questions, please contact
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Toll Free: 1-888-603-4178
Email: support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca [27]

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Links

- [1] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3956&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E>
- [2] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50519.html>
- [3] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/43753.html#Health>
- [4] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50833.html>
- [5] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?progCd=11278&language=E&org=CIHR>
- [6] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html#t2>
- [7] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html#r6>
- [8] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/34190.html#s6>
- [9] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3956&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#guidelines>
- [10] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38886.html#an>
- [11] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50513.html#details-panel2>
- [12] <http://www.vanier.gc.ca/>
- [13] <http://banting.fellowships-bourses.gc.ca/>
- [14] <https://www.cihr-irsc-igh-isfh.ca/>
- [15] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3956&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#howtoapply>
- [16] https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/NewsDetail-DetailNouvelles_eng.asp?ID=1364
- [17] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3956&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#moreinformation>
- [18] <https://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?all=1&masterList=true&next=1&org=CIHR&prog=3956&resultCount=25&sort=program&type=EXACT&view=currentOpps&language=E#fn1>
- [19] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50513.html#details-panel3>
- [20] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50513.html#details-panel1>
- [21] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca>
- [22] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50805.html#g-6>
- [23] <https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38886.html>
- [24] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/44244.html>
- [25] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/38201.html>
- [26] <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/50959.html>
- [27] <mailto:support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca>
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