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Description

Mitacs Elevate is a two-year training program for postdoctoral fellows, in which participants lead and undertake an industrially relevant research project in any discipline. During this time, Fellows receive experiential training in R&D directly through their industry-academic research collaboration and leadership training and business acumen through the program's training curriculum. With a suite of skills development workshops and activities unique to Mitacs Elevate, Fellows learn about communication, leadership & management and other critical business skills relevant to R&D management careers in academia and industry. These training opportunities complement Fellows' specialized expertise and ensure they are ready to lead large-scale research project throughout their careers regardless of their academic disciplines.

Eligibility

- Postdoctoral fellows may apply if their date of graduation from a PhD program is no more than five years prior to the proposed start date of the research project.
- Fellows who have held an Accelerate award as a Master's or PhD student are also eligible to apply.
- Postdoctoral Fellows who have previously held an Elevate award are not eligible.
- Canadian citizens, permanent residents and international applicants are eligible to

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apply. They must be based at a university located in the same province as the partner organization for the duration of the fellowship.

• Supervisors must hold a faculty appointment and are eligible for Tri-Agency funds.

Maximum Project Value

The two-year postdoctoral award provides:

- \$55,000 annual funding (plus \$7,500 per year non-cash value in training)
- Exclusive, customized professional development training
- Long-term collaborative research project with a non-academic partner

Note: Fellows receive a stipend/salary of at least \$50,000 per year. Partners contribute \$25,000 per year and Mitacs contributes \$30,000 per year for a total grant of \$55,000 per year. This includes support for fellows and up to \$5,000 in research costs for equipment, additional research personnel, conference travel and publication. A \$5,000 contribution from the academic supervisor or university is required in lieu of provincial funding.

Indirect Costs

0%

Project Duration

Projects are two years in length and must start by **September 5, 2017**, after the proposal is approved **and** Mitacs has received the partner funds, as per Mitacs Policy.

Special Notes

- 1. Letter of intent and Conflict of Interest declaration: **January 25, 2017**, by **8pm EST**. Applicant sends LOI to: elevate@mitacs.ca [9].
- 2. Pre-review of draft applications: **February 8, 2017**, by **8pm EST**. Applicant sends draft to: elevate@mitacs.ca [9].
 - Note: Letters of intent and pre-review are not required to submit full applications

Deadlines

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

Type Date Notes

Internal Deadline Wednesday, February 15, 2017

- 4:00pm Please submit the full

application along with signed

OR-5 form (supervisor)

to:

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External Deadline Wednesday, February 22, 2017

- 4:00pm Intern/supervisor submits

application package

to: elevate@mitacs.ca [9]

How to Apply

A completed Application Package consists of the following:

- A completed application form [11]
- A memorandum signed by all parties, including relevant university research office, submitted as a scanned PDF
- Applicant's CV
- Proposed academic supervisor's CV
- Three letters of support maximum:
 - One (1) letter of support from the proposed academic supervisor
 - One (1) letter of support from a former supervisor or person familiar with the fellow's research expertise
 - One (1) letter of support from an eligible partner organization on partner organization letterhead that confirms the amount of the financial commitment
- Any supplementary documents as applicable

Please note: Please submit the documents of your package as separate documents (**not** one combined document).

Complete submission packages must be emailed to: elevate@mitacs.ca [9].

For Questions, please contact

For questions or more information, please contact us at elevate@mitacs.ca [9].

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- [1] https://www.mitacs.ca/en
- [2] http://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/elevate?utm_source=Mitacs+Calls+for+Proposals&ut m_campaign=e1ef19e913-Mitacs-Elevate-Call-ENG-

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- [3] http://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/elevate/program-details
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- [5] https://www.mitacs.ca/sites/default/files/uploads/page/mitacs_conflict_of_interest_declaration mar2015.docx
- [6] http://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/elevate/how-apply

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http://www.mitacs.ca/sites/default/files/resources/writing_your_elevate_proposal_may_2016.pdf

- [8] http://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/elevate/faq
- [9] mailto:elevate@mitacs.ca
- [10] mailto:Research.services@uoguelph.ca
- [11] http://www.mitacs.ca/sites/default/files/resources/mitacs_elevate_proposal_application.zip
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