

2023 Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Program

As the most prestigious postdoctoral award in Canada, the [Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship Program](#) provides the opportunity to bring top talent to join the research community at Western. Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships are awarded to the very best postdoctoral researchers, both nationally and internationally, who will positively contribute to Canada's economic, social and research-based growth. At Western, the internal Banting selection process is managed by the SGPS. For official information, regulations and procedures, visit the [Banting website](#).

To access the Vanier-Banting Academic CV template, visit the [Canadian Common CV site](#). Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person.

A full Banting package, including the referee assessments, is to be submitted by the Faculties to mharmos@uwo.ca by **July 25th, 2022, at 11:59 EDT, NO EXCEPTIONS**. All documents must be formatted in keeping with the presentation standards for attached documents as set out by Banting. Incomplete or ineligible applications or applications that do not conform to the Banting presentation standards for attached documents will be considered ineligible for institutional endorsement. The Institutional Letter of Endorsement is not required. Applicants selected for institutional endorsement will be provided with a completed Institutional Letter of Endorsement via email in advance of the national competition deadline.

Value

\$70,000/year; two-year duration

Number of Awards

70 fellowships awarded each year

Eligibility

Please refer to the [eligibility guidelines](#) on the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship website.

Canadian citizens, permanent residents of Canada and foreign citizens are eligible to apply.

- Applicants for the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Program must fulfill or have fulfilled all degree requirements for a PhD, PhD-equivalent or health professional degree

between within a specific window – approximately 4 years – see [guidelines](#); and before the start of the award.

- Only in exceptionally rare circumstances will a Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship be awarded to an applicant who is staying at the same institution where they completed their PhD, PhD- equivalent or health professional degree. In such cases, a solid justification – related for example to availability of highly unique equipment - must be provided. Current postdoctoral fellows already at the institution must also justify the decision to continue at the same location.
- Applicants must not hold a tenure-track or tenured faculty position.

Application Details

Please refer to the [application guide](#) on the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship website.

- A competitive application must excel in the following three evaluation criteria ([click here](#) for more details)
 - Applicant's research excellence and leadership in the research domain
 - Quality of applicant's proposed research program
 - Institutional commitment and demonstrated synergy between applicant and institutional strategic priorities.
- Applicants intending to take up the fellowship at Western should first contact their fellowship supervisor to request the support of their application.
- Applicants should consult Important Dates for Faculty Deadlines.

Application Process

Western has a 3-stage application process to review applications from potential applicants, select the most competitive applicants and provide them the Institutional Letter of Endorsement to be submitted along with the application package by the applicants.

All candidates are responsible for meeting any Western internal deadlines set by their Faculties and/or departments. Please consult with your unit for any internal procedures and/or deadlines.

Stage 1

Faculty-led Selection Committees, coordinated by Associate Deans Graduate, with SGPS participation, select excellent applications to be nominated by Western. Committees require the complete application package, minus 2 pages of the supervisor letter and, in lieu of referee letters, a brief email from each referee confirming that they will provide a letter. The application package must be submitted to the Faculty Graduate Office no later than **June 15, 2022**, via email: graded@uwo.ca

Stage 2

Nominees and their supervisors complete all components of the application package including referee letters. Complete application packages provided to SGPS no later than **July 25th, 2022**.

Stage 3

SGPS works with nominees and supervisors to refine the packages.

Western Internal Banting Competition Deadline

Monday, July 25th, 2022, at 11:59 PD EDT, **no exceptions.**

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