

Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Competition

Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU)

Letter of Intent (LOI) Form

Note: Before submitting this LOI, you must have an agreement to supervise from a TMU professor.

Please submit this LOI form and the three attachments (CCV, Statement of Proposed Research, and Supervisor Statement) in PDF format through the [Toronto Metropolitan University Banting LOI Submission Site](#) by **Monday, June 3 (5:00 pm EST)**.

Note: Incomplete LOI applications and applications that do not follow the formatting guidelines will not be considered.

Candidate Information

Last Name:

First Name:

Email Address (it is recommended that you use a university email address):

Current University/Location:

Toronto Metropolitan University

Other – Please Specify:

Title of Proposed Research Project:

Provide up to 10 keywords:

TMU Supervisor Information

Supervisor's Last Name:

Supervisor's Email Address:

Supervisor's Telephone Number:

Supervisor's Department/School:

Supervisor's Faculty:

Please indicate the [Tri-Council Agency](#) expected to review the application:

- CIHR
- NSERC
- SSHRC

What is your current citizenship? (All citizenships are eligible)

- Canadian Citizenship
- Canadian Permanent Resident
- Other – Please Specify:

What is your highest degree completed or in process?

- PhD
- PhD-equivalent – Please Specify:
- Health Professional Degree

Name of the institution conferring PhD or highest degree:

Country of the institution conferring PhD or highest degree:

If the institution conferring your PhD or highest degree is TMU, you are considered an internal candidate and you must provide an explanation below. Refer to the section on “Justification for remaining in PhD research environment” on the [Banting Special Circumstances page](#). Please describe for the University Review Committee the exceptionally rare circumstances why your proposed research must remain within the TMU research environment:

Date (day/month/year) of fulfillment, or expected fulfillment, of all degree requirements*:

*This is the date that you completed all steps required for obtaining your degree (e.g., thesis defense corrections and thesis deposition; not the convocation date). Should you receive a TMU nomination, this date will need to be authorized by the institution which conferred the degree on Banting's [Fulfillment of Degree Requirements Form](#). Note that this date should match the date on your CCV.

Is this date within Banting's [3-year eligibility window](#) (between **September 15, 2021 and September 30, 2025** inclusively)?

Yes No

If you answered No, did you complete your degree within the 5-year window due to identified [special circumstances](#)? Please specify "Special circumstances related to degree completion timeline" below:

Yes No

Special circumstances related to degree completion timeline:

If selected to apply to Banting, applicants are encouraged to discuss their productivity in terms of research/leadership opportunities that were available to them in the [Special Circumstances](#) attachment of their application. Please include a description of any special circumstances that may have affected your record of research achievement. Common examples include parental leave, child rearing, illness, disability, cultural, community or family responsibilities, socio-economic factors, access to research/leadership opportunities or relocation of your research environment.

Do you currently hold a CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC postdoctoral award (fellowship)?

Yes No

If you answered Yes, will the funding end before **September 30, 2025***?

Yes No

*Applicants who currently hold or have held CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC postdoctoral fellowships are eligible to apply to the 2024-25 Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program **only** if the term of that funding officially ends on or before September 30, 2025 and prior to the start of the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship. Early termination of the agency-specific postdoctoral award for the purpose of application to the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program is not permitted.

Will you hold a tenure-track or tenured faculty position at the time of application? (Note that applicants must not hold a tenure-track or tenured faculty position, nor can they be on leave from such a position.)

Yes No

Please update the grant officer if this changes.

Identify which [Strategic Priorities](#) your project belongs to:

- Urban Innovation
- Justice, Equity & Society
- Culture & Creativity
- Work, Skills, Industry
- Health & Well-Being
- Technology & Intelligent Systems

Supervisor Obligations:

Banting PDF Awards are administered by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and are paid out as a stipend-type of award to the host institution. If awarded, it will only cover the salary and not the benefits cost of the PDF (*i.e.* benefits are an ineligible expenditure under Banting). Benefits are estimated at 18% of the salary, or \$12,600 per year for 2 years and must be covered by other eligible sources.

I understand that Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship LOIs require a commitment to provide benefits payments if the candidate is successful in receiving the award, and that I will need to provide a cost-centre with sufficient funds to YSGPS before the application is submitted to Banting Canada.

Name of Supervisor:

Signature of Supervisor: