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Memorandum

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Subject: 2022 Postdoctoral Fellowships – Call for Applications

Please share this notice broadly with your networks.

The Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (LA&PS), York University, is pleased to announce the 2022 call for applications to the **LA&PS Postdoctoral Fellowship** program. The Guidelines and Application Instructions are [available online here](#). While the guidelines provide details concerning the submission process and application instructions, a cursory overview of the program, eligibility and application timelines is offered here.

Program Objectives

Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (LA&PS) Postdoctoral Fellowships (PDFs) will support promising Canadian or International new scholars in the humanities, social sciences and professional studies.

LA&PS especially welcomes applications for research projects that aim to foster new collaborations with the York LA&PS community. Topics may be Canadian or international in scope. Applicants must indicate a full-time LA&PS faculty member who will act as supervisor, and projects should be closely aligned with the current research of that person, who will need to provide a letter of support. Proposals should also align with the [York University Academic Plan](#).



Number of Fellowships

At total of four (4) Fellowships are available in this call for submissions. No more than one (1) Fellowship will be awarded to an applicant who received their PhD from York University.

2022-2023 Special Initiative - *Championing Indigenous & Black Scholars*: In recognition of the lack of research development opportunities for emerging Indigenous and Black scholars, the 2022-23 competition will give priority for up to two Fellowships to qualified applicants who self-identify as an Indigenous Person of Canada and/or a Black person of African Descent (for example, Africans and African heritage people from the Caribbean, Americas, Europe).

Eligibility-Applicants

Eligible applicants should have completed a PhD in a relevant field from a recognized postsecondary institution no earlier than July 1, 2020. If applicants experienced career interruptions due to maternity, parental, medical, bereavement leaves, their window of eligibility will be credited with twice the amount of time taken. Applicants who currently hold a postdoctoral fellowship must explain in the proposal how the proposed LA&PS PDF is distinct from any previous postdoctoral appointment(s). PhD Candidates may only apply if a dissertation defense date prior to the start of the Fellowship has been confirmed. Awards to PhD Candidates are contingent on the completion of the doctoral degree. If a successful PhD Candidate applicant fails to complete the PhD before the start date of the Fellowship, the Fellowship offer will be rescinded. Successful applicants must be eligible to work in Canada.

LA&PS PDFs are classified as [Postdoctoral Visitors](#). Postdoctoral Visitors are included in the York University Faculty Association (YUFA). An electronic copy of the YUFA Collective Agreement is accessible through the following website: <http://fr.info.yorku.ca/>

Eligibility-Supervisors

Only Full-Time, Tenured or Tenure Track York University Faculty Association (YUFA) Faculty Members whose home unit is in LA&PS are eligible to be Supervisors for LA&PS PDFs.

A LA&PS faculty member may act as Supervisor for only one (1) submission to the competition per application cycle.

Deadline, Value and Start Date

Fellowships are effective from July 1, 2023, with an annual salary of \$50,000 per year, paid monthly. Appointments will be for one year, and cannot be renewed.

Applications are due to the LA&PS Research Office by email (lapsrsc@yorku.ca) by 4:00 PM, Eastern Time, on Monday, December 5, 2022.

All applications require a statement of support from an eligible LA&PS Supervisor. Full details on application requirements and templates are provided in the Guidelines and Application Instructions.