



# UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

## OISE | ONTARIO INSTITUTE FOR STUDIES IN EDUCATION

### Call for Applications: Postdoctoral Fellowship for Indigenous and Black Researchers

The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE) at the University of Toronto invites applications from outstanding Indigenous and Black postdoctoral researchers interested in working under the supervision of an OISE faculty member. OISE faculty conduct research in a wide range of disciplines, including education, psychology, and related fields in the social sciences and humanities.

Successful applicants will be nominated by OISE for the Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship, a prestigious and competitive award designed to enable Indigenous and Black researchers to grow their scholarly profiles, undertake academic work at the University of Toronto, and strengthen the research environment at the University with diverse perspectives.

#### Value and Duration

A limited number of awards are available across the University. Each award provides \$70,000 per year to support up to two years of postdoctoral salary and benefits. This amounts to an annual salary of approximately \$63,000 plus benefits. In addition, OISE will provide \$5,000 per year in start-up funding to successful nominees. Fellowships must begin by December 31, 2020 and will be for a maximum of two years in duration.

#### Eligibility

OISE will consider applications from postdoctoral scholars who meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrate academic excellence and high potential for success in their field;
- Identify as Indigenous and/or Black;
- Have completed all degree requirements for a doctoral degree no earlier than 2015 and no later than 2020;
- Will not concurrently hold another major fellowship or faculty position;
- Have the support of an OISE faculty member in a closely related research area who is willing to put forward the nomination and to serve as supervisor.

Applications from both Canadian and non-Canadian applicants are welcome.

#### Application Procedure & Timeline

1. Applicants should identify a faculty member in one of OISE's four departments who is willing to put forward the nomination and to serve as supervisor if the application is successful. There should be a close fit between the research interests of the faculty member and the applicant.

Applicants are invited to browse OISE faculty profiles and contact information at these links:

- By research area: [https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/research/Faculty\\_Research\\_Areas.html](https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/research/Faculty_Research_Areas.html)
- By department:  
[https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/research/Faculty\\_Research\\_Areas\\_2.html](https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/research/Faculty_Research_Areas_2.html)

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact a potential faculty supervisor as early as possible—by March 10 is recommended—in order to allow sufficient time for preparation of other application materials, including the supervisor’s nomination letter, by April 1, 2020.

2. Once an OISE faculty member has agreed in principle to nominate the applicant, the applicant should submit the following materials to the faculty member:
  - A detailed and current CV;
  - A statement of research intent (maximum two pages), outlining the research to be carried out during the fellowship.
3. If the OISE faculty member supports the application, they should forward the application materials together with a nomination letter to the OISE selection committee at [oise.research@utoronto.ca](mailto:oise.research@utoronto.ca) by **April 1, 2020**.
4. The OISE selection committee will evaluate eligible applications and select a limited number of nominations of the highest quality for advancement to the university-wide competition by May 1, 2020.
5. Final results of the competition are expected to be known in June 2020, and applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application.

### **Selection Criteria**

Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Excellence of the nominee’s research proposal;
- Excellence of the nominee’s CV;
- The strength of the proposed supervisor’s nomination letter, including the anticipated mutual research benefits for applicant and supervisor.

Please note that submission of an application does not guarantee nomination by an OISE faculty member or advancement by OISE to the university-wide competition for the Provost’s Postdoctoral Fellowship.

## About OISE

The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education has, for more than a century, made major contributions to advancing education, human development and professional practice around the world. OISE was ranked 7th in the world for Education by the 2019 QS World University Rankings, holding first rank in the subject among Canadian institutions and among public universities in North America. With a network of approximately 100,000 alumni, over 3,000 students, 4 graduate departments, and 15 research centres, ours is an intellectually rich and supportive community, guided by the highest standards of scholarship and a commitment to equity and social justice. For more information, please visit OISE's homepage at: <http://www.oise.utoronto.ca>.

Established in 1827, the University of Toronto is Canada's largest and most research-intensive university and the only Canadian university to be named in the top 25 in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. Located in and around Toronto, one of the world's most diverse cities, the University of Toronto's vibrant academic life is enhanced by the cultural diversity of its own and surrounding community.