

HBI Postdoctoral Award Application Form: Supplementary Information

(review this section prior to starting application)

Applicant Information Section:

Fill in the information as best as possible.

Award Section:

Select all the awards you would like to apply for.

Postdoctoral Applicant Information:

By actual or anticipated start date of onboarding, we mean the date you were hired (or will be hired) into your role as a Postdoctoral Fellow here at the U of C. If you were at the U of C before your fellowship (such as an Undergrad, Master's or PhD Student), do not include this date. This can also be the start date of your program.

For proposed start date of the award, you can put as early as September 1st, 2026 or your anticipated start date of your training program, whichever one is later. Please consult the Terms of the Reference for your award if using the anticipated start date to ensure compliance with the terms.

In addition, include relevant academic interruptions in your career progress, please provide an explanation indicating the period and reasons for the interruption (i.e. Parental Leave, Bereavement Leave, Sabbatical, Work Experience). Describe how these interruptions have affected your career plan.

Supervisor Information

Included the CCV of your supervisor (and any co-supervisor if applicable) in the style of CIHR Project Bio sketch format (information found [here](#)).

Ensure your supervisor provides you with an outline of their participation in HBI-related educational activities over the last 5 years, including student committee involvement, teaching/seminar activities, committee work relative to the educational mandate of the HBI, etc. This should not exceed $\frac{3}{4}$ of a page.

If your student is applying for the HBI Inspires, please make a note of your EDIA contributions and training philosophy, similar to the HQP section on NSERC. If you are filling in this, you can increase the Participation of supervisor page to 1 full page in length.

Research Project:

Project Lay Abstract: Describe the project in a way that is accessible to a lay audience. Indicate how the proposed research can improve personal health, health of populations, and/or health delivery system(s).

Project Summary:

- The research project summary should be completed in collaboration with the proposed supervisor(s).
- The research project summary should be written in general scientific language, which is an important skill to acquire for future success in the research environment as applications are reviewed by multi-disciplinary committees.
- Include the specific hypothesis of the research and describe the applicant's role on the project.

- The research project summary is among the most important parts of the application. Applicants and their supervisor(s) should ensure that it provides a concise account of the subject matter, an overview of each part of the research plan, specific project aims, and the methodology. The summary should reflect the significance of the project.
- Do not include figures or tables.

Other information: Make sure to answer all sets of questions. If you answered yes to any of the first three questions, for each yes, make sure to provide in your application any ethics approvals or supporting documentation.

Are sex (biological) or gender (socio-cultural) considerations taken into account? Indicate if [sex \(biological\)](#) / [gender \(socio-cultural\)](#) considerations are taken into account in this study. For a guide to [sex and gender-based analysis](#), please consult the CIHR website. If applicable, describe how sex and/or gender will be considered in the research design (do not exceed half page*).

Spinal Cord, Nerve Injury & Pain (SCNIP) Grad/Postdoc Award (if applicable):

Please make sure your primary supervisor is a part of the SCNIP team. As well, please be clear in how your research aligns with the SCNIP team mandate. You only need to fill this in if you checked off the box in the Award section.

HBI Inspires Postdoctoral Award (if applicable):

*if you elected to apply for a HBI Inspires Postdoctoral Award, make sure that your supervisor has made note of their EDIA contributions and training philosophy in their section or has attached a separate page listing them.

As well, please note that a definition of low socioeconomic background can be found [here](#).

You are not required to identify which of the listed qualifications apply to your application. However, you might find it easier in your answers to identify those qualifications. Please note that your responses will be kept confidential and only used in evaluation to this specific award.

Open Science Award (if applicable):

Make sure you have read the Open Science principles (found [here](#)). As such, please provide your reasoning how your work will apply to those principles in the space provide. Please note that this only applies if you selected the box in the award section.

In addition to the application form requirements, you are expected to submit a CCV in either the CIHR Bio sketch Format or in one of the U of C formats as found [here](#). Make sure to list research work experience and University Academic Achievements such as honors, prizes, and awards

All text should be no smaller than size 10 and in a readable font such as Arial.

Applications should include the application form, lay abstract, project summary, references used in project summary, your CV, Supervisor contributions to HBI and their CV(s), as well as any answers to questions for other awards. It is possible other documents could be required depending on application, but these are the minimums.

Your reference letters are also expected but those should come from your reference to HBI education email directly.

This is a summary of the awards that could be offered in a competition. Please see the website for more details.

Award name	Who can apply	Amount (annual)	Requirements
Harley Hotchkiss-Samuel Weiss Postdoc Fellowship	Open to all Postdoctoral Fellows whose primary supervisor is a Full HBI member	\$30,000.00/yr 2-year award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to HBI Grad PDF • Must not have a current active award over \$25,000.00/year • External applicants (those not yet started at U of C) must start fellowship within 9 months of application deadline. Current U of C Postdocs must be within 18 months of starting their fellowship at the time of application deadline • For current U of C postdocs, award must start within 3 months of award notification • Funding cannot be allocated to a PDF remaining in the laboratory where they received their PhD • The host laboratory must match the HBI contribution through commitment of an additional minimum \$25,000/year
Spinal Cord, Nerve Injury & Pain (SCNIP) Fellowship	Open to postdoc fellows whose supervisor is a part of SCNIP	\$25,000.00 1-year award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to Postdocs whose supervisor is in the SCNIP team • Must not hold a major external or University fellowship • Research project must fit the mandate of SCNIP

HBI International Postdoctoral Recruitment Fellowship	<p>Open to international Postdoctoral Fellows (non citizen or permanent resident) whose primary supervisor is a Full HBI member</p>	<p>\$30,000.00/yr 2-year award</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to HBI Fellows who are international Postdocs. • Must not hold a major (over \$25,000/year) external or University fellowship • Must be within 12 months after the program start date and 6-11 months of starting • Funding cannot be allocated to a Postdoc remaining in the laboratory where they received their PhD
The HBI Inspires Postdoctoral Fellowship in Neuroscience	<p>Open to HBI postdoctoral fellows with EDIA considerations</p>	<p>\$30,000.00/yr 2-year award</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HBI postdocs who identify as Black, Indigenous, other racialized minority, LGBTQ2S+, people with a disability, and individuals from low socioeconomic backgrounds who were first generation postsecondary students (undergraduate degree) • Current U of C Postdocs and those who anticipate starting a fellowship within the next year can apply • Must not have an active award over \$25,000.00, and withing 12 months of their start date • Must start award funding within 6 months of application deadline date

T. Boone Pickens Emerging Leaders Postdoctoral Fellowship	Open to all Postdoc Fellows in HBI	\$30,000.00/yr 2-year award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to HBI Postdocs • Must not have an active award over \$25,000.00/year • External applicants (those not yet started at U of C) must start fellowship within 9 months of application deadline. Current U of C Postdocs must be within 18 months of starting their fellowship at the time of application deadline • Funding cannot be allocated to a Postdoc remaining in the laboratory where they received their PhD • The host laboratory must match the HBI contribution through commitment of an additional minimum \$25,000/year
Open Science Award	Open to all HBI Students	\$1,000.00	Open to HBI students whose research promotes Open Science who apply for one of the HBI education competitions

N.B 1) With few exceptions, trainees can only be supported by an internal HBI award once during their tenure at the HBI

2) An HBI member can only receive funding from either the Harley Hotchkiss, RHISE or T. Boone Pickens programs for one PDF at a time