Here is your May 2023 guide to all things postdoc at YorkU.

Financial Opportunities

**CCS Research Training Awards**  
*Abstract Deadline: May 1*  
The Research Training Awards objective is to support growth and foster innovation for the next generation of cancer researchers across Canada through a comprehensive approach including mentorship, training, and knowledge-sharing. These awards also aim to build inclusive capacity in cancer research and recognizing this we encourage and support applicants from Black and Indigenous communities to apply for this opportunity.  
[Learn more](#)

**AGE-WELL Postdoctoral Awards in Technology and Aging**  
*Deadline: May 12*  
AGE-WELL Postdoctoral Awards in Technology and Aging provide funding to highly qualified postdoctoral candidates and provide them with access to training and mentorship opportunities through the AGE-WELL Network of Centres of Excellence. Interested applicants are encouraged to attend a virtual info session on these awards and fellowships on March 28 (EN) or March 29 (FR). For application questions please contact training@agewell-nce.ca.  
[Learn more](#)

**Science & SciLifeLab Prize for Young Scientists**  
*Deadline: July 15*  
The prize is awarded annually to one young scientist for outstanding life science research for which they were awarded a
doctoral degree in the previous two years. The topic of the entrant's thesis research must be in one of the following categories: Cell and Molecular Biology; Genomics, Proteomics, and Systems Biology approaches; Ecology and Environment; Molecular Medicine.

Learn more

Important Information

Victoria Day Holiday—University closed
Monday, May 22
This is a reminder that classes are cancelled and the university is closed Monday, May 22 in recognition of the Victoria Day holiday.

Learn more

Postdoctoral Supervisor of the Year Award
Deadline: June 1
Recognition will be given to one Postdoctoral Supervisor who has demonstrated exemplary support for postdoctoral scholars at York University, exceeding general supervisory expectations.

Learn more

In The News

Research calls for governance of wildlife trade in pandemic treaty
Researchers from York University’s Faculty of Health have co-authored a study investigating the governance of pandemic prevention in the context of wildlife trade. Published in The Lancet Planetary Health, the research considers the current institutional landscape for pandemic prevention and how prevention of zoonotic spillovers from the wildlife trade for human consumption should be incorporated into a pandemic treaty.

Learn more

Professor becomes York’s first School of Nursing doctoral graduate
Ramesh Venkatesa Perumal, a sessional assistant professor in the Faculty of Health, became the first doctoral graduate of York’s School of Nursing program on Feb. 21 when he successfully defended his dissertation, “Impact of social support and mentoring on career advancement of internationally educated nurses."

Learn more

Events

CAGS Workshop Series for Graduate Students and Postdocs—Anti-Racism Response Training (ART)
Online, Thursday, May 25, 11:30am–2:30pm and 3:30–6:30pm
Back by popular demand, CAGS is pleased to offer another round of this important and timely 3 hour workshop designed to build awareness around issues of race and racism in Canadian higher education. This workshop will introduce attendees to the concepts of active versus passive witnessing, and help to instill a better understanding of the impacts of racist encounters on both victims and bystanders. The workshop is premised on the active-witnessing model, in which participants will learn enhanced techniques for intervening and disrupting racism in their institutions and in their daily lives. Participants will have the opportunity to learn and practice a wide range of anti-racism responses, and to share their own experiences. Registration closes on Sunday, 21 May at 9:00pm (ET).

Register

Beyond the Professoriate’s 10th Annual Online Career Conference for PhDs
Online, Monday, May 1–Saturday, May 6, 12:00–1:00pm
This year’s conference continues our mission to empower PhDs to explore their career options and build meaningful careers. The workshops will help you build a foundation for your job search strategy and the career panels will help you learn about career options and what it takes to pursue a nonacademic career with a Humanities, Social Science, or STEM
Online Banting Information Session

*Online, Thursday, June 1, 1:00–2:30pm*
Of interest to potential applicants and supervisors, this online session will include an overview of the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship application process at York, a discussion of the evaluation criteria, and a Q & A.

**Register**

Postdoc Drop-in

*Thursday, May 18, 3:00pm*
The online sessions are meant to be an informal opportunity to cover issues of interest to postdocs and provide an opportunity to connect with your postdoc colleagues remotely. Password: 634453.

**Participate**

Enhancing Your Experience

**National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity (NCFDD)**
NCFDD provides on-demand access to mentoring, tools, and support you need to be successful in the Academy. To access, navigate to "Become a Member", select York University as your institutional member and register with your @yorku.ca email address.

**POLARIS (Place for Online Learning for the Adjudication of Researchers Inclusively and Supportively)**
POLARIS is for anyone who is called upon in their job to rank, judge, adjudicate, or provide feedback on researchers and their applications.

**Beyond the Professoriate’s Career Training Platform for Post-Docs**
Beyond the Professoriate’s Career Training Platform is an eLearning platform with on-demand, self-paced learning modules that allow PhDs and Postdocs to explore career options and discover ways to apply the skills acquired through their education. Content consists of videos, exercises and information for students in the areas of Arts, Social Sciences, STEM, Business, and Education. You can access the modules in any order and if you decide to complete 7 core modules, you earn a certificate of completion.

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