

## **YORK UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S RESEARCH IMPACT AWARD**

The York University President's Research Impact Award recognizes full-time, active faculty members whose body of research or scholarship has translated into a notable impact on communities, individuals, public policies or practice beyond academe, or translated successfully into impactful commercial or other applications, while significantly and positively contributing to the University's research culture and reputation.

### **AWARD VALUE**

One \$7,500 internal research grant deposited to the recipient's generic research cost centre.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- This award is open to all individuals with tenure-stream appointments at York.
- Nominees must have been appointed at York for at least five years.  
NOTE: "Nominee" refers to an individual or a team leader.
- The Award recognizes notable, high profile, continuing research impact.
- The recognized research impacts may have been achieved at the local, national and/or international level(s), which will be considered with equal weight.
- Faculty members on the adjudication committee are not eligible for nomination. A member of the Senate Committee on Awards nominated for this award must step down from the Committee.

### **NOMINATION CRITERIA**

The nominee's achievements must be documented to demonstrate fulfillment of the following general requirements:

- The body of research and scholarship should have a notable impact on communities, individuals, public policies or practice beyond academe, or have been translated successfully into impactful commercial or other applications.
- The nomination should include details of the research impact directly linked to their scholarship.

Nominees must have demonstrated their leadership not only as outstanding researchers, but also as notable contributors to York's external community. Examples may include, but are not limited to:

- active engagement with community groups, government agencies, not-for-profit organizations
- research results that have affected policy or practice within companies, organizations, government
- active engagement in commercialization activities

- active engagement in knowledge mobilization activities
- visible presence in electronic media

While the principal criteria are set out above, York strongly values diversity and equity within its research community and encourages nominations of those who are under-represented in recent competitions.

## **CAREER INTERRUPTIONS**

When considering award nominations, the Senate Committee on Awards will take into consideration any career interruptions or special circumstances that may affect a nominee's eligibility or have had an adverse impact on their record of achievement. The nature and length of the interruption should be explained. A career interruption occurs when a nominee is taken away from their academic work for an extended period of time for health, family, or other reasons. Acceptance of non-academic employment does not constitute a career interruption or special circumstance.

## **NOMINATION PROCESS**

A complete nomination includes a nomination form, letter of nomination, nominee's current curriculum vitae, and confidential letters of support (a maximum of three, from the external community). See below for more information on each component of the file.

## **NOMINATION FILE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

This year, nominations may be submitted via the [MachForm](#) available on the Awards webpage. The MachForm includes all the components of the Nomination File set out below.

Complete files must be submitted by **Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.** and include the following:

- **Nominator's Letter** – The nominator's letter must explain how the nominee / research team meets the award's criteria. It will serve as the core of each nomination file. It should outline:
  - Evidence of the nominee's / team's sustained research impact directly linked to the nominee's or research team's research and scholarship at the local, national, and/or international level(s)
  - Contributions the nominee has made to furthering York's external reputation
- **Nominee's Current Curriculum Vitae**
- **For team nominations** – Provide a one-page explanation of the relationship of the team to the overall impact of the research.
- **Confidential Letters of Support** – A maximum of three letters of support, all must be from the external community.

To ensure equal consideration and treatment of all nominees, **additional documentation will not be considered.**

For specific questions, contact the Committee Secretary at [jpratt@yorku.ca](mailto:jpratt@yorku.ca).