

INTERNAL PROCESS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S IMPACT AWARD

Please review the following details and internal process for the 2023 [President's Impact Award](#).

Please circulate this information to your faculty members and awards leadership. All nominations can access OVPR for review and editorial support. Please reach out to stefanie.bernaudo@utoronto.ca with any questions.

OVERVIEW:

The University of Toronto's (U of T's) President's Impact Awards (PIA) celebrate and honour faculty members whose research has led to significant impact beyond academia. The awards recognize contributions that emerge from academic scholarship and have fully realized, demonstrable impacts in any domain, for example on arts and culture, community involvement, the economy, education, the environment, health, an industry, law, professional practices or services, public engagement, public policy, or quality of life; the development of products, processes or services from inventions; or scientific or technological innovation that has been translated beyond the lab.

President's Impact Award winners receive a monetary award of \$10,000 per year for five years to be used toward their research. Laureates are also designated by the University as members of the [President's Impact Academy](#), which advocates for sustained excellence in research and innovation impact within and outside of the University.

ELIGIBILITY & REVIEW CRITERIA:

Eligible candidates

University-wide faculty members in the arts and humanities, life sciences, physical sciences, social sciences and professional disciplines, whose outstanding impacts beyond academia are deserving of recognition. The PIA recognizes both individual U of T faculty members and teams of faculty members for demonstrable, sustained research impacts that may result from a single influential contribution or from an ongoing commitment to research translation.

The President's Impact Awards are strongly committed to recognizing diversity in research impact and especially welcomes nominations of racialized persons/persons of colour, women, Indigenous/Aboriginal Peoples of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ+ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas and impact.

The Selection Committee will evaluate all nominees on the basis of clear and demonstrated evidence of significant impact of their research beyond academia.

The following three broad criteria will be considered:

- Demonstrated, sustained impact(s) of research beyond academia
- Benefits of the nominated achievements to society
- Originality, scope and/or uniqueness of research impact(s)

NOMINATION PROCESS:

See website for the [detailed nomination guidelines](#). A nominator is required.

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During the nomination period, the nomination form can be accessed online at the President's Impact Awards [nomination form](#). In addition, an [endorsement form](#) signed by the Dean, Principal, Vice-Principal Research or Vice- or Associate Dean Research of the nominee's or team lead's academic division, as appropriate, is required.

The nomination dossier is limited to a maximum of 50 pages for individual nominations and 70 pages for team nominations. Please organize your nomination documents using the following headings and upload as a single PDF file.

1. Table of Contents
2. Nomination Summary, including a 25 word citation and a 250 word summary
3. Nomination Letter (2 pages, signed by Department Chair, Academic Director, Vice- or Associate Dean Research, or Vice-Principal Research as appropriate)
4. Detailed Description (4 pages)
5. Curriculum Vitae (50 pages)
6. Two Letters of Support (2 pages each)
7. Supporting Material, up to three attachments (2 pages each) presenting material that demonstrates nominee's impact.

All nominees must complete the University of Toronto's [Employment Equity Survey](#) prior to the deadline.

Nominations are submitted to the [online form](#) no later than **November 3, 2023**

(OPTIONAL) DIVISIONAL REVIEW PROCESS:

The divisional review process is designed to support and provide feedback for individuals being nominated for the President's Impact Award. The process is designed and managed by OVPR and includes an optional review of nomination material by OVPR staff.

The divisional nomination process is as follows:

1. Nominees notify OVPR of their intent to put forward a nomination, as well as the name and contact information of the nominator. Please email stefanie.bernaudo@utoronto.ca with the name(s) of the candidate(s)/nominators(s) no later than **July 17, 2023**.
2. Draft nomination packages are due on **August 14, 2023**. This should include the draft nomination letter, biography, and CV. We recommend giving letter writers at least 4-6 weeks to prepare a letter.
3. OVPR will review the internal nomination packages and provide feedback to nominees.
4. Nominees will continue to work with OVPR's Strategic Research Development Officers (as appropriate) to prepare the full application package for submission.

RELEVANT DEADLINES:

Date	Milestone
July 17, 2023	Notify OVPR of intent to submit
August 14, 2023	Internal nomination files due for OVPR review
August- September	Work with OVPR to finalize nomination package
Mid September	Request reference letters
October 23, 2023	Final deadline for administrative review
November 3, 2023	Submission to Agency

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