

INTERNAL PROCESS FOR THE SLOAN RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Please review the following details and internal process for the 2025 nomination to the [Sloan Research Fellowship](#). We understand that you may already have your own internal process for the Sloan Research Fellowship. If the dates below do not agree with your process, but you would still like to take advantage of OVPRI support, please email stefanie.bernaudo@utoronto.ca.

This information should be circulated to your faculty members and awards leadership. All nominations can access OVPRI for application review and editorial support. Please reach out to stefanie.bernaudo@utoronto.ca with any questions.

The internal MRA and final sponsor deadlines will be made on the applicable [UofT funding opportunities webpage](#).

OVERVIEW:

These two-year, \$75,000 fellowships are awarded yearly to early career researchers in recognition of distinguished performance and a unique potential to make substantial contributions to their field.

ELIGIBILITY & REVIEW CRITERIA:

The Sloan Research Fellowship Program recognizes and rewards outstanding early-career faculty who have the potential to revolutionize their fields of study.

- Candidates must hold a Ph.D. or equivalent degree in **chemistry, computer science, Earth system science, economics, mathematics, neuroscience, physics, or a related field**.
- Candidates must be members of the faculty of a college, university, or other degree-granting institution in the U.S. or Canada.
- Candidates must be tenure-track, though untenured, as of September 15 of the nomination year.
- Candidate's faculty position must carry a regular teaching obligation.

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Fellows are selected on the basis of their independent research accomplishments, creativity, and potential to become leaders in the scientific community through their contributions to their field.

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NOMINATION PROCESS:

See website for the [detailed nomination guidelines](#). No more than three candidates may be nominated per department. Please check with your department Chair prior to submitting a nomination.

A completed nomination is comprised of:

1. A letter from a department head or other senior researcher officially nominating the candidate and describing his or her qualifications, initiative, and research;
2. The candidate's curriculum vitae (including a list of the candidate's scientific publications);
3. Two representative articles by the candidate that highlight his or her independent research;
4. A brief (one-page) statement by the candidate describing his or her significant scientific work and immediate research plans;
5. Three letters from other researchers (preferably not all from the same institution) written in support of the candidate's nomination.

All materials must be uploaded and submitted through the Foundation's online application portal. Nominations for the 2025 Sloan Research Fellowship open in July. See the [Apply page](#) for more information. Nominations for the 202 Sloan Research Fellowships are due on (anticipated) **September 13, 2024**.

(OPTIONAL) DIVISIONAL REVIEW PROCESS:

The divisional review process is designed to support and provide feedback for individuals being nominated for the Sloan Research Fellowship. The process is designed and managed by OVPRI and includes an optional review of nomination material by OVPRI staff.

The divisional nomination process is as follows:

1. Nominees notify OVPRI of their intent to put forward a nomination. Please email stefanie.bernaudo@utoronto.ca with the name(s) of the candidate(s) by **May 6, 2024**
2. Draft nomination packages are due on **June 3, 2024**. This should include a draft candidate's statement, and CV. Nominators are welcome to include the nomination letter. We recommend giving letter writers at least 6 weeks to prepare a letter.
3. OVPRI will review the internal nomination packages and provide feedback to nominees.
4. Nominees will continue to work with OVPRI's Strategic Research Development Officers (as appropriate) to prepare the full application package for submission.

RELEVANT DEADLINES:

Date	Milestone
May 6, 2024	Notify OVPRI of intent to submit
June 3, 2024	Internal nomination files due for OVPRI review
Mid June- July	Work with OVPRI to finalize nomination package
Mid July	Request reference letters
August 30, 2024	Final deadline for administrative review
September 13, 2024	Submission to the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

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