THE MCLEAN AWARD

Please review the following details for the upcoming 2025 McLean Award. Please reach out to stefanie.bernaudo@utoronto.ca with any questions.

OVERVIEW:

The purpose of the McLean Endowment is to support outstanding **basic** research at the University of Toronto in the following fields: **engineering sciences, physics, chemistry, computer science, mathematics, and the theory and methods of statistics**.

One McLean Award will be made annually in the amount of $150,000.

ELIGIBILITY:

All full-time professorial staff at the University of Toronto, who conduct research in the fields designated above and who are within **twelve years of receiving their PhD**, as of the date of application, are eligible to be nominated. The aforementioned window of eligibility may be extended if a nominee has experienced significant interruptions in their academic career. Please note that delays related to the Covid-19 pandemic may constitute eligible career interruptions, provided a clear case with specific examples is brought to the attention of the Secretariat in advance of the competition.

Final determination of the eligibility of nominees and area of research will be made by the adjudication panel.

The McLean Award especially welcomes nominations of racialized persons/persons of colour, women, Indigenous Peoples, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ2S+ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. Should the nomination pool not be sufficiently diverse, the competition will be re-opened to encourage additional nominees from these communities.

In order to be considered for this opportunity, all nominees are required to complete the University of Toronto's Employment Equity Survey, available through Employee-Self Service, by no later than the nomination deadline

NOMINATION PROCESS:

Nomination materials must be submitted to the Connaught Secretariat (connaught.secretariat@utoronto.ca) in PDF format as one file, using the naming convention LastFirst_McLeanNomination_2024-25. Please see the McLean Guidelines for detailed instructions.

As an applicant, you are required to submit the following information (a nominator **IS** required):

1. A letter (up to two pages) from the Chair/Director of the academic unit, or Dean/Principal of a non-departmentalized division.
2. A statement (up to three pages) summarizing the nominee's research program.
3. A complete C.V., including a list of all refereed publications and research awards or distinctions and a discussion of the nominee's three most significant research contributions
4. The name, institutional affiliation, and contact information for three internationally recognized experts in the field (who represent no conflict of interest and can comment objectively), who

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will submit letters of support describing the scholarly standing of the nominee and the significance of their research program **AND t**he letters of support from these three referees. Letters of support must be sent directly, by the referee, to the Connaught Secretariat (connaught.secretariat@utoronto.ca) by no later than **December 20, 2024.**

The nomination package is to be submitted, by the nominator, to the Connaught Secretariat (connaught.secretariat@utoronto.ca) by **December 2, 2024.**

(OPTIONAL) DIVISONAL 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 OVPRI and includes an optional review of nomination material by OVPRI staff.

RELEVANT DEADLINES:

Date	Milestone
October 16, 2023	Internal nomination files due for OVPRI review
October-November	Work with OVPRI to finalize nomination package
Early November	Request reference letters
November 25, 2024	Final deadline for administrative review
December 2, 2024	Submission to University
December 20, 2024	Reference letter deadline.