

“Healthy Brains for Healthy Lives” Launches New Postdoctoral Fellowships Competition

Healthy Brains for Healthy Lives (HBHL) is an \$84M seven-year cross-sectoral initiative supported at McGill University by the Canadian Government’s Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF), with an additional \$18M from the government of Quebec. The central vision of the HBHL initiative is to create a global centre for excellence, establish a hub for neuroinformatics and big data analysis, and accelerate translational discoveries that will improve brain health in Canada and around the world. HBHL will advance research across four themes: 1) Neuroinformatics and computer modelling; 2) Mechanistic models of neurodegenerative diseases; 3) Applied cognitive neuroscience of brain plasticity; and 4) Population neuroscience and brain health. The HBHL funding program will span four domains: 1) Research, with an emphasis on interdisciplinary teams and innovative ideas; 2) Talent, supporting students, faculty recruitment, and visiting fellows; 3) Innovation, including the Neuro-Innovation Fund to support early stage commercialization and knowledge mobilization; and 4) Research infrastructure, as support for technology platforms and core facilities.

HBHL management, in conjunction with Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, is proud to announce the launch of a new Postdoctoral Fellowships competition. This program aims to attract, train and retain top post-doctoral researchers from across disciplines and around the world to participate in interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral research training opportunities related to brain and mental health research, knowledge translation/mobilization and innovation.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be from outside McGill, or have commenced their postdoctoral studies at McGill no more than 12 months prior to the start date of the award.
- The competition is open to both Canadian and foreign applicants. Candidates can consult the [Brain@McGill Researcher Database](#) to identify potential supervisors and contact them directly.
- The research project must be aligned with HBHL’s goals and research priorities and tie in to at least one of HBHL’s four Research Themes (refer to the [HBHL website](#)).
- Applicants must have received their PhD less than 2 years before the start date of the award.
- Applicants must be registered as postdocs at McGill University by the start date of the award. Consult the [Postdoctoral Researchers](#) website for details on the different categories of postdoc at McGill. Successful applicants will be considered Postdoctoral fellows (Group C).
- The Applicant cannot concurrently hold a HBHL award and a fellowship from another Canadian federal or provincial funding agency, or a McGill internal fellowship.
- The award must begin between March 1, 2018 and September 1, 2018.

Value: CD\$60,000 (+benefits) per year (max. \$70,800) for 1 or 2 years (non-renewable).

Number of fellowships to be awarded: 7

Start of Award: March 1st to September 1st, 2018.

Application Deadline: Application forms and reference letters must be submitted by **January 10, 2018 at 11:59 pm EST.**

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