Grant Application Form under the Announcement of Opportunity (AO) for Supplements to the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Postdoctoral Fellowship Program 2022

**A. INFORMATION ON THE APPLICANT**



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| Last Name | First Name |



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| City | Province | Postal Code |



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| Telephone (primary) | Telephone (secondary) |



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| E-mail Address |

Preferred language of correspondence:

[ ] English

[ ] French

**B. ELIGIBILITY**

1. **What is your citizenship status?**

 

1. **Name of the academic institution or other research institution where you will conduct your postdoctoral research project:**

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1. **Have you submitted an application under the NSERC PDF Program?**

 

1. **If you are awarded a postdoctoral fellowship by NSERC, will you conduct your research project in Canada?**

 

**C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE APPLICANT**

1. **Have you previously been funded directly by the Canadian Space Agency (CSA)? If yes, please provide details on the funding received (e.g., title of the AO).**

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1. **Self-declaration for members of employment equity groups:**

Please note that **your response to the self-declaration is voluntary** and will be used for statistical purposes, as well as in considering your application for a grant. You can consult [this site](https://www.canada.ca/en/public-service-commission/jobs/services/gc-jobs/employment-equity.html) for the definition of each group.

* 1. **Please specify your gender:**

 

* 1. **Are you Indigenous?**

 

* 1. **Are you a member of a visible minority group?**

 

* 1. **Are you a person with a disability?**

 

**D. INTEREST AND CAREER GOALS IN SPACE DISCIPLINES (MAXIMUM 500 WORDS)**

Please describe your motivation in pursuing a career in Canada in a space-related discipline or in a discipline from which the space sector could benefit (refer to Appendix 1 of this document and section 6.2 of the AO for details on the evaluation criteria, indicators and evidence).

**E. THE PROPOSED RESEARCH’S ALIGNMENT WITH AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE PRIORITIES OUTLINED IN THE SPACE STRATEGY FOR CANADA (MAXIMUM 1,000 WORDS)**

Please describe how your research project will contribute to A) Solving a problem related to a priority outlined in the Space Strategy for Canada; **or** B) Providing solutions that are strategic or innovative, as well as implementable, in alignment with the priorities outlined in the Space Strategy for Canada (refer to Appendix 1 of this document and section 6.2 of the AO for details on the evaluation criteria, indicators and evidence).

**F. DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT:**

1. **Applications submitted electronically** (documents must be combined into a single PDF-formatted file,in the same order as presented below. Refer to section 4.1 of the AO for further details)**:**

[ ]  1. A completed **application form** signed by the applicant. Electronic, scanned or typed signatures will be accepted for the time being, however applicants must keep a hard copy of the original application form signed by hand (in ink), as the CSA may require the documents with the original signature later in the process;

[ ]  2. A copy of **the applicant’s application submitted to NSERC under their PDF Program** (can be downloaded as a PDF file from the NSERC application website);

[ ]  3. A **proof that the applicant will conduct their postdoctoral research work in a Canadian academic institution or another appropriate research institution in Canada** (e.g., a Letter of Attestation from the institution).

1. **Applications submitted by mail or using a recognized courier service** (documents must be assembledin the same order as presented below. Refer to section 4.2 of the AO for further details)**:**

[ ]  1. A completed **original** **application form** signed by hand (in ink) by the applicant (electronic, scanned and typed signatures will not be accepted);

[ ]  2. A copy of **the applicant’s application submitted to NSERC under their PDF Program** (can be downloaded as a PDF file from the NSERC application website);

[ ]  3. A **proof that the applicant will conduct their postdoctoral research work in a Canadian academic institution or another appropriate research institution in Canada** (e.g., a Letter of Attestation from the institution).

**NOTES:**

* Complete instructions on how to submit your application are available in Section 4 of the AO.
* Failure to submit required documentation may result in your application being rejected.

**G. CONFIDENTIALITY**

The CSA manages and protects the information provided by the applicant in accordance with the [*Privacy Act*](https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/p-21/) and the [*Access to Information Act*](https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/a-1/). By submitting your personal information, you consent to its collection, use and disclosure in accordance with the following Privacy Statement, which explains how the information about the applicant will be processed.

The information is collected under the **CSA Class Grants and Contributions Program in Support of Awareness, Research and Learning - Learning Component** (ASC PPU 040). This information will be used for administration and application evaluation purposes and may be shared with NSERC for these purposes. Failing to provide some of the required personal information may result in your application not being considered by the CSA. Personal information will be kept accordingly to the retention schedule. You may also refer to [*Info Source*](http://asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/transparency/aipa/info-source.asp) for additional information about the functions, programs, activities and related information holdings of government institutions subject to the *Access to Information Act* and the *Privacy Act*. According to the *Privacy Act*, any individual may, upon request, have access to his or her personal data and request correction of the incorrect information. Under this act, you also have the right to file a complaint to the [*Privacy Commissioner of Canada*](http://www.priv.gc.ca) about the Canadian Space Agency’s privacy practices.

Applicants should also note that information relating to the Funding Agreement could be disclosed publicly in accordance with the laws, policies and directives of the Government of Canada.

For additional information regarding this statement, please contact:

Access to Information and Privacy
Canadian Space Agency

Email: [asc.aiprp-atip.csa@canada.ca](http://livelink/livelinkdav/nodes/46992563/mailto%3Aasc.aiprp-atip.csa%40canada.ca)

The award of the CSA supplement is conditional upon the applicant having been awarded an NSERC postdoctoral fellowship (as per the eligibility criteria outlined in section 3 of the AO).

For the purpose of the final selection of the CSA grant recipients, the CSA will confirm with NSERC that the applicants selected through this AO have accepted and been awarded their NSERC postdoctoral fellowship (as per section 6.3 of the AO).

**Do you agree to the CSA sharing your identity information with NSERC to validate if you have accepted and been awarded their NSERC postdoctoral fellowship?** *(Note that it is mandatory to answer « Yes » to this question to be considered for a supplement under this AO.)*

[ ] Yes [ ] No

**H. STUDENT UNDERTAKING**

In the grant agreement, the CSA will require you to make the following commitments:

* Submit a progress report after the first year;
* Confirm your eligibility for the G&C Program – Learning Component, and inform the CSA in writing of any changes to the conditions used in determining your eligibility for this component;
* Submit to the CSA a report outlining the achievements and outcomes of your postdoctoral research within 30 days following the end of the grant agreement.

By signing this application form, you attest that all the information you provided is accurate.

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| Signature |  | Date (YYYY-MM-DD) |
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**If your application is selected, would you be interested in participating in outreach activities to share your learning experience and research findings?**

Your answer will not influence the assessment of your application but the CSA may contact you if you indicate that you are interested.

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Would you be interested in being informed of **other opportunities and/or information related to CSA’s academic development activities**?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Would you be interested in being considered for **short-term employment opportunities within the CSA** if this opportunity were offered to you?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

**APPENDIX 1. Evaluation Criteria**

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| **Criteria (weighting in %)** | **Indicators** | **Evidence** |
| **Education and experience****(10%)** | * Academic background;
* Past research including thesis (theses) completed;
* Other relevant work experience.
 | Copy of the applicant’s application submitted to NSERC under their PDF Program. |
| **Interest and career goals in space disciplines****(30%)** | * Applicant's motivation in pursuing a career in Canada in a space-related discipline or in a discipline from which the space sector could benefit.
 | Answer provided in Section D of Application form. |
| **The proposed research’s alignment with and contribution to the priorities outlined in the** [**Space Strategy for Canada**](https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/publications/space-strategy-for-canada/default.asp)**(60%)** | * Contribution of the proposed research to solving a problem related to a priority outlined in the [Space Strategy for Canada](https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/publications/space-strategy-for-canada/default.asp);

**or*** Contribution of the proposed research to providing solutions that are strategic or innovative, as well as implementable, in alignment with the priorities outlined in the [Space Strategy for Canada](https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/publications/space-strategy-for-canada/default.asp).
 | Answer provided in Section E of Application form. |

Applications will be rated on a 100-point rating scale. **Only applications that obtain a minimum score of 70% will be given further consideration.** The final score will be used to establish a ranking of applications.