



The Martha LA McCain Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Mark S. Bonham Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies

The Mark S. Bonham Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies at the University of Toronto invites applications for a one-year Postdoctoral Fellowship during the 2026-27 academic year, with the possibility of an additional one-year renewal, to support emerging scholars pursuing research in queer, trans, and LGBTQ2+ studies. Our search committee welcomes proposals that span disciplinary boundaries. Applicants from all fields of the humanities and the social sciences are encouraged to apply. The successful applicant is expected to be in residence in the Greater Toronto Area during the period of their award and will join the faculty and students who make up our intellectual community and participate in the Centre's day-to-day activities. They will also be an active member of the Queer and Trans Research Lab 2026-27 cohort (a collaborative research project based at The Bonham Centre with a focus on methods in queer and trans studies across the disciplines as well as across creative and activist research practices). The Postdoctoral Fellow will offer one undergraduate class for the Sexual Diversity Studies undergraduate program and, at some point during the period of their award, deliver at least one public lecture that highlights their work. They will be able to utilize the vast faculty resources, archives, and library collections available at the University of Toronto, the Bonham Centre, and in the city. The successful candidate will receive a combined research and teaching stipend of \$70,000, plus benefits, to support themselves for the duration of their fellowship. To get a sense of the wide disciplinary range and diversity of the Bonham Centre's community, the Queer and Trans Research Lab, and our academic offerings consult our website (<http://sds.utoronto.ca>).

Candidates must have completed their Ph.D. within a maximum of 3 years before the appointment date (August 19, 2026). **To apply submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, research project outline, writing sample, and three confidential letters of reference** (submitted directly by the referees via email). At least one of the reference letters should speak to the applicant's teaching experience and ability.

All application materials should be submitted via email in a single PDF by **January 5, 2026** to The Bonham Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies at the following address: **qtrl.sds@utoronto.ca**. Fellowships will normally be awarded to candidates affiliated with a

university other than the University of Toronto. The fellowship is open to non-Canadian citizens, permanent residents, and international scholars.

The normal hours of work are 40 hours per week for a full-time postdoctoral fellow (pro-rated for those holding a partial appointment), recognizing that the needs of the employee's research and training and the needs of the supervisor's research program may require flexibility in the performance of the employee's duties and hours of work.

Employment as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Toronto is covered by the terms of the CUPE 3902 Unit 5 Collective Agreement.

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The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons/persons of colour, women, Indigenous/Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ 2S+ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.