Call for Nominations

PIMS Postdoctoral Fellowship Competition

Pacific Institute *for the* Mathematical Sciences

The Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences (PIMS) invites nominations of outstanding young researchers in the mathematical sciences for Postdoctoral Fellowships for the year 2016-2017. Candidates must be nominated by a scientist or department affiliated with PIMS. The fellowships are intended to supplement support provided by the sponsor, and are tenable at any of the PIMS Canadian member universities: the University of Alberta, the University of British Columbia, the University of Calgary, the University of Lethbridge, the University of Manitoba, the University of Regina, the University of Saskatchewan, Simon Fraser University and the University of Victoria.

Program Features

Nominees must have a Ph.D. or equivalent (or expect to receive a Ph.D. by December 31, 2016) and must be within three years of their Ph.D. at the time of the nomination (i.e., they must have received their Ph.D. on or after January 1, 2013). The fellowship may be taken up at any time between September 1, 2016 and January 1, 2017. The fellowship is for one year and is renewable, contingent on satisfactory progress, for at most one additional year. The amount of the award for 2016-17 will be $20,000 and the sponsor is required to provide additional funds to finance a minimum total stipend of $40,000. PIMS Postdoctoral Fellows are expected to participate in all PIMS activities related to the fellow's area of expertise and will be encouraged to spend time at more than one site. To ensure that PIMS Postdoctoral Fellows are able to participate fully in Institute activities, they may not teach more than two single-term courses per year.

Application Process

- The PIMS PDF nomination/application process takes place entirely online, utilizing the MathJobs service provided by the American Mathematical Society. Having selected their nominees, sponsors direct them to apply online at mathjobs.org/jobs/PIMS. (Detailed instructions regarding all aspects of the MathJobs application procedure may be found in the online MathJobs user guides.) Please note that **application is by nomination only**; unsolicited applications will not be considered. Please note that all nominees, **including those associated with PIMS Collaborative Research Groups** must apply through MathJobs.
- Nominees should upload a list of publications, a curriculum vitae and a statement of research interests. Special justification statements should be included if the applicant plans to either (i) continue to work with his/her PhD advisor, or (ii) remain at their current institution.

- Nominees should arrange for at least two reference letters to be uploaded to MathJobs. At least one letter should be preferably from an outside referee who is at arm's length from the candidate and/or his/her PhD advisor.
- Sponsors must upload both their own reference letter and a ***separate*** statement of financial support that identifies in as much detail as possible the source of matching funds and the level of teaching required from the candidate. Vague or incomplete statements may influence the panel's decision. Sponsors will receive instructions as to how to proceed via an email from MathJobs.

Selection Criteria
Rankings of candidates are made by the PIMS PDF Review Panel based on the following criteria:
- The scientific qualifications of the candidate;
- The fit between the research interests of the candidate and those of the sponsor;
- Adequacy of matching funds.

Deadlines
Complete applications must be uploaded to MathJobs by **December 1, 2015.** For further information, visit: **http://www.pims.math.ca/scientific/postdoctoral** or contact: **assistant.director@pims.math.ca**.