

AARMS Postdoctoral Fellowships 2009

Value: minimum \$35,000 per annum

Application deadline: December 15, 2008

Eligibility and place of tenure: AARMS postdoctoral fellowships are awarded, on the recommendation of its Scientific Review Panel (SRP), to beginning researchers who received their PhD no more than four years before applying. Applications will be considered from those who anticipate receiving their PhD before the proposed start time of the fellowship, however the PhD must be in hand before actually beginning the fellowship.

It is typically expected that the proposed supervisor will not be the same person as the applicant's PhD supervisor, and that the proposed Postdoctoral Fellowship will be at a different university than the one at which the PhD was awarded. The proposed supervisor must be a full-time tenure track or tenured faculty member at a university in Atlantic Canada.

Duration: Normally two years. Funding for the second year is dependent upon satisfactory performance demonstrated in the detailed progress report submitted by the supervisor(s).

Application: The candidate is expected to have linked up with a proposed supervisor before applying. Applications should be made by the candidate through the AARMS online page (www.aarms.math.ca/pdf) After registering on the system, applicants should send their username to their proposed supervisor(s). This enables the supervisor(s) to make their contributions to the application. The application should include:

- CV (in pdf format)
- Research Proposal: a detailed description of the research area and the research to be carried out during the tenure of the fellowship as well as a description of how the candidate would interact with the supervisor(s). (also in pdf format)

After the applicant has registered online each intended supervisor(s) should contribute, through the AARMS online page the following:

- A written reference (to be typed directly into the relevant web form).
- A list of the exact sources of matching funding (NSERC or other grant(s), department(s), ...). If there are more than one intended supervisors only one needs to submit this information. This information is also to be entered directly into the relevant web form.

The applicant should also arrange for two letters of recommendation to be submitted to the online system by persons who are familiar with the candidate's work and can comment on their suitability for an AARMS postdoctoral fellowship. The candidate will

need to send their username to the external referee to enable them to make this contribution. These letters are to be typed by the referee directly into the web form provided for this purpose.

Assessment: Applications will be reviewed by the Scientific Review Panel, who will make a recommendation to the Director

Timetable:

December 15 – Application deadline

February 1 – Final decision is made on applications. The department/university hosting a successful AARMS PDF applicant is requested to provide (to the Director of AARMS) a formal "funding package", showing the annual contributions by the supervisor(s), the department, and the university. Their amount has at least to match the AARMS contribution of \$17,500 and may require that the fellowship holder teach up to one class each term (including spring/summer sessions).

September 1 – Start time for the fellowship. AARMS will transfer \$8,750 (first half of the annual amount) during the month when the PDF starts his/her programme, and the same amount six months later. This is done upon receipt of a formal invoice from the hosting department/university. It is acceptable for the start of a fellowship to be delayed up until December 1, but funding will be reduced proportionate to the delay. This reduction will be reconciled in the second year of funding.

For Further information please visit www.aarms.math.ca/pdf or contact

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