

The W. Garfield Weston Postdoctoral Fellowship in Northern Archaeological Research

1. The W. Garfield Weston Foundation is sponsoring one postdoctoral fellowship, valued at \$50,000, for those pursuing research in archaeology with a focus on the Canadian north. This fellowship includes up to an additional \$10,000 in support for conference and northern travel expenses.
2. Candidates must complete all requirements for their doctoral degree by September 1, 2019 or have completed the doctoral degree no more than two years before the deadline date of the year of the application. This period may be extended to three years if you acquired at least six months of work experience in government or industry after you received your doctorate or six years if you withdrew from active research for parental leave for at least one year after you received your doctorate. Past recipients of The W. Garfield Weston Award for Northern Archaeological Research (Master’s or PhD level) are eligible to apply.
3. You may hold this Postdoctoral Fellowship abroad only if you have received (or expect to receive before you take up the fellowship) your doctorate from a Canadian university and such an opportunity abroad promises to provide expertise that would not be possible within Canada (e.g. a methodology that is unavailable in Canada). Please provide a compelling case within the application including the contributions to the Canadian archaeological community as a result. You are not permitted to hold your fellowship at the same university where you received your doctorate. You may not hold the Postdoctoral Fellowship with your PhD or postdoctoral supervisor, even if your supervisor changes research institutions.
4. Selection will be based upon academic excellence or exceptional promise and demonstrated commitment to a career in northern science, with the requirement that Postdoctoral Fellows have a clearly defined research project which will result in the dissemination of research results through publications, conferences and other media. Applicants who hold a PDF at the time of application must detail how The W. Garfield Weston Postdoctoral Fellowship will depart significantly from previous PDF research. A demonstration by publications and presentations that indicate the first PDF has come to a meaningful completion are recommended. Successful recipients must demonstrate an understanding of how their work will contribute to the advancement of northern archaeological research and the ways in which this fellowship position will be pivotal to launching their career in northern archaeology. Recipients will be encouraged to present their research results at scientific/archaeological conferences and academic meetings and must be

willing to promote in a variety of ways public interest in the importance of northern scientific endeavours.

5. Only archaeology projects will be considered and must include a field research component conducted within the term of the fellowship in the Canadian North (see Northern Boundary Map: <http://acuns.ca/website/awards/northern-boundary-map/>).
6. University support for the postdoctoral project must be demonstrated in the application by both the postdoctoral supervisor and the host institution (i.e., the dean of the faculty within which the student is working or senior administrator responsible for research). The postdoctoral supervisor may not be the same individual as the candidate's doctoral supervisor.
7. The fellowship covers a twelve-month period. Payment will be issued in quarterly instalments. **Successful recipients will have the opportunity to renew the fellowship for one additional year.** Participants may be contacted up to five years after the award period for evaluation of the program.

For questions regarding The W. Garfield Weston Award Program, please contact westonawards@acuns.ca.

Award Criteria

You must:

- be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident;
- be enrolled full time in college or university at the time of application and over the tenure of your Award;
- not concurrently hold two awards administered by ACUNS, but you may hold other awards and financial support during your Award tenure;
- include a northern fieldwork component in your research that is conducted within the term of the Award; and
- conduct your research project in the North as defined here:
<http://acuns.ca/website/awards/northern-boundary-map/>

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General Award Information

- For projects including field research outside of Canada, the relevance and benefit of the circumpolar fieldwork to Canadian northern scholarship must be clearly indicated.
- Applications are reviewed by a multi-disciplinary committee; technical jargon should be kept to a minimum.
- Applications to more than one award administered by ACUNS require each referee to complete a separate form for each application.
- Award recipients are identified in May. Only successful candidates will be notified.
- Payment will be issued in instalments and is to be used as a stipend.