



The W. Garfield Weston Postdoctoral Fellowship in Northern Research

1. The W. Garfield Weston Foundation is sponsoring up to four postdoctoral fellowships, valued at \$50,000 each, for those pursuing research in the natural sciences 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 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 scientific 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 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 research and the ways in which this fellowship position will be pivotal to launching their career in northern science. Recipients will be encouraged to present their research results at scientific conferences and academic meetings and must be willing to promote in a variety of ways public interest in the importance of northern scientific endeavours.

