

Innovation PEI Graduate and Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program



Introduction

Graduate students and post-doctoral fellows are at the heart of most vibrant and active research groups. Their work is vital to the productivity and success of research labs in PEI and across the country. The Innovation PEI Graduate and Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program is designed to support and develop highly skilled researchers right here in Prince Edward Island. The Program will support research activities in laboratories in Prince Edward Island in fields related to bio-science, aerospace, information technology, and renewable energy.

Studentships, valued at \$20,000 per year, will support individuals studying at the graduate level in areas related to the priority sectors and working in a laboratory in Prince Edward Island in a field related to bio-science, aerospace, information technology, or renewable energy.

Post-doctoral fellowships, valued at \$40,000 per year, will support individuals holding a doctoral level degree and working in a laboratory in Prince Edward Island conducting research in a field related to bio-science, aerospace, information technology, or renewable energy.

All amounts will be pro-rated over the appropriate time period.

Eligible Proponents

Individuals interested in partnering with a Prince Edward Island organization conducting research in bio-science, IT, aerospace, or renewable energy are eligible to apply for a studentship or post-doctoral fellowship.

Applicants must:

- confirm an employment partnership with an organization located in Prince Edward Island;
- clearly articulate the research plan and the commercialization potential stemming from research results;
- conduct research in one or more of the priority areas including bio-science, aerospace, IT, or renewable energy; and
- demonstrate the capacity to conduct the proposed research.

Proposal Assessment

Proposals for the Innovation PEI Graduate and Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program will be evaluated against a clear set of program criteria using information contained in the proponents' application package. Each proposal will be evaluated by a peer review committee.

Performance Monitoring

For each approved proposal, a letter of offer stating the terms and conditions of approval will be forwarded to the proponent. When accepted by the proponent, the letter of offer shall constitute a contract between government and the proponent.

Should the proponent fail to comply with the terms and conditions of the contract or be discontinued, government may at its sole discretion:

- declare the proponent to be in non-performance (default) of the contract;
- request the proponent to repay in full the incentive received; and
- take necessary legal action to collect the incentive amount in full with interest.

For More Information

Applications for the Innovation PEI Graduate and Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program will be accepted **up to April 3, 2009, at 5 p.m.**

Interested applicants can apply online at www.islandprosperity.ca

For general questions or inquiries about the program please contact the PEI Business Development Officer located in your region or:

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