Fellowship in Mood Disorders

Description of the fellowship opportunity:
The clinical and research fellowship will include in depth training in the assessment and treatment of complex mood disorders at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH). A primary clinical focus will be performing consultations and assessing patients’ suitability for novel clinical trials and following patient progress and response during courses of treatment trials. In addition, assessment and management of patients enrolled in current clinical trials within the service will also form part of the responsibilities. The fellow will have access to a broad range of multidisciplinary educational events within the Department of Psychiatry and through other departments at U of T in addition to the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. Fellows will have the ongoing opportunity to be involved in the teaching of residents and other advanced students of all disciplines.
The Fellowship has a specialized focus on intervention trials for treatment resistant depression and bipolar depression including trials of repurposed pharmacological interventions, psychedelic therapies, and neurostimulation treatments. The fellow will participate in on-going clinical trials within the service and will be involved in the recruitment and retention of research subjects. Opportunities to participate in systematic reviews and secondary analyses of clinical trial data will be part of the fellowship. There is the potential option to design and conduct their own research projects and hone skills in scientific writing.

Training start date:
Fellowship training should start on July 1 annually if possible, to align with the new academic year. However, alternative start dates may be negotiated in consultation with the fellowship supervisor (see below) & Psychiatry Fellowship Program (psych.fellows@utoronto.ca).

Stipend availability:
Candidates selected for the Fellowship in Mood Disorders opportunity will be provided with a stipend of $65,000 AD/annum. Externally funded and self-funded candidates are also eligible to apply: candidates can source their own stipends through institutional research/educational scholarships or grants; a return-of-service agreement; home country sponsorships*, or self-funding through anticipated independent OHIP billings (see Psychiatry Fellowship Program’s website for more information).

* Sponsored candidates are applicants from the following countries whose governments have official postgraduate medical training agreements with the university of Toronto: Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, and Saudi Arabia.
**Note:** Sponsored candidates must have already initiated an application on the University of Toronto's **Sponsored Trainee Application Registry (STAR)**. For more Information, contact the University’s postgraduate medical education (PGME) office at: pgme.international@utoronto.ca

### Application Process

**Application period:**
Applications to this opportunity for entry in the **2024-25 academic year** (July 1 academic session) will be accepted until **Nov. 30, 2023** on the Psychiatry Fellowship Program’s application platform: [https://documents.med.utoronto.ca/Forms/FellowshipsApplication](https://documents.med.utoronto.ca/Forms/FellowshipsApplication)

Interested candidates are invited to submit their updated **CV**, copies of their **MD** and **specialty certificate***, a **letter of intent** detailing their interest in this opportunity and how it aligns with their career goals, as well as the contact information of **3 references** one of whom being their Residency Program Director. Reference letters must be received by the above-listed deadline. Other requirements may apply - see below.

*In lieu, current domestic residents can submit a letter of good standing indicating their anticipated graduation date from their residency program

Candidates must review the University of Toronto Psychiatry Fellowship Program’s application requirements carefully **before** initiating an application. Internationally trained applicants may be asked to provide **English proficiency test results** at the time of application. To learn more, see: [https://psychiatry.utoronto.ca/apply-fellowship-program](https://psychiatry.utoronto.ca/apply-fellowship-program)

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