Guidelines for Postdoctoral Fellows and Visiting Scholars, Artists, and Designers

The Department of Art & Design has a long history of hosting postdoctoral fellows and visiting scholars, artists, and designers. We welcome applications from local, national and international scholars who wish to pursue work in our Department, collaborating with our faculty, staff, and students. We suggest that applicants identify and contact faculty members with whom they wish to work to discuss possibilities. For general information regarding postdoctoral fellows at the University of Alberta, please see http://www.postdoc.ualberta.ca/

A postdoctoral fellow or visiting scholar, artist, or designer is expected to reside in Edmonton for the term of the appointment/fellowship and to participate actively in the activities of the Art & Design Department. A postdoctoral fellow or visiting scholar, artist, or designer will present his or her research in the Department’s speaker series at least once during the year. A postdoctoral fellow may not undertake paid employment outside the University without the prior approval of the Art & Design Department.

The Department will provide office space and formal affiliation with the University of Alberta (including a campus computing ID and library access privileges). Depending on research and pedagogical interests there are also opportunities to engage in further academic opportunities on campus. Medical insurance and all travel costs (including passport fees) are the responsibility of the applicant.

Externally funded visiting scholar, artist, or designer appointments

Applications for an externally funded visiting scholar, artist, or designer appointments should include the following:

- a current curriculum vitae (copies in English as well as in first language if not English)
- a graduate transcript (if graduated within the last five years)
- a short proposal (2 pages) of the research and creative project you will undertake during the research year
- two confidential letters of recommendation sent directly by the recommender to the Department address (signed pdf letters sent by email are acceptable)

The Department evaluates applications based on academic record, academic quality of the research and project proposal and fit with the research and creation interests of the Department.

Department deadlines:
- Notification of intent, November 1.
- Completed application, November 15.

Postdoctoral Fellowships

Possible funding sources for postdoctoral fellowships to be held in the Department include:

Killam postdoctoral fellowships, through the University of Alberta.

University deadline: December 1
Department deadlines: Notification of intent, November 1
Completed application, November 15

For forms and application details, see http://www.postdoc.ualberta.ca/en/FundingandFellowships/UniversityofAlbertaPostdoctoralFellowships.aspx
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- University deadline: December 1
- Department deadlines: Notification of intent, November 1
  Completed application, November 15


- Deadline: February 15. (Note: coordination with a professor in the Department is recommended but is not required for application to this program).

Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships are prestigious two-year fellowships awarded to top-tier Canadian and international postdoctoral researchers.

- Deadline: September 20. (Note: coordination with a professor in the Department is required for application to this program).
- Department deadlines: Notification of intent, August 1
  Completed application, September 1


SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowships, administered by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council. SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowships support new holders of PhDs in the social sciences and humanities for a minimum of 12 months and a maximum of 24 months.

- Deadline: September 20 (Note: coordination with a professor in the Department is required for application to this program).
- Department deadlines: Notification of intent, August 1
  Completed application, September 1