



## Education Fund – PhD/Fellowship Research Opportunities 2017/2018

**Application Deadline — May 5, 2017, 5:00 pm**

### Background

The Ted Rogers Centre for Heart Research was launched in November 2014 after an unprecedented donation from the Rogers family was then matched by commitments from The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids), University Health Network (UHN), and University of Toronto (UofT). In this unique collaborative venture, these world leading organizations will together transform prevention of, and the management and care of children and adults with heart disease – in particular, heart failure.

The Centre blends basic, translational and clinical research towards the goal of addressing heart failure across the lifespan through three collaborative programs:

- *Precision Medicine Program* applies novel biology-driven approaches to finding new therapies for childhood onset heart failure and supports one-of-a-kind adult and pediatric genome clinics intended to decipher the genetic basis of heart failure in those with congenital heart disease and cardiomyopathies.
- *Integrated Program for Excellence in Heart Function* will optimize heart failure outcomes, improve quality of life and reduce readmission to hospital. Its goal is to reduce re-hospitalizations by 50% in 10 years.
- *Translational Biology and Engineering Program* will enhance our understanding of how genes, molecules and cells function during cardiovascular development, wellness and disease – and uncover strategies to repair, regenerate or replace heart tissues.

The Centre's over-arching goal is addressing **heart failure across the entire lifespan**. For more information see [TedRogersResearch.ca](http://TedRogersResearch.ca), [@trogersresearch](https://twitter.com/trogersresearch), [linkedin.com/company/ted-rogers-centre-for-heart-research](https://www.linkedin.com/company/ted-rogers-centre-for-heart-research) and [www.facebook.com/tedrogersresearch](https://www.facebook.com/tedrogersresearch). For the video of the gift announcement see [www.youtube.com/watch?v=XUEStGzsbDE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XUEStGzsbDE).

### PhD/Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards

The Centre is now accepting applications for PhD and Postdoctoral (PhD or MD) Fellowship awards. Key requirements include a focus on some aspect of heart failure and collaboration among at least two of the three partner organizations (SickKids, UHN, UofT). PhD awards provide \$18,000/year and PDF awards provide \$40,000/year for trainee support, and may be renewed for a second year. Renewal is dependent on alignment with the Centre's Mission and progress demonstrated during the first year.

The number of awards to be funded depends on the quality of applications received. We anticipate up to 5 PhD awards and 9 PDF awards will be funded, including any competitive renewals. Funding to begin September 8, 2017. For application forms and related documents see <http://tedrogersresearch.ca/for-researchers/funding/education-fund/>

### Application Submission

Submit your completed PhD/Fellowship application & associated documents by **May 5, 2017 at 5:00 pm**, as a single PDF document via email to: Linda Donovan, Planning & Operations Manager, at [linda.donovan@tedrogersresearch.ca](mailto:linda.donovan@tedrogersresearch.ca) **NB** Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. All applications will be reviewed and adjudicated by a panel of Ted Rogers Centre for Heart Research investigators.

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