Call for 2021-2023 Faculty Fellows

The Schwartz Reisman Institute for Technology and Society supports and integrates world-class research across sectors and disciplines to deepen our understanding of AI, law, institutions, regulatory structures, and social values. We advance technology that is responsible, ethical, and beneficial to all. Our mission focuses on both ground-breaking research as well as implementable solutions. The Institute contains a diverse group of world-class researchers from computer science, social science, and the humanities who are developing shared frameworks and knowledge to foster collaborative projects. For more information on our Research Overview, the Four Conversations which inform this Overview, and our current research projects, click here.

Fellowship Details

Our Faculty Fellows program will provide $25,000 in research project support for up to four appointed faculty at the University of Toronto. Faculty may be at any stage of their career and will be evaluated with career stage as a consideration. Applicants who have not previously received an SRI Faculty Fellowship will be given priority. Please note that status-only appointees are not eligible for the fellowship.

Funds may be used for expenses directly related to the proposed project, including trainees, materials, data collection, computing, subject compensation, teaching release, and select travel, as appropriate in the current COVID-19 environment. Expenses are eligible from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023.

Terms for Schwartz Reisman Institute Faculty Fellows

- Participate in and lead activities at the Institute, including, for example, weekly seminars, key meetings and events that foster our commitment to reconceptualizing common notions of the ways technology, systems and society interact and supporting diverse areas of inquiry
- Contribute to the growth and development of the interdisciplinary SRI research community by engaging with other Fellows, Research Leads, and Faculty Affiliates on a regular basis, both through formal events and independently
- With the support of the SRI communications staff, contribute at least one public facing product (e.g. blog post, video interview, etc.)
- Submit a final report to the Director and Chair of the Schwartz Reisman Institute summarizing their research as a 2021-2023 SRI Faculty Fellow by June 30, 2023

How to Apply

To be considered, you must fill out the **online application form**, which includes the following:

- A copy of your CV
- Up to three examples of your writing and research (publications preferred)
- Responses to the following questions:
  - o Describe your proposed project. Figures may be referenced and attached at the end of your application (approx. 1500 words). This should include the following:
    - ▪ a description of the work to be undertaken
    - ▪ a deliverable (such as a publication or workshop)
    - ▪ the potential scholarly and economic/social impact
    - ▪ a brief outline of how you propose to allocate your award funds (consider continued travel limitations due to COVID-19; this is not a formal commitment)
  - o Describe how your work aligns with the research goals and priorities of the Schwartz Reisman Institute and what perspective you will bring to our research community. (approx. 750 words)
  - o Describe your experience and philosophy with multi-disciplinary research. (approx. 400 words)

Application forms are available here and must be submitted by 11:59 pm EDT on June 25, 2021. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Faculty Fellows will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
- Potential scholarly and economic/social impact of project
- Alignment with the research goals and priorities of the Institute
- Diversity of perspective
- Ability to collaborate in a multidisciplinary team
- Track record of research impact (as appropriate for career stage)

The Schwartz Reisman Institute is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons/persons of colour, women, Indigenous/Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ2S+ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

For questions about the Fellows program, please review the FAQs found on our announcement blog. If you have further questions or if you require accessibility accommodations to participate in the application process, please contact us at applications@torontosri.ca