

INSTITUTE ON MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE (IMFG)
THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP
COMMENCING FALL 2026

Your application for an IMFG Post-Doctoral Fellowship must include all relevant documentation *listed below (items 1 to 6)*. *These documents should be submitted together as one application package.* Applications must be received by no later than **Monday, April 27, 2026**.

For more information, contact: info.imfg@utoronto.ca.

Please email your application package (include only doc or pdf files) to info.imfg@utoronto.ca or address the application package to:

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Your application will be judged according to the following criteria:

- Overall academic excellence
- Alignment of applicant's research interests with IMFG's research agenda.¹
- Completion of doctoral dissertation in a relevant discipline no more than three years prior to the submission of the fellowship request (note: Ph.D. must also be completed in full prior to September 1, 2026).

DOCUMENTS TO INCLUDE:

1. Project Abstract

A short description of your research proposal not to exceed 250 words in length.

2. Detailed Program of Research

- a. Your program of research should not exceed 1,000 words. Each page should be numbered consecutively and include your name and "Post-Doctoral Fellowship" at the top right-hand corner. The proposal should be written for general academic readers and not for specialists in your field.
- b. Your detailed program of research should describe:
 - a. the issue(s) to be studied
 - b. the questions and goals of the proposed research
 - c. the distinction between the current project and the PhD dissertation
 - d. the way in which the project fits into the existing literature

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- e. the potential contribution of the project to IMFG's research focus on municipal finance and governance
- f. the methodology you intend to use
- g. the proposed strategy for the dissemination of your research

3. Bibliography

Your bibliography should not exceed two pages in 12-point font and 1.5 spacing. You need only include those works most relevant to your research project.

4. Three Letters of Reference

5. Current Curriculum Vitae

6. Original Academic Transcript

Please include a current transcript from all universities where you have undertaken doctoral work.