Program Description: Schwartz Reisman Graduate 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 research 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.

Our new Graduate Fellows program will provide $7,500 in research project support for up to 15 remarkable scholars at the University of Toronto. Graduate Fellows will be primarily PhD candidates, but exceptional Master's candidates are eligible to apply. We encourage applications from those are currently investigating issues at the intersection of technology and society, as well as those with an emerging interest in these areas.

Funds may be used for research related expenses, including materials, data collection, computing, subject compensation and select travel, as appropriate in the current COVID-19 environment. It is possible for a portion of the research support to be awarded as a stipend, provided that this stipend clearly contributes to the advancement of the candidate's research.

In addition to financial support, Graduate Fellows receive professional development mentoring and will co-develop a workshop with their cohort.

Graduate Fellows will be evaluated based on the following five criteria:

1. Quality of research proposal

2. Alignment with the research goals and priorities of the Institute

3. Potential as a scholar

4. Ability to collaborate in a multidisciplinary team

5. Diversity of perspective

Application forms are available online, and are required to be submitted email by October 9th at 5 PM.

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, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

For questions about the Fellows program, please contact applications@torontosri.ca