

March 2025

Lillian Meighen Wright Postdoctoral Fellowship in Maternal-Child Health  
Faculty of Health, York University  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Description: One position is available for the Lillian Meighen Wright Postdoctoral Fellowship in Maternal Child-Health at the Faculty of Health, York University. The Fellowship will offer a highly qualified candidate interdisciplinary training in maternal-child health and mental wellbeing, under the supervision of Professor Nazilla Khanlou. Specifically, the fellowship will focus on applied aspects of maternal-child health and mental wellbeing. Priority will be given to a candidate whose emerging program of research addresses one or more of the following foci: 1) community-based approaches to maternal-child health promotion and social support, 2) equitable access to maternal-child health services and programs by marginalized populations, 3) ecosystemic resilience in relation to impacts of natural disasters on maternal-child health, and 4) innovative approaches in maternal-child health and mental wellbeing policy and practice.

Expectations: The successful candidate will be expected to: 1) engage in grant writing and research related to their topic with demonstrated congruence between their epistemological underpinnings and methodological approach, 2) participate in knowledge dissemination through manuscript preparation and presentations, 3) be actively involved in the Lillian Meighen Wright Student Scholars Academy (<https://nkhanlou.info.yorku.ca/students/lillian-wright-student-scholars/>), 4) participate in interdisciplinary team activities related to maternal-child health, 5) demonstrate emerging leadership in bridging research with practice and policy, and 6) submit a mid-year and an end-of- year report on fellowship activities.

Qualifications: Open to applicants from all disciplines who have completed their doctoral studies within the *last two years* and who have relevant prior education/ training/ professional experience in the above identified areas of postdoctoral focus.

Duration and compensation: One (1) year in total. Total compensation is \$62,000 CAD Salary, plus Post-Doctoral Visitors Health Benefit Package. Up to \$3,000 CAD available to support relevant scholarship activities.

Application process: Applicants are requested to send via email to Dr. Nazilla Khanlou (contact information below) by 15 May 2025 the following information:

- 1) Letter of intent outlining their previous experience relevant to the postdoctoral fellowship and their objectives for the 1-year fellowship,
- 2) Curriculum Vitae,
- 3) Names and contact information of 3 references (2 should be academic referees), and
- 4) Samples of their published or in press manuscripts.

Please send all required material in one email as attachments and indicate in the subject line of email: "Lillian Meighen Wright Postdoctoral Fellowship application (2025)".



Only short-listed applicants will be contacted in June 2025. The Fellowship is expected to begin in September 2025.

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