**Canadian Academy of Health Sciences**

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS 2024 DEADLINE: March 10 2025**

The objective of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS) is to provide assessments of and advice on key issues relevant to the health of Canadians. The Academy recognizes the full breadth of health science including all of the medical and allied health

h sciences ranging from fundamental science to social science and population health.

Fellows elected to the Academy will be health and biomedical science leaders who have achieved national and international peer **recognition** for their contributions to the health sciences (awards, invited lectures, invited reviews and editorials) and who have demonstrated potential and commitment to work with the Academy to [advance it’s mission.](https://cahs-acss.ca/mission-vision-values-our-promise/)

The academy recognizes distinguished candidates who have achieved international **recognition** and sustained excellence within the many fields of health sciences accomplished to date.

Candidates will have demonstrated **leadership and potential for civic contribution and engagement** (evidenced by elected or appointed roles and offices in their own institution and in regional, national and international organizations); **creativity and productivity** (exceptional scholarship, publications, innovative technologies, patents, and other non-traditional measurements of success and accomplishment); **distinctive competencies** (the Academy recognizes people with diverse backgrounds, expertise and experiences that will contribute to the body of expertise of the CAHS); **demonstrated commitment to advancement of health sciences and public health outcomes** (academic service and innovation at local, national and international levels, including teaching and public/community service); and **evidence of contributions to advance inclusivity, diversity, equity, and accessibility in Canada.**

Given the Academy’s mission and vision, and its expectation that Fellows will be active in promoting improved health, health care and health-related policies, the latter criterion is particularly important in the nomination process. **The Academy is committed to inclusivity, diversity, equity, and accessibility during its selection process.**

Individuals are elected to the organization after a nominating and peer review procedure, which seeks to recognize those who have a demonstrated track record of sustained exceptional accomplishment and impact. **The review places considerable emphasis on internationally recognized leadership and contributions that have meaningfully advanced the academic health sciences, health care, health policy or related impacts.** Individuals working in government, NGO or private sectors are eligible if they have a stellar record of accomplishment in the public interest that attests to their ability to advance the mission and goals of CAHS. At the time of election, Fellows working in a university will normally hold the rank of Full Professor and those working in other non-academic sectors will normally have senior positions.

All nominees must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents unless exceptional circumstances prompt the Board to rule otherwise.

Election to the Academy is considered one of the highest honours for members of the Canadian health sciences community. This honour embodies a covenant to serve the Academy and the future well-being of the health sciences irrespective of the Fellow’s specific discipline.

Nominations are active for **one** year after the first submission and updates to the original nomination package are accepted through this period. If an applicant is unsuccessful on two occasions, they will need to wait two years to re-apply. What constitutes an update? Well, it may be the replacement of one piece of the original submission or the entire nomination package. To be accepted as a carry forward nomination, we must receive written intent to join the process for 2025.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**Three** letters of nomination are required. CAHS will consider applications where none of the nominators are CAHS Fellows.

**The primary nominator must** provide a letter of nomination that introduces the nominee and co-nominators.

**Two co-nominators**, who would normally be an institutional leader from the nominee’s institution and a colleague from a different institution, national or international, will attest their support for the nomination.

Letters should:

* describe the nature and duration of the professional relationship(s) with the nominee and must address in specific paragraphs the first five (5) characteristics of recognition, leadership, creativity, distinct competencies, and commitment to advance the health sciences;
	+ The **primary nominator** should describe how the nominee positively contributes to inclusivity, diversity, equity and accessibility (IDEA) through their teaching, research, scholarship, and service roles.
	+ **Co-nominators** also may address the above (IDEA) if they have knowledge of the nominee’s contributions.
	+ You may wish to review the following links, as a framework of how you might describe and value a nominee’s IDEA related activities and outcomes:
		- [NSERC guide on integrating equity, diversity and inclusion considerations in research](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Policies-Politiques/EDI_guidance-Conseils_EDI_eng.asp)
		- [Research Excellence at CIHR](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/53904.html)
		- [The San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA)](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/51731.html)
* be based on personal knowledge of the work of the nominee;
* expand on statements made in the CV, but not restate them as presented by the nominee.

Letters should not include specific paragraphs for any of the six (6) characteristics where a nominator cannot provide personal knowledge of the contributions a nominee has made to that characteristic.

**NO MORE THAN THREE (3) LETTERS OF NOMINATION WILL BE ACCEPTED. Letters should not be more than 3 pages long.**

CVs should clearly support and show evidence of the six (6) characteristics of recognition, leadership, creativity, distinct competencies, and commitment to advance the health sciences and evidence of contributions to advance IDEA in Canada.

There is no page limit for submitted CVs, but please be mindful to reviewers. A summarized CV, or one page summary of your CV, that shows how specific entries relate to the six (6) characteristics would be welcome.

The primary nominator is responsible to co-ordinate the nomination package. Submissions should follow the order below and be submitted by email to kbimm@cahs-acss.ca.

* + - 1. Data sheet on nominee, citation and key words, succinct summary of nominee’s overall accomplishments and contributions.

1. Letters of nomination from three (3) nominators (including the primary nominator which appears first). Each letter must not be longer than 3 pages.
2. Personal statement from the nominee on the commitment s/he is willing to make to advance academic health sciences, as well as a personal statement from the nominee describing their contributions to advancing inclusivity, diversity, equity, and accessibility in Canada. A note for the guidance of the nominee in this regard is included in this nomination package and should be provided to the nominee by the first nominator.
3. Curriculum vitae of the nominee that clearly identifies trainees as authors of papers by means of an asterisk on the trainee’s name.

Electronic submissions only to Kayla Bimm at kbimm@cahs-acss.ca

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# NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP DEADLINE: March 10 2025

**NOMINEE**

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**NOMINATORS**

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**First Nominator’s Complete Address:**

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**Citation**

Please provide a Citation of 100 words or less describing the accomplishments and contributions of the nominee in the third person. The language used should be suitable for ceremonies, lay communications and media releases.

**Keywords**

Please provide a list of keywords covering the nominee’s areas of expertise including content areas, techniques and methodologies. These will be used in assembling the national expertise databases for use in assembling Assessment Panels.

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Please provide a succinct summary and assessment (not more than 500 words, 11-point typeface) of the nominee’s accomplishments and contributions that justify election into the Academy.

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Please provide a succinct summary and assessment **from the nominee** (not more than 300 words, 11-point typeface) addressing their contributions to advancing inclusivity, diversity, equity, and accessibility in Canada that justify election into the Academy.

This section could focus on:

* describing how you – in your teaching, research, scholarship, and service roles – have positively contributed to inclusivity, diversity, equity, and accessibility in your environment and community;
* personal philosophies related to IDEA;
* a brief description of efforts and activities you have undertaken regarding IDEA;
* a brief summary of results, impacts, and outcomes (with citations/evidence if available) of IDEA related activities;
* a description of how personal factors or demographic characteristics may have influenced or impacted the nominees career trajectory/productivity.

You may wish to review the following links, as a framework of how you might describe and value your IDEA related activities and outcomes:

* [NSERC guide on integrating equity, diversity and inclusion considerations in research](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/Policies-Politiques/EDI_guidance-Conseils_EDI_eng.asp)
* [Research Excellence at CIHR](https://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/53904.html)
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Please provide a personal statement **from the nominee** (not to exceed 500 words, 11-point typeface) on the commitment s/he is willing to make to advance academic health sciences. This section should focus on providing 2-3 examples of how the nominee has **actively participated and had an impact** in volunteer associations, societies or other groups (that are not part of her/his paid work) and how the nominee **anticipates actively working in the Academy**.

NOTICE OF NOMINATION TO THE CANADIAN ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Dear Colleague,

We are delighted to advise you that you are being considered for admission to Fellowship in the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS). Fellowship in the CAHS is the honorific recognition by your peers of the meaningful and substantial contributions you have made to the promotion of health science.

In agreeing to be nominated, it is important that you understand the distinctive characteristics of the CAHS. In particular, your acceptance of Fellowship carries with it a covenant to serve the Academy and give of your talents and time to fellow Canadians. The primary reason for establishing the Academy was to conduct assessments on topics relevant to the health of Canadians. In this, and related activities, Fellowship facilitates a fulfillment of your social contract relating to the investment made by Canada in the support of your work.

Further discussion of our past, current and planned future activities are available on the website at <http://www.cahs-acss.ca>

We trust this letter, together with information provided on the website, will provide you with an appropriate background and context for your potential inclusion in the Academy.

Best regards,

**Dr. L. Trevor Young, MD, PhD, FCAHS**

President, Canadian Academy of Health Sciences

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