

The President's Award For Public Engagement Partnerships

2023 Awards Guide

About this Guide

This guide contains the information you need to submit an application to the 2023 President's Award for Public Engagement Partnerships. For information on other public engagement (PE) funds and awards, see [our website](#).

Memorial University's President's Award for Public Engagement Partnerships celebrates exemplary community-university partnerships that are in keeping with the goals of Memorial's [Public Engagement Framework](#) (PEF).

About the President's Award for Public Engagement Partnerships

The President's Award for Public Engagement Partnerships is designed to help meet the goals and objectives of Memorial University's [Public Engagement Framework](#) by celebrating collaborative activities between the public and members of Memorial's community.

One award is offered annually for outstanding collaborative partnerships between one or more faculty members, staff and/or students **in partnership with** an organization or group from outside of Memorial.

Award recipients will be presented with a certificate by the President of Memorial University during the annual President's Awards ceremony. The partnership will also receive a cash award of \$5000 to support ongoing activities. The cash award will be administered by Memorial University through the Memorial principal applicant's department to enable continuation of the partnership.

The President's Award for Public Engagement Partnerships:

- recognizes well established community-university collaborations that have made significant positive impacts
- is awarded to a partnership that can serve as a model for exemplary public engagement
- demonstrates novel or boundary-pushing approaches to community-university partnership

Eligible Nominees

Nominations are accepted for well-established collaborative partnerships that demonstrate a commitment to the values, goals and objectives of Memorial's [Public Engagement Framework](#) and [Memorial's Mission](#).

Nominated partnerships must include members from both within and outside the university, including staff, faculty and/or students, and members of the public.

The nominated partnership must be active in the current calendar year.

Nominated partnerships can be from any discipline.

Partnerships must clearly demonstrate mutual contribution and mutual benefit with public partners and collaborators. (Nomination Assessment Criteria Below)

Nomination Process

Nominations are invited from members of the public and from the university community. Nominators are required to complete a nomination form via our [online submission platform](#). Receipt of your submission will be confirmed by the system auto-responder e-mail. If you have difficulty, or have not received confirmation within two (2) business days of your submission, please contact us at engagement@mun.ca.

Nominations will be accepted from April 18 to June 2, 2023. No new nominations will be accepted after the nomination window has closed.

Evaluation Process

1. Submitted applications are reviewed for completeness and eligibility by OPE staff.
2. Voting members individually review eligible applications (Individual Online Review).
3. The committee meets to review online results, discuss proposals & make a recommendation for the winning nomination.

The review committee is comprised of members from the Expert Working Group on Public Engagement, and other representatives, including those that are both internal and external to Memorial.

Nomination Assessment Criteria

Nominations will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- evidence of genuine engagement with community partners/collaborators (mutual contributions)
- demonstrated benefit to Memorial and to the public (mutual benefits)
- breadth and depth of partnership and impacts
- partnerships that model high quality public engagement
- demonstrates novel or boundary-pushing approaches to community-university partnership

Application Schedule

Below is the anticipated timeline for the awards process.

Call for Nominations	Closing Date	*Notification to Award Recipients, Nominators and Applicants	President's Awards Ceremony
April 18, 2023	June 2, 2023	Fall, 2023	TBD

*Award recipients will be notified directly by the President's Office, and award decisions will be posted on Memorial's website. The winning partnership is named on the President's Award certificate.

Questions

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