



## CALL FOR APPLICANTS 2024-2025 Impact Scholar Community Mentorship Program

After the successful launch of our inaugural mentorship program last year, we are excited to announce the second iteration of the Impact Scholar Mentorship Program. The program represents our dedicated efforts to actively support early-career researchers in fostering scholarly engagement within the research impact discourse. Through mentorship, resources, and peer-to-peer guidance, our goal is to empower early-career researchers, helping them cultivate confidence and recognition as engaged scholars in their fields.

The new cohort of the **Impact Scholar Mentorship Program** starts October 2024! Our intent for the new cohort is to give 10-12 early career researchers (PhD students, Postdoctoral Fellows, Assistant Professors) studying a novel set of social and environmental challenges from around the world access to the best minds in academia – with the intent of rapidly moving more impactful and diverse research forward to successful top-tier publications. Accordingly, we partnered with leading senior scholars in the field to join us as mentors. All mentors are committed to inspire the cohort and to help move all projects forward. See the list of mentors and discussion topics below:

Session	Topics	Mentors
October 2024	Activism in Academia: Driving Change through Research	<b>Sandra Waddock</b> (Boston College) <b>Mike Barnett</b> (Rutgers University)
December 2024	Cross-Discipline Connections: Broadening Research Impact	<b>Christine Beckman</b> (University of California, Santa Barbara) <b>Christopher Wickert</b> (Vrije University)
February 2025	Data Analysis: Drawing out Impactful Insights	<b>Jonatan Pinkse</b> (King's College London) <b>Rodolphe Durand</b> (HEC Paris)
April 2025	Impactful Writing: Developing Core Arguments	<b>Charlene Zietsma</b> (University of Michigan) <b>Aparna Joshi</b> (University of Michigan)
June 2025	Engaging with the Public: Bridging Research and Society	<b>Sophie Bacq</b> (IMD Business School) <b>Klaus Weber</b> (Northwestern University) <b>Featuring: ONE Outreach Award Winner</b>

**The program starts in October this year and will run until August 2025.** It is designed to provide a platform for mentees to learn from accomplished scholars over the course of monthly meetings (alternating between mentoring and peer-to-peer sessions). The program will be conducted virtually and **every member is expected to show up prepared to every meeting.** Preparation includes submitting updated documents and reflections to a shared Dropbox account prior to each meeting. While timing will vary depending on mentors' schedules, we will aim for a 10am EST slot to include as many time zones as feasible.

If you are interested in joining the Impact Scholar Community Cohort, **please send your application documents to the mentorship program coordinator Cat Summers** ([catowsik@umich.edu](mailto:catowsik@umich.edu)), cc'ing the Impact Scholar Community team leaders Sylvia Grewatsch ([sgrewatsch@brocku.ca](mailto:sgrewatsch@brocku.ca)) and Wren Montgomery ([wmontgomery@ivey.ca](mailto:wmontgomery@ivey.ca)), **by August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. Application documents should include: an updated CV and a motivation letter highlighting your vision for and engagement with impactful research (2 pages). Everyone is invited to apply. Priority will be given to candidates who have defended their dissertation within the last five years or are in the last year of their PhD program.