EVALUATION CRITERIA

Funding Program: AI Expert-in-Residence

Fiscal Year: 2026-2027

Program Goal: The AI Expert-in-Residence will explore how ResearchNB can leverage artificial intelligence to improve our business. Through a six-month residency, the Expert-in-Residence will connect regularly with members of our organization, generate a deeper understanding of our business model, and assess the potential for AI to improve our abilities to deliver on our mandate of powering discovery together.

Criteria

The application will be assessed based on the following criteria:

1. To what extent does the applicant demonstrate that their current area of research, professional expertise, and experience align with the objectives of this residency?
2. To what extent does the applicant demonstrate experience collaborating with organizations, partners, or stakeholders to identify challenges and develop recommendations or solutions?
3. To what extent does the applicant present a clear, feasible, and collaborative approach to engaging ResearchNB staff and support the development of AI integration strategy across the four domains?

Scoring Rubric

1	**Does not satisfy the criterion**
2	**Partially satisfies the criterion**
3	**Satisfies the criterion**
4	**Strongly satisfies the criterion**
5	**Exceeds the criterion**

Review & Scoring Processes

This funding program uses an internal review process. Short-listed applicants will be invited for an in-person interview

Criteria will be scored using the above scoring rubric. Each reviewer's scores are averaged across the evaluation criteria. Averaged scores will then be used to rank applications.