**Heller School Early Career Research Investigator Award**  
Nomination Form  
*Any PI, Institute or Center Director may submit nominations for the Early Career Research Investigator Award. If you want to nominate someone but are not a PI or Director, please nominate through your PI, Institute or Center Director. Nominations should be approved by the Institute Director, but more than one per institute can be submitted.*

*Note that this award can include anyone who has made a significant contribution to the a Heller research team, and does not have to be a PhD. All Research Assistants, Senior Research Assistants, and other titles and levels are eligible. However, please remember* ***that only Heller faculty and staff who are approximately ten years or less from being awarded their most recent degree are eligible for this award****.*

**Criteria include:**

* **Contribution of the research to science or current literature**
* **Contribution of the researcher to success of the research team**
* **Importance of the issue in terms of social policy**
* **Innovation / creativity**
* **Impact or potential impact of the work on diverse or underserved populations**
* **Contribution to Heller social impact mission**

Nominations will include a 2-3 page summary describing how the researcher has met each of the criteria, and the nominee's CV.

You may email the completed form and nominee’s CV (as an attachment) to Cindy Thomas ([cthomas@brandeis.edu](mailto:cthomas@brandeis.edu)) and Joanne Beswick (beswick@brandeis.edu). Please use the subject line “Heller Research Award 2025”.

Please fill in the information requested below.

Your Name (Optional): \_

Your Institute/Center/Collaborative (Required): \_

Name of the individual you are nominating: \_

Explain in detail why you think this individual deserves the Heller Early Career Research Investigator Award (Please refer back to each of the criteria for this award): \_