

## **TELUS World of Science – Edmonton is proud to announce Jeremiah Bryksa as its 2023 Science Fellow**

**EDMONTON, AB – March 1, 2023** – Each year, TELUS World of Science – Edmonton’s Science Fellowship program recognizes one outstanding young researcher or innovator in Northern Alberta. This year, the Science Centre is proud to announce Jeremiah Bryksa as the 2023 award recipient.

Bryksa is an applied chemist on the Clean Technologies team at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT), whose current research focuses on an emerging environmental contaminant, microplastics, with much of his research conducted locally in the North Saskatchewan River.

“The Science Fellowship program represents a unique opportunity for connecting and collaborating with local members of the scientific community,” said Alan Nursall, TELUS World of Science - Edmonton President and CEO. “We are thrilled and eager to see what this year’s Science Fellow will bring to the Science Centre Team and to all of our guests!”

As the Science Centre’s 2023 Science Fellow, Bryksa will receive a monetary award, as well as professional development scholarship opportunities through the program. Throughout the year, Bryksa will participate in several community outreach programs hosted at TELUS World of Science – Edmonton, allowing guests to learn more about his research.

“I am thrilled to be selected as this year’s Science Fellow,” said Bryksa. “I look forward to taking complicated scientific material and making it easy to understand, fun to learn, and to have the opportunity to communicate my research to the public. I also look forward to working with and motivating youth. I think there are many great career paths they can take in STEM, and there is no better place to connect with and inspire young people than at TELUS World of Science – Edmonton.”

"Jeremiah is a brilliant, passionate and rigorous scientist. He possesses a rare blend of scientific expertise and strong communication skills and is an invaluable member of NAIT's applied research team. I'm pleased that he will serve as the 2023 Science Fellow at the TELUS World of Science and I have no doubt he'll effectively share his passion for science throughout the year." - Laura Jo Gunter, NAIT President and CEO

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TELUS World of Science – Edmonton’s mission is to: Ignite curiosity. Inspire discovery. Celebrate science. Change lives. We are the destination to engage Albertans’ hearts and minds in science. The Edmonton Space & Science Foundation is a non-profit organization that operates TELUS World of Science – Edmonton.