Ford Foundation Fellowship Programs
Predoctoral, Dissertation, and Postdoctoral Awards

As of September 8, 2020, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine will be accepting applications for the 2021 Ford Foundation Fellowship Programs.

Through its program of fellowships, the Ford Foundation seeks to increase the diversity of the nation’s college and university faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, maximize the educational benefits of diversity, and increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students.

Eligibility Requirements:

• All U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, and U.S. permanent residents (holders of a Permanent Resident Card); individuals granted deferred action status under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Program;¹ Indigenous individuals exercising rights associated with the Jay Treaty of 1794; individuals granted Temporary Protected Status; political asylees; and refugees, regardless of race, national origin, religion, gender, age, disability, or sexual orientation;
• Individuals with evidence of superior academic achievement (such as grade point average, class rank, honors or other designations); and
• Individuals committed to a career in teaching and research at the college or university level in the U.S.

¹Eligibility includes individuals with current status under the DACA Program, as well as individuals whose status may have lapsed but who continue to meet all the USCIS guidelines for DACA.

Stipends:

• Predoctoral: $27,000 per year for three years
• Dissertation: $28,000 for one year
• Postdoctoral: $50,000 for one year

Awardees will receive an invitation to attend at least one Conference of Ford Fellows. Approximately 70 predoctoral, 36 dissertation, and 24 postdoctoral fellowships will be awarded.

Application Deadline Dates:

• Predoctoral: December 17, 2020 (5:00 PM EST)
• Dissertation: December 10, 2020 (5:00 PM EST)
• Postdoctoral: December 10, 2020 (5:00 PM EST)

Supplementary Materials receipt deadline for submitted applications is January 7, 2021 (5:00 PM EST)

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