

Fellowship FAQs

Is the fellowship open to incoming graduate students? I will be enrolled by December 31, 2021, but not by the application deadline.

No, you must be enrolled in a qualifying graduate program by the application deadline to be eligible for a fellowship.

Is this fellowship open to students in fields other than science and technology?

Yes! This fellowship program is open to all graduate students who research water, whether that research is in science, technology, policy, or economics—and beyond. Carefully read the directions for each fellowship you apply for, as each carries its own qualification requirements.

I have too many publications to fit within the page limit. What do I do?

Please prioritize your publications, and include the most relevant publications within your list. Do not exceed the page limit.

Can I use figures in my research proposal?

Yes, you may use figures in your research proposal; however, be sure to stay within the page limit.

Is this fellowship program open to graduate students attending schools outside of the United States?

No. To qualify for this fellowship program, you must attend a United-States based graduate program.

Is this fellowship program open to international students?

Yes. This fellowship program is open to international students who are enrolled in a United States-based graduate program. There is no US citizenship requirement.

What is the minimum font size I can use in my application?

The minimum is an 11-point font.

What can I use the funds for if I am awarded a fellowship?

Fellowship awards are intended to enhance your resources, not to replace existing funding, therefore:

- The award may be used as a stipend or to pay for supplies, equipment, travel for conferences and field work, training, and other expenses for your research project.
- The use of the funding will be determined by you and your advisor.
- The fellowship funding cannot be used for overhead costs charged by your university (our policy).

I sent in my application, but my research is changing (to a different project/to a different advisor/etc.). What do I do?

Please contact NWRI at fellow@nwri-usa.org as soon as possible about changes to your research project. It's important that we know about such changes, as each fellowship has specific requirements. Changes to your research project may change your eligibility for a specific fellowship award.

If I am awarded a fellowship, is there a deadline by which the funds must be spent?

No, there is no deadline for spending funds.

Can you give me some tips on my application?

Sure!

- Be sure your advisor sends in your letter of support by the application deadline. You may need to remind them to send in your letter of support.
- Make sure your pdf files open offline in Adobe Acrobat, not just in a web browser. If the file will not open for us when we download it and/or the file displays as blank, we cannot process your application. The same goes for corrupted files; if one of your files is corrupted and we cannot open it, we cannot process your application. Check your files before sending them in.
- Carefully read and follow the directions for preparing and submitting your application. Be sure to stay within any word count or page limits.

I've sent my application in on a Friday night. It is Saturday morning and I have not received an "Application Received" message yet. What do I do?

We work Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., excluding federal holidays. If you submit your application outside of business hours, you will receive a confirmation message on the next business day.

Have a question about your specific project or application? Feel free to email us with your question at fellow@nwri-usa.org.

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