

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

# Open Society Presidential Fellowship

The Open Society Presidential Fellowship is awarded yearly to recent J.D., LL.M., M.P.A., M.P.P., and M.B.A. graduates from accredited U.S. law, public policy, and business schools. Based in New York City, Fellows pursue work related to human rights, good governance, and justice through an eleven month residence within the Office of the President at the Open Society Foundations.

The Open Society Presidential Fellowships will be awarded to three (3) students graduating in 2015 from an accredited U.S. law, public policy, or business school. Fellows will work with staff, grantees, and other fellows on special initiatives that address the legal, business, policy, and organizational issues confronted by the Foundations' various programs and projects. They will gain exposure and connections to the Open Society Foundations' leadership and partner organizations, and cultivate knowledge about open society strategies.

The term of the Open Society Presidential Fellowship is 11 months. The 2016 fellowship will commence in September 2016 with the term ending in July 2017. Fellows will receive a salary of \$65,000 plus benefits.

### Guidelines

Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis for MPA/MPP and MBA applicants. Please apply via <http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/jobs> and select the appropriate fellowship.

JD and LLM applicants should reference the JD/LLM application at <http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/open-society-presidential-fellowship>

All application materials are due by Friday, December 10, 2015. Finalists will be notified in December 2015 and interviews will be conducted in January 2016.

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A completed application consists of the following items:

- Fellowship Application
- Official Transcript
- Resume
- Two Letters of Recommendation from any:
  - University Advisor
  - University Professor
  - Former or Current Employer

Recommendation letters can be included in the single PDF or can be emailed separately to [humanresources@opensocietyfoundations.org](mailto:humanresources@opensocietyfoundations.org) with “OOP-Fellow [YOUR LAST NAME]” in the subject line.

## Personal Essays

1. Explain the background, skills, experience, and personal characteristics that you have that will enable you to serve effectively as an Open Society Presidential Fellow. (600 words)
2. How will the Fellowship impact your plans for the future and your vision of your long-term career? (300 words)

## Non-Discrimination Policy

The Open Society Foundations Presidential Fellowship is committed to a policy against discrimination based on race, color, religion, gender, political beliefs, national origin, disability, age, or sexual orientation.