



# PRESIDENT'S POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM



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University of California, University of Michigan,  
University of Colorado-Boulder, University of Maryland,  
Carnegie Mellon University, University of Minnesota  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte  
President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Programs  
Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellowship Programs

## Application Requirements

### 1. Citizenship & employment status:

Successful applicants must present documents demonstrating that they are legally authorized to work in the United States without restrictions or limitations. Information regarding citizenship, gender, race, ethnicity, disability and veteran status is requested for statistical purposes only and will not be provided to the Selection Committee. Please review the selection guidelines for each of the programs below:

- University of California selection guidelines: <http://ppfp.ucop.edu/info/how-to-apply/evaluation-and-selection.html>
- University of Michigan selection guidelines: <http://presidentspostdoc.umich.edu/evaluation.php>
- University of Colorado Boulder selection guidelines: <http://www.colorado.edu/postdoctoralaffairs/current-postdocs/chancellors-postdoctoral-fellowship-program>
- University of Maryland selection guidelines: <http://faculty.umd.edu/presidentspostdoc/evaluation.html>
- Carnegie Mellon University selection guidelines: <http://www.cmu.edu/faculty-office/ppfp/applicants/index.html>
- University of Minnesota selection guidelines: <https://faculty.umn.edu/evaluation-and-selection>
- University of North Carolina at Charlotte selection guidelines: <https://diversitypostdoc.uncc.edu/eligibility>

### 2. Date PhD completed or expected: (Select one)

- before January 1, 2020
- between January 1 and June 30, 2020;
- after June 30, 2020

### 3. Institution granting Ph.D.:

### 4. Discipline and sub-discipline of Ph.D.:

**5. Academic appointment:**

**6. Informative title of your proposed research:**

**7. Discipline of the proposed research:**

**8. Area or sub-discipline of the proposed research:**

**9. Research proposal**

Please provide a 700 – 1,000 word typed statement describing your proposed research and its significance within your discipline **in PDF format**. **Please note:** The review committee may not consider proposals that exceed the word limit. References, citations, formulas and graphics do not count. Applicants may submit a unique research proposal for each institution.

Research Proposal for each institution:

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**10. Ph.D. thesis abstract**

Provide a one-page abstract of your Ph.D. thesis in **PDF format**.

Dissertation Abstract:

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**11. Educational background & personal experience statement**

Please provide a 500-700 word statement **in PDF format** describing your educational background and personal experience in higher education, and your contributions to diversity and equal opportunity in higher education. Please review the selection guidelines for each of the programs and comment on any aspects of your academic record or goals that meet those criteria.

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- University of Maryland selection guidelines:  
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Education Background Statement:

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## 12. Curriculum Vitae

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## 13. Writing sample

Provide a sample publication or unpublished research paper **in PDF format**. Please limit the writing sample to 35 pages. References, citations, formulas and graphics do not count toward the page limit. The review committee may not consider writing samples that exceed the page limit.

Writing Sample:

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## 14. Mentor contact information (entered in the **Research Proposal** section of the online application)

**Before entering faculty mentor information**, be sure to obtain the sponsorship of the tenured faculty member other than your PhD dissertation advisor who is willing to serve as your primary mentor.

Name and campus affiliation of the tenured ladder-rank professor other than your Ph.D. dissertation advisor, who is not from your home campus and has agreed to serve as your mentor:

University of California Mentor: Name

Department

UC Campus (Select One)

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's official campus e-mail address.)

University of Michigan Mentor: Name

Department

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's official campus e-mail address.)

University of Colorado Boulder Mentor: Name

Department

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's official campus e-mail address.)

University of Maryland Mentor: Name

Department

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's official campus e-mail address.)

Carnegie Mellon University Mentor: Name

Department

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's official campus e-mail address.)

University of Minnesota Mentor: Name

Department

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's official campus e-mail address.)

University of North Carolina at Charlotte Mentor:

Name Department

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's official campus e-mail address.)

**15. COLORADO APPLICANTS ONLY – Department Chair contact information** (also entered in the **Research Proposal** section)

The online application system, in concert with your proposed faculty mentor, will request a letter of support from the department chair. This separate letter from the department chair should describe the department's level of interest in hiring the applicant into a tenure-track position and/or identify a potential fit with another University of Colorado Boulder department, if that is appropriate.

University of Colorado Boulder Department Chair:

Name Department

E-mail Address (Please use mentor's department chair official campus e-mail address.)

**AFTER** the application is submitted, the online application will send e-mails directly to your mentor and up to two references (one must be your thesis advisor) requesting that they upload their recommendations/letters through a provided URL that will connect the uploaded documents to your online application. Each applicant must complete the entire application **BEFORE** the online system will send the URL and instructions to the mentor and references.

The PFP application provides applicants with the ability submit one application to multiple institutions using the same documents (Education Background Statement, Thesis Abstract, CV, Writing Sample, Thesis Advisor Letter and one option secondary reference) with the exception of the Research Proposal and the Faculty Mentor Letter.

The deadline for faculty recommendations and the mentor letter of support is **December 1**.

The e-mail to mentors will ask them to address the following in a letter of support:

- a) Applicant's planned research;
- b) expected coursework; if any;
- c) extent to which the applicant will participate in departmental and campus academic activity (e.g., seminar programs);
- d) extent of applicant's anticipated participation at national/international research meetings;
- e) facilities and resources available to the fellow;
- f) mentor's involvement in mentoring for other programs designed to increase access and opportunity in higher education;
- g) For applications for the Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellowship Programs, especially for the University of Colorado, Boulder, mentors letter should address the department's future hiring plans and the applicant's potential for appointment at UC.

**16. References**

Reference #1 (**Thesis Advisor**) Name:

Department:

Campus (Select one or specify if not UC/UM/UCB/UMD/CMU/UMN/UNCC):

E-mail address (Please use official campus e-mail address):

Reference #2 (Optional) Name: Department:

Campus (Select one or specify if not UC/UM/UCB/UMD/CMU/UMN/UNCC):

E-mail address (Please use official campus e-mail address):

Again, **AFTER** the application is submitted, the online application system will send an e-mail directly to the thesis advisor asking to address the following:

- A) The quality and originality of the applicant's work;
- B) the applicant's potential for an academic teaching; and research career. If the applicant's Ph.D. is in progress, rate the likelihood of its completion by July 1, 2020.

**17. Is this the first time you have applied for a President's Postdoctoral Fellowship? Yes/No**

**18. How did you hear about the program? (check all that apply)**

- An announcement in a paper or journal; journal name:
- A website; website name:
- An announcement in a paper or journal
- A program announcement or email
- A UC faculty member or University office
- Students or friends
- Former or current President's or Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellow

**19. Are you applying for other grants or fellowships? Yes/No; please specify:**

**20. Official Graduate Transcripts** will be requested upon notification of finalist status. Official graduate transcripts will be requested and required in order to receive fellowship offer. Finalists will be notified by March 31 and awards announced in mid-summer.