2025 Call for Applications

We are looking for:

- Curious and creative scientists interested in pursuing ambitious postdoctoral research with world-leading scientists in a field different from their PhD. This scientific pivot from the PhD research field to a distinct postdoctoral research field during the Fellowship is core to our Program.
- Academically excellent, risk-positive, early-career researchers who can demonstrate a commitment to ambitious, high-impact science.
- Future leaders with the scientific curiosity, moral force of character, and collaborative spirit to lead teams and unlock transformative discoveries.
- To learn more, please watch our video: Who is a Schmidt Science Fellow?

As a Schmidt Science Fellow, you will receive:

- A personal stipend of US$110,000 per year for up to two years of postdoctoral study in a different area from your PhD, at any approved location worldwide.
- Scientific freedom to pursue ambitious research goals, take risks, and have bold ideas.
- Personalized mentoring to help develop as scientific and societal thought leaders.
- A bespoke professional development curriculum delivered across three week-long residential convenings and a rich set of virtual offerings through our Science Leadership Program.
- A lifelong fellowship community with continued support, interaction, and collaboration opportunities. This stimulating and caring fellowship community is at the heart of the Schmidt Science Fellows Program and is a distinguishing factor among other postdoctoral funding opportunities.

To be eligible, you must:

- Be studying for a PhD in natural sciences (Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Earth Sciences), Engineering, Mathematics, Computing – or any of the sub-disciplines, at one of our nominating partner institutions. Individuals on clinical track MD-PhD or Veterinary-PhD programs are not eligible.
- Expect to complete all requirements for the conferral of your PhD between May 15, 2024 and June 30, 2025, be able to start your Fellowship in July 2025 or October 2025 and be available from April 2025 to July 2026 to attend onboarding activities, and in-person convenings.
- Be formally nominated by the designated official at your institution.

Please note: Application and selection process and delivery of Fellowship programming will be in English.

Next steps:

- Please contact your university coordinator in the first instance for complete details. If you do not know who this is, contact nominations@schmidtsciencefellows.org. Registration opens May 9, 2024 and closes May 30, 2024. Application deadline is July 10, 2024.

For more details, see: www.schmidtsciencefellows.org