

# Quad Fellowship



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# Introduction - Quad

**Run by:** Institute of International Education (IIE), on behalf of the Quad governments

**Mission:** Build a collaborative global network of the next generation's top scientists and technologists committed to positive social impact

**Open to:** STEM students from Quad countries (Australia, India, Japan, U.S.) and ASEAN nations pursuing graduate study in the U.S.

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## **Academic Excellence**

Candidates should have demonstrated excellence in a STEM field through academic success.

## **Passion for the Intersection of STEM and Social Impact**

Candidates should demonstrate their interest and engagement in the impact that science and technology can have on society and the collective good.

## **Curiosity, Compassion, and Integrity**

Candidates should demonstrate an expansive and interdisciplinary sense of curiosity, an interest in building and sustaining genuine connections between individuals with differing cultural, socio-economic, and professional backgrounds.

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## **Sense of Initiative**

Candidates should describe their track record and abilities to produce tangible, successful, and positive results.

## **Innovation and Creativity**

Candidates should describe their unique perspectives and creative approaches to the issues they most care about. This can be demonstrated by original academic work or extracurricular opportunities.

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**Programs Supported :**

**Master's degrees and doctorate of philosophy (PhD) degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields**

**Key Benefit :**

**Multi-day in-person summit; virtual programming with STEM, government, and society leaders; global alumni network**

**Stackable**

**Yes – the award can be used w/ fellowships and grants**

*One-time financial award + programming + alumni network*

## Award Funding - Quad

Applied toward academic expenses (tuition, fees, books, room & board)

**\$40,000 one-time personal award**

**Internships:**  
not supported

**Add'l Support:**  
Separate needs-based funding of up to \$25,000 available to all Fellows; travel to multi-day summit

# Eligibility - Quad

**Citizen or legal permanent resident of Australia, India, Japan, the U.S., or any of the 10 ASEAN countries.**

**Academic Status:** Hold a bachelor's degree in a STEM field by August 2027; prospective or current full-time STEM graduate student at a U.S. university.

**Minimum GPA:** Superior academic achievement at the undergraduate level (no fixed GPA stated).

# Application Components - Quad

<https://www.quadfellowship.org/apply>

## **Official Transcript from Undergraduate University**

The Quad Fellowship requires a complete and official record of your higher education.

## **Statement of Purpose**

The Statement of Purpose is your opportunity to explain your academic and professional interests and experiences. It should also include how you intend to impact society for the better through your work.

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## 2 Short Essays

The short essay responses are opportunities to demonstrate in more detail what you would uniquely bring to the Quad Fellowship and how the fellowship would contribute to your academic and professional goals. *There are two required essay subjects: Curiosity, Compassion, and Integrity and Initiative, Innovation, and Creativity.*

## Resume

Your resume should be no more than 2 pages and should include all relevant experiences, including but not limited to education, work experience, volunteer work, and publications.

# Timeline - Quad

**Application  
Opens**

**(typically opens fall/winter)**

**Final  
Application  
Deadline**

**Typically late February–early  
March**

**Graduate  
Program  
Applications  
Due**

**Must have already applied to a  
U.S. STEM graduate program at  
time of fellowship application**

**Fellows  
Announced**

**Approximately 5 months after  
deadline**

# Next Steps - Quad

- **Confirm your eligibility** — Review citizenship, academic level, GPA, and field of study requirements today
- **Draft your materials early** — Personal statements and letters of recommendation take weeks to prepare well
- **Identify recommenders now** — (Faculty) who know your research and academic work are your strongest advocates
- **Apply to graduate programs in parallel** — This fellowship requires you to apply to or be enrolled in a qualifying graduate program

*Review the list of eligible STEM fields and confirm your graduate program qualifies at [quadfellowship.org](http://quadfellowship.org)*



**Take this  
survey to  
give  
feedback!**

# Questions?

**We're here to help you navigate the process.**

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