

Personal Statement

Important questions to ask yourself before starting the essay:

1. Why are you fascinated by your research area?
2. What examples of leadership skills and unique characteristics do you bring to your chosen field?
3. What personal and individual strengths do you have that make you a qualified applicant?
4. How will receiving the fellowship contribute to your career goals?
5. How does the information in your Personal Statement address the Intellectual Merit and Broader Impacts criteria?