

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GANDHINAGAR

STUDENT AFFAIRS

NORMS FOR IIT GANDHINAGAR JUNIOR FELLOWSHIP

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IIT Gandhinagar envisages to produce future leaders in various walks of life: engineering, science, management, education, social work, politics and the like. For this, our students must have the courage to take on paths different from the traditional paths taken by typical IIT graduates upon graduation. The proposed Fellowship is meant to facilitate our fresh graduates to spend one year in a somewhat unconventional manner to experience certain profession type in which they may later embark upon, or to learn new skills, or just to experiment in life. For instance:

- Our students interested in taking a career with civil service may work as assistant to senior bureaucrats (say in education, social welfare, industries, energy etc) and gain insights in what a civil servant can or cannot do and how the government functions, executes projects, and serves the people.
- Our students passionate about education as a career may spend a year after BTech with IIT Gandhinagar or with any other educational institute either to teach (or assist in teaching, for instance, in conducting labs, studios and tutorials), research, in institution building, or a combination of these. Thereafter, they may choose to go for higher studies and make a career in education.
- The students wanting to explore working in NGO sector may work as Fellow with an NGO for a year before taking a major decision and plunging into it with long-term commitment.

IITGN will do all it can to help provide such opportunities to its students, and will seek partners from various sectors to host (and hence, also to fund) our students. For this, the following common template of such Fellowships is purposed:

1. A stipend of Rs 25,000 to Rs 40,000 per month plus a bachelor accommodation (similar to a student hostel) is suggested for the Fellowship. However, in some cases, the partner organization may agree to a higher or a lower stipend.
2. The partner organizations making a commitment for three or more years may attach their name to the Fellowship.
3. The selected Fellow is expected to make a commitment for a fixed tenure of one year. Thereafter, the Fellow will move on and no extension will be granted.
4. IIT Gandhinagar will facilitate and assist the Partner organizations in selection of most suitable candidates for the Fellowships.