

APPLICATION FORM: 2009–10 Knight Science Journalism Fellowship

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Name:

First

Middle

Last

Email:

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Date of Birth:

(Month/Day/Year)

Citizenship: ☐ U.S.

☐ Other:

(Specify country)

Current Job Title:

Employer (Publication or Program):

What year did you become a journalist?:

Do you already cover science, technology, health or the environment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered "no", be sure to address your interest in pursuing science journalism in one of your supplementary essays.

Business Address		Home Address	
Street:		Street:	
City:	State/Province:	City:	State/Province:
Zip/Postal Code:	Country:	Zip/Postal Code:	Country:
Phone:		Phone:	

Previous Fellowships, Scholarships or Awards:

How did you learn about the Fellowship? *please check all that apply*

☐ Ad in CJR ☐ Received brochure ☐ Knight Fellowships Web site ☐ Word of mouth from _____

☐ Ad in AJR ☐ Poynter/Romanesko ☐ Other (please specify) _____

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Letters of Recommendation

(5 copies of each)

Please ask four people familiar with your work to comment on your abilities and your commitment to science journalism. List their names below and ask them to send their recommendations to reach us by March 2, 2009. Mailing addresses listed on Page 3.

Name	Organization	Phone
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2		
3		
4		

Employer's Letter

(5 copies of each)

Please have your supervisor write a letter supporting your application and granting a nine-month leave of absence if you are awarded a fellowship. (Freelancers are not required to submit an employer's letter.)

Name	Title	Email	Phone
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I certify that all information in this application is correct.

Signature	Date
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Required Material for 2009–10 Knight Science Journalism Fellowship

- 1 **Application form:** Available online at <http://web.mit.edu/knight-science/fellowships/application.html>
- 2 **Professional autobiography:** Tell us about your professional life. Not to exceed 750 words. (5 copies)
- 3 **Fellowship year proposal:** Tell us what you plan to do during a fellowship year and how that would fit in with your professional goals. Not to exceed 750 words. (5 copies)
- 4 **Professional approach:** Please explain your **approach to journalism. What is your method of finding stories? How you analyze and report findings? Or for editors, how do you scrutinize the stories you receive?** Not to exceed 500 words. (5 copies)
- 5 **Resumé or Curriculum Vitae:** Include education and work history (5 copies)
- 6 **Four Letters of Recommendation:** Please ask four people familiar with your work to comment on your abilities and your commitment to science journalism. Letters should be mailed to us (see addresses below). Letters of recommendation must reach us by March 2, 2009.
- 7 **Employer's Letter:** Please have your supervisor write a letter supporting your application and granting a nine-month leave of absence if you are awarded a Fellowship. Freelancers, skip this and see item 8. Letters should be mailed to us (see addresses below). Employer's letters must reach us by March 2, 2009.
- 8 **Only for Freelancers:** Provide a list of all your jobs in the last 12 months—what you did, for whom and, if your client is not widely known, provide some idea of who or what it is. A few words for each job is sufficient. (5 copies)
- 9 **Samples of professional work** (5 copies each of 6 samples):
Select 6 samples that best show your interests and abilities.
All samples should have been published or broadcast within the last 24 months.
Do not submit any item that is irreplaceable. **Materials will not be returned.**
If original work is not in English, English translations are required.
You **MUST** provide 5 copies of each of your 6 work samples

Written work: Printouts from archives, clippings or Web sites copied onto letter-sized paper.
Please try to avoid reducing type size.
Instead of whole books, submit one chapter.
With newspaper series, send only the first and last articles, with a brief outline of other items in the series.
Editors should indicate their involvement (assigning, copy-editing, picture selection, layout, etc.)

TV/Radio work: To be submitted on DVD, CD, or NTSC-formatted VHS video cassette (5 copies) with a total running time of up to 30 minutes and a typed manuscript or synopsis (5 copies) indicating where each item (program, story or segment) begins on the tape/disc.
Directors or producers should indicate their involvement (assigning, editing, directing, producing).

Web work: Submit work samples as printouts on paper, and, if possible, provide the URLs.

Photography & Illustrations: Submit photos or artworks either as published clippings, or, if you prefer, make new copies for us.

All application materials must be received by March 2, 2009

Please do not put materials in folders or notebooks.

5 copies of all materials should be sent to one of the following addresses:

For general mail sent via the US Postal Service:	For USPS Express Mail, DHL, FedEx, & UPS deliveries:
Knight Science Journalism Fellowships MIT E19-623 77 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139-4307	Knight Science Journalism Fellowships MIT E19-623 400 Main Street Cambridge, MA 02142

If you have any questions, please call 617-253-3442. MIT is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.