

ASA/NSF/CENSUS

Research Fellowship Program



American Statistical Association
National Science Foundation
U.S. Census Bureau

For Fellows in statistics, survey measurement, and data science

The ASA/NSF/Census Research Fellowship Program is designed to bridge the gap between government and academic science. It allows senior research fellows to come to the U.S. Census Bureau, where they may interact with agency staff and use agency data when developing or improving methodology.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants for fellowships should have academically recognized research records and considerable expertise in their areas of pro-posed research. They must submit detailed research proposals for competitive evaluation by a program review board representing the agency, the ASA, and academia.

This U.S. Census Bureau fellowship offers extraordinary opportunities for advanced research that relates to the planning, collection, processing, analysis, making inferences, and disseminating data and data products that draw on deep training, knowledge, and skills in statistical theory and methodology, survey measurement methodology, or data science methodology applicable to censuses, large scale sample surveys, or other data sources (e.g., administrative data and big data).

Condition of Appointment and Benefits

Research fellows will conduct their research at the Washington, DC area headquarters. A contract is put in place

with each selected researcher's institution by the U.S. Census Bureau. The stipends received by researchers in this program are commensurate with their qualifications and experience. Fringe benefits and travel allowances are negotiable. Usually, we can negotiate retention of fringe benefits with the permanent employer.

The duration of the fellowship appointment is flexible; the usual term is 6 to 12 months. Extensions to appointments, split into two terms, and part-time fellowships are also possible.

Application Procedure

Submit the following information in one PDF file to Joyce Narine at joyce@amstat.org by December 10.

1. A curriculum vitae
2. The names and addresses of three references
3. A detailed research proposal that includes:
 - background information about the research topic
 - significance of expected results in advancing methodology
 - advantages of conducting research at the U.S. Census Bureau
 - detailed budget estimate (salary, relocation and travel expenses, research support)

Also, send one copy to:

Joyce Narine

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U.S. government employees are not eligible to apply; U.S. citizenship is not required, but applicants must be affiliated with a U.S. institution.

For technical information regarding research projects, contact:

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The application deadline is December 10. Final decisions will be made by late March of the following year.