

2025-26 AEJMC-MCSD Diversity and Inclusion Career Development Fellowship for Graduate Students

Applications due by Friday, April 11, 2025

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025-26 AEJMC-MCSD Diversity and Inclusion Career Development Fellowship for doctoral and master's students from historically marginalized and underrepresented groups. Sponsored by the AEJMC Committee on Career Development and Mass Communication and Society Division, this fellowship is established to help with those graduate students' career preparation (which includes, among other topics, diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility). We welcome applications from students currently enrolled in journalism, media, mass communication, and media studies graduate programs, who will continue to be enrolled as graduate students in the 2025-2026 academic year.

Each fellow will receive a travel grant (up to \$1,200 for expenses on attending the 2025 AEJMC Convention), plus a complimentary conference registration. Mentorship from the AEJMC Committee on Career Development and Mass Communication and Society Division also will be provided to fellows during the 2025-2026 academic year.

Please apply via this Qualtrics link:

https://txstate.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_01YjRGrAmgsPm62 no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time), Friday, April 11, 2025.

The application should include:

- A 250-word essay to highlight the applicant's career goals
- Applicant's resume/CV
- One reference letter

Please ask your reference to use this link to submit a reference letter: https://txstate.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV bl6xYgLeC1oXZGK

Selections will be made by May 16, 2025. The following will be considered as positive factors in the selection of successful candidates:

 Evidence of outstanding academic accomplishment and potential for continued achievement as scholars, teachers, and/or media professionals • Explanation of how earning a fellowship would help you as a member of a historically marginalized and underrepresented group better address issues of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility within the professoriate and/or media industries

Fellowship recipients will be required to attend the career development pre-conference workshop to be held by the AEJMC Committee on Career Development and are encouraged to attend other career development-related sessions during the 2025 AEJMC Convention. Fellows also are expected to participate in the career development mentorship program jointly offered by the Committee on Career Development and the Mass Communication and Society Division during the year. (Details on the career development mentorship program will be provided to selected fellows.)

For questions related to this fellowship application, contact Dr. Steve Bien-Aimé (University of Kansas), chair of the AEJMC Committee on Career Development, at (bienaime@ku.edu).