

IBM Global University Programs Awards



PhD Fellowship Awards

Academic Awards

Purpose	The PhD Fellowship Award Program is an intensely competitive worldwide program, which recognizes and supports exceptional PhD students who want to make their mark in promising and disruptive technologies. All IBM PhD Fellowship awardees are mentored by an IBMer to collaborate on a research or technology project for the duration of the award period. Awardees are encouraged to do an internship.	These Awards promote research, innovation, and the building of partnerships and communities ranging from a many-to-many to one-to-one basis. Both Awards look to support and impact an area of significant interest to the university and IBM. Academic Awards are not a contract, and intellectual property rights remain with the University. Awards cannot be connected to present or in-process IBM commercial activity with the university.
Scope	Successful applicants receive a stipend for two academic years. The value of the PhD Fellowships will vary by region.	Academic Awards can include monetary support, IBM Cloud resources, equipment, services, or software. Optimally, these awards should reach their outcomes within one year.
Nomination	Eligible students must be enrolled full time in a PhD program and nominated by a doctoral faculty member.	An IBM nominator initiates the Academic Award process with a proposal. This nominator is the primary contact through vetting.
Proposals	The program engages exceptional students interested in IBM technologies. In 2020, the PhD Fellowship Program focuses on AI/Cognitive, Cloud/Open Source, Data Science, Internet of Things, Quantum Computing, and Security/Cyber Security.	Successful proposals address technological and scientific challenges, are not commercial, and incorporate IBM technologies. Outcomes from Awards are shared openly. Awards comply with tax regulations and any existing IBM Agreements.
Deadlines	The PhD Fellowship nomination cycle begins in September.	Academic Award programs run throughout the calendar year.
Websites	www.ibm.com/university/phdfellowship	www.ibm.com/university/awards