

# Eligibility & Guidelines - STEM

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## Eligibility

- You must be currently working on your PhD
- You must be a registered in an American university (US citizenship is not required)
- All STEM and Health research topics are eligible
- Research should be performed in a French laboratory (university, engineering school, public research laboratory...)
- Your US and French advisors must agree to co-supervise part of your thesis
- Knowledge of French is not mandatory and is left to the discretion of the host institution
- Co-sponsorship by a candidate's American university or French host institution is encouraged

## Calendar for the 2019-2020 academic year

- Application deadline: January 8, 2019 at 12:00 pm (noon) EST
- Award Notification: May 2019
- The fellowship in France for the 2019-2020 academic year must start between September 1, 2019 and April 30, 2020.
- The call for applications for the 2019-2020 academic year will open on October 29, 2019.

## Benefits

- Monthly allowance (up to 1400 euros/month, depending on other sources of funding)
- Round trip ticket to France
- Support for health insurance abroad

## Required information/documents for the online application

- Contact Information
- List of degrees received and copies of transcripts. Unofficial transcripts are accepted.
- List of publications
- List of past fellowships received
- List of other fellowships for which you are applying
- Summary of your thesis research in the US
- Summary of research to be performed in France
- Detailed description of your thesis research in the US including your project in France (3 pages).
- Letter of agreement from your US thesis advisor agreeing that part of your thesis will be co-supervised by a French colleague. This letter should also highlight your work, explain how a stay in France would be useful to both the lab and your project and how it will strengthen the existing or planned collaboration between your home and host laboratories.
- Letter of invitation from your project advisor in France agreeing to co-supervise part of your thesis. This letter should also describe the existing or planned collaboration between the home and host laboratories and include information about what your stay in France will bring to the host lab and your project.
- At least one letter of recommendation from a professor who knows your work but who is not your US or French advisor.
- Contact information of host laboratory in France.
- If your application is linked to an existing French-American collaboration, please be ready to provide information on this collaboration.

## **Selection criteria**

- Academic relevance of the research project
- Student's command of the subject
- Benefits of a research trip to France for the future of the collaboration
- Background of the research collaboration
- Contribution of the project to France/US academic exchange

## **Identifying a host laboratory**

It is the applicant's responsibility to identify and contact a French laboratory that would like to collaborate with your university, laboratory or thesis advisor.