



## 2017 Google US/Canada PhD Fellowship Program Google U.S./Canada

The University of Virginia has been invited by Google to participate in the Google US/Canada PhD Fellowship Program for 2017. Nurturing and maintaining strong relations with the academic community is enormously important to Google, and they will award approximately 15 named fellowships to students across the country from among the following areas:

- Google Fellowship in Computational Neuroscience
- Google Fellowship in Human Computer Interaction
- Google Fellowship in Machine Learning
- Google Fellowship in Machine Perception, Speech Technology and Computer Vision
- Google Fellowship in Market Algorithms
- Google Fellowship in Mobile Computing
- Google Fellowship in Natural Language Processing
- Google Fellowship in Privacy and Security
- Google Fellowship in Programming Technology and Software Engineering
- Google Fellowship in Structured Data and Database Management
- Google Fellowship in Systems and Networking
- Google Fellowship in Operating Systems

Note that these subject areas have changed from recent years to reflect areas of high priority for Google.

### **Fellowship Details**

Google will award two-year fellowships consisting of:

- 2 years of guaranteed funding with 3rd year possible at Google discretion
- Full tuition and fees for the 2 years of guaranteed funding
- \$34k yearly stipend (paid over 9 months of the academic year)
- Google Research Mentor

***Applications are not accepted directly from students. Each eligible university is invited to submit a maximum of two student nominations for fellowship consideration.***

To determine the University of Virginia's two nominees, the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will assemble an internal committee to review applicants from across the university and determine which two applications will move forward to the national competition.

## Eligibility Criteria

In order to be considered for the 2017 Google U.S./Canada PhD Fellowship Program, students must meet the following criteria:

- Full-time graduate students pursuing a PhD
- Enrolled in a participating university and nominated by that university
- Completed graduate coursework
- Google employees and their family members are not eligible

## Application Process and Requirements

### Application Materials to Include with Submission:

For each student nomination, the university will be asked to submit the following materials. We ask therefore, that students submit all of these materials for the internal application:

- Name of fellowship for which student is being considered (can be found above)
- Research/dissertation proposal (recommended length 4-5 pages, no longer than 8)
- Student CV
- Transcript of current and previous academic records (unofficial is acceptable)
- Short CV of PhD Advisor
- 1-3 letters of recommendation from those familiar with the nominee's work (at least one coming from the thesis advisor)

### Internal Review:

An internal review committee will evaluate the materials submitted for the University's internal nomination process and select the nominees based upon the relevant application review criteria.

### Deadlines:

**Materials for the internal nomination process are due by Nov. 3, 2016 at 11:59 p.m.**

Electronic submission to <http://www.virginia.edu/vpr/upload.html> is required. Applications received after the 11/03/16 deadline will not be considered. We anticipate announcing the selected nominee by Nov. 21, 2016.

### Final Submission:

The University of Virginia will then submit the application materials directly to Google U.S./Canada by **5:00 p.m. December 01, 2016.**

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Committees of distinguished engineers and researchers from within Google will be reviewing all applications. Students may be invited for an in-person interview following the initial review.

Fellowship recipients will be announced in **February of 2017.**

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