

SLOAN RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Sponsor Deadline: September 15, 2014

Award Amount: \$50,000 for a two year period

Target Faculty: Early Career

Eligible Disciplines: Chemistry, computational and evolutionary molecular biology, ocean sciences (including marine biology), computer science, economics, mathematics, neuroscience, and physics.

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation is accepting nominations for the *Sloan Research Fellowships*. The Sloan Research Fellowships seek to stimulate fundamental research by early-career scientists and scholars of outstanding promise. While Fellows are expected to be at an early stage of their research careers, there should be strong evidence of independent research accomplishments. Fellows are selected on the basis of their independent research accomplishments, creativity, and potential to become leaders in the scientific community through their contributions to their field.

Candidates must be nominated by a department head or other senior researcher and **no more than three candidates may be nominated from a department.**

Eligibility Criteria (partial list):

- Applicants must be tenure track faculty and hold a Ph.D. (or equivalent) in chemistry, physics, mathematics, computer science, ocean sciences (including marine biology), economics, neuroscience or computational and evolutionary molecular biology, or in a related interdisciplinary field.
- Candidates' most recent Ph.D. (or equivalent) must have been awarded on or after September 1, 2008, unless special circumstances such as military service, a change of field, or child rearing are involved or unless they have held a faculty appointment for less than two years.

Application:

- Candidates must be nominated by their department chairs or other senior researchers. Departments may nominate no more than three candidates. Direct applications are not accepted.
- All nomination materials, including nomination letters and letters of support, must be submitted electronically through the online portal at <http://www.sloan.org/sloan-research-fellowships/apply-online/>. Nomination materials include:

1. A letter from a department head or other senior researcher officially nominating the candidate and describing his or her qualifications, initiative, and research. Nominators must upload their letters of nomination through the online portal.
 2. The candidate's curriculum vitae (including a list of the candidate's scientific publications);
 3. Two representative articles by the candidate;
 4. A brief (one-page) statement by the candidate describing his or her significant scientific work and immediate research plans.
 5. Three letters from other researchers (preferably not all from the same institution) written in support of the candidate's nomination. Letter writers must upload their letters of support through the online portal.
- Prior to submission of the full application, proposals must be submitted for review by the Office of Sponsored Programs at least five business days in advance of the sponsor deadline (September 8, 2014 by 5pm)

Additional Information:

More information on the Sloan Research Fellowships can be found at <http://www.sloan.org/sloan-research-fellowships/>.

Recent award recipients from Harvard FAS include Emily Balskus (CCB, 2014), Benjamin de Bivort (OEB, 2014), Richard Hornbeck (Economics, 2014), Daniel Jafferis (Physics, 2014), Karin I. Öberg (Astronomy, 2014), Joshua Buckholtz (Psychology, 2013), David Johnston (Earth and Planetary Sciences, 2013), Sarah Koch (Mathematics, 2013), Xi Yin (Physics, 2013), Edoardo Airoldi, (Statistics, 2012), Alicia M. Soderberg, (Physics, 2012) and Tomasz Strzalecki, (Economics, 2012).

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Deadlines:

OSP Deadline: September 8, 2014 by 5pm
Sponsor Deadline: September 15, 2014 by 11:59pm