



The Noble Fellowship

CALL FOR STUDENT FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Noble Fellowship at Queens invites applications from the student body for a **one-year** Student Noble Fellowship for Fall 2026-Spring 2027.

DEADLINE: January 9, 2026

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The Noble Fellowship at Queens invites applications from the student body for a one-year Student Noble Fellowship.

The Student Noble Fellow

The Fellowship is currently open to all full-time Queens students (except current seniors). The Student Fellow receives a one-year award of \$5,000. All financial transactions will be managed by the Finance Office of Queens University of Charlotte. Recipients of the Student Fellowship must remain full-time Queens students during the one-year term of the award. The award includes the one-time financial grant for their proposed research project and an agreement to become a lifelong member of the Noble Fellowship.

About the Fellowship

The Noble Fellowship is an endowed fellowship at Queens University of Charlotte, created by Drs. Jerry Greenhoot and Kathryn Greenhoot, in honor of their teacher, Professor Noble Hines, whose life and values expressed the concept of “paying forward” long before it was defined elsewhere. His contributions were multiplied by the lives he influenced well beyond those people he knew or intended to assist. It is in this spirit that the Noble Fellowship was founded.

The goal of the Noble Fellowship is to encourage and mentor students and faculty as they prepare for a lifetime of creative and generous work. The Noble Fellowship consists of individuals whose demonstrated merit, in their lives and in their scholarship, anticipates their lifelong contributions to the arts, science, teaching or public service, to name a few examples. The award is completely merit based and given in the Fellowship's expectation of an applicant's future contributions. Fellows will be chosen from persons of the highest intellectual curiosity, character, depth and breadth of thought, and of life interests. In short, we are looking for a person with an active mind to join the Fellowship, in a lifelong support of these qualities.

The Noble Fellowship requires a lifelong commitment to The Fellowship and its values. All Fellows agree to assist, to mentor, and to guide younger Fellows, as needs arise and in such measures as are possible. The Fellowship requires continued participation, as possible, in the affairs of the Fellowship, and where possible, attendance at its Annual Meeting. At this event the work of new Fellows is presented for discussion, and the continued accomplishment of prior Fellows is updated for the entire Fellowship. Fellows are honor bound, if they possess the means, and as the Fellows themselves determine, to contribute to the Noble Fellowship Endowment in the financial support of future Fellows. Any such obligation is to be entirely voluntary and completely determined individually by each Fellow, alone. However, once a Fellowship is awarded and accepted, one can never, bound by honor, resign these responsibilities.

The awarded stipend itself is given in support of a specific project, the nature of which is to be broadly consistent with the Fellow's interests in the fields of endeavor as described above. The specific kind of project is entirely up to the prospective Fellow. It may be academic research, but it may be in another form. For example, a project could be the completion of an in-progress work of fiction; or a period of study with an expert in a field beyond Queens leading to a later work. It might be a painting, or a musical composition. It might be a business plan, an economic analysis, or a proposal for laboratory research. In all cases, the project must be capable of completion within the academic year and have the potential to lead to future contributions and to a life consistent with the goals of the Fellowship.

The Application

The Application for the Student Noble Fellowship must include the following compiled in one .pdf:

- (1) A brief letter of interest (one page maximum).
- (2) A maximum 500-word essay (approximately two pages):
Using the following values that inspire the Noble Fellowship, speak to how you incorporate these in your life:
 - Excellence: holding the highest standards for oneself and one's community,
 - Integrity and Honor: honesty and reliability in all interactions,
 - Accountability: taking responsibility for one's own actions and the improvement of one's community,
 - Community: providing support and encouragement to Noble Fellowship colleagues and Queens University, both while on campus and as possible throughout one's lifetime.
- (3) A careful description of the proposed Project to be supported by the financial grant. The Project may be in any scholarly field. The project must be completed by the senior year, Spring semester of graduation. Student Noble Fellows will present a written and oral report on their Project to the Noble Fellows in the Spring. The Project will be included in the Noble Fellowship Papers, housed in Everett Library at Queens. A new project is not required; a student could work on his or her capstone, honors project, or joint research with a faculty member, for instance.
- (4) Sample of current scholarship (e.g., a research paper, creative writing, an art portfolio, a case study, etc.)
- (5) A current academic transcript.
- (6) A current resume.
- (7) Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a Queens faculty member. The letters of recommendation should discuss both the applicant's overall character and ability and potential for research. These letters can be included electronically as part of your application packet. They do not have to be mailed or delivered in sealed envelopes unless that is the author's preference.

The application should include the components listed above, compiled into one .pdf file. Applications for the Student Noble Fellowship should be sent to: Ginger Marr at marrg@queens.edu.

Completed applications must be submitted NO LATER THAN 5 PM, January 19, 2026.

The Noble Fellowship Selection Committee will review applications, and a small number of applicants may be invited to a personal interview with the committee in February. The Noble Fellowship Selection Committee will make its recommendations regarding applicants for the Student Noble Fellowship to the Executive Committee of the Noble Fellowship. That group will then recommend candidates for the Fellowship's consideration. The Fellowship will make the final decision regarding the award and reserves the right to refrain from making any award.

For questions or more information, please contact Ginger Marr at marrg@queens.edu or 704/337-2444.