

## NEXT GENERATION LEADER APPLICATION



## Apply to be a Next Generation Leader

***Applications for the 2021 cohort are now open. Applications are due by June 24, 2021.***

Our Next Generation Leaders Council includes early career investigators and postdocs who act as advisors and ambassadors for our mission of using big science, team science, and open science to accelerate understanding of the brain.

To make the greatest impact on neuroscience and understanding human health, the Allen Institute recognizes the need to increase the diversity of voices within our teams and our external advisory councils. We acknowledge that minority voices are underrepresented in science, and are actively working to recruit underrepresented minority applicants by expanding awareness of the program to new audiences and encouraging diverse applications. We aim to provide opportunities within the Allen Institute for underrepresented minorities at all levels of our organization. We ask for your help by sharing this application broadly in your communities and encouraging People of Color to consider applying for this unique opportunity.

### Roles and program benefits during the Next Generation Leader term

- Attend the annual Showcase Symposium and related events, to be held December 2021 in Seattle, Washington (or virtually). View 2020 Symposium (<http://alleninstitute.org/what-we-do/brain-science/events-training/showcase-symposium-2020/>)
- In the first year of serving on the Council, give a presentation on current research at the Showcase Symposium.
- Provide feedback in an interactive format with other Council members on research programs and other initiatives at the Allen Institute.
- Attend one additional Allen Institute scientific advisory council meeting per year, and gain experience serving on and participating in an advisory council with senior scientists from across the world.
- Attend network sessions with Allen Institute scientists, current, and former Next Generation Leaders through additional events and serve as ambassadors for the Institute and [brain-map.org](https://brain-map.org) resources in the neuroscience community.

### Program Details

- All Next Generation Leaders will serve a three-year term.
- All travel and accommodation expenses and an annual honorarium will be paid.
- Up to six Next Generation Leaders will be appointed each year, for a total of 18 members at a time.  
View Current NGLs (<https://alleninstitute.org/what-we-do/brain-science/about/advisors/next-generation-leaders/>)

### Qualifications and Application Instructions

- Applicant requirements:
  - Hold an M.D. and/or Ph.D. in a relevant field
  - Currently serve in a postdoctoral position or began as an Assistant Professor in or after June 2019 (or the equivalent level in industry)
  - Have a passion for understanding the complex problems facing brain research today
- Interested participants must complete these steps to apply:
  - Complete application form with biographical information and answers to four questions (each 200 words max):
    - How do you engage in open science in your work?
    - In what ways have you engaged, or do you plan to engage, in a team or collaborative approach to your research?
    - What are constructive ways that “big science” and traditional academic research groups can best interact?

- Please detail your personal experiences, professional skills, and/or willingness to engage in activities that will advance diversity, equity, and inclusion in neuroscience.
- Upload application materials in PDF format:
  - Letter from the applicant including a description for a general audience of research and/or professional accomplishments, and the impact the applicant hopes to have in the neuroscience field over the next 10 years (1 page max.)
  - Curriculum vitae
  - Two letters of recommendation addressing the applicant's innovative work, potential, and ability to bridge disciplines, submitted directly from the recommenders
    - *Allen Institute staff will not contact references to solicit letters of support.*

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If you have any questions about the application process please contact us at [nextgen@alleninstitute.org](mailto:nextgen@alleninstitute.org)  
(<mailto:nextgen@alleninstitute.org?subject=Next%20Generation%20Leader%20Application%20Question>).

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