FAQs for Applicants

Q: When is my application due?
A: New and continuing applications are BOTH due on January 15th each year.

Q: Are all transcripts required?
A: Yes, transcripts for each institution, including community college or summer classes, that you have attended must be submitted with your application.

Q: Who reviews the applications?
A: The Porter Physiology Development Committee reviews and rates all applications.

Q: How many applications are received and how many applications are awarded funding?
A: On average, APS receives about 14 applications and funds 4-6 Fellows per year.

Q: What is the Porter stipend?
A: $28,300/year. Stipends are paid from August – September of the Fellowship year.

Q: What is required of the Fellows?
A: Active participation in the American Physiological Society is a required part of the Fellowships. This includes:
   a. Maintaining an active student or regular membership in the Society;
   b. Submitting abstracts to APS meetings (Experimental Biology (EB) or APS conferences) as appropriate;
   c. Applying for the APS/NIDDK Minority Travel Fellowship Awards, if needed, to attend those meetings;
   d. Signing up for and reading the APS Minority Physiologists Listserv messages;
   e. Completing program entry, exit, and follow-up surveys, including periodic (5-year) follow-up surveys after the completion of the fellowship;
   f. Completing an APS Professional Skills Training (live workshop or online course) or other equivalent professional development training;
   g. Participating in at least one APS outreach opportunity during the fellowship period (2 year) such as mentoring a junior travel fellow at EB, serving as a lunch host at the high school student workshop at EB, or participating in Physiology Understanding (PhUn) Week through their home institution;
   h. Submitting a biographical Q&A and photo for the Porter Program web site; and
   i. If appropriate, submitting an article to an APS Journal (encouraged but not required)