

Application Guidelines

Eligibility Details

Basic Eligibility:

- Age: Upto 35 years as on 31 December 2016
- Indian citizens who have completed their Ph.D. degree from a Public-funded R&D Laboratory/ Recognized Academic Institution / University /College in India. Those unemployed as on date should have completed their Ph.D. degree after 31 December 2014.

Disqualifiers:

- Unemployed candidates who have obtained their Ph.D. degree before 1 January 2015 are ineligible.
- Candidates who have completed their Ph.D. degree abroad.
- Candidates who have availed a Postdoctoral Fellowship abroad are ineligible.
- Candidates who have availed any overseas fellowship to the United States, sponsored by any Indian Federal Agency, for a period of more than 3 months after 1 January 2015 are ineligible.

Online Form Submission

Step 1 Sign in through the Online Application Portal for Visitation Programs. (Use the link given on the top right hand corner of the webpage).

Step 2 Verify your account using the link sent to your registered email id. Please check your spam/junk folders in case the mails are not received in your inbox from support@indousstf.org

Step 3 Login to the Online Portal with the registered Email Id. Please remember your user id and password for future references.

Step 4 Click "Apply for – Start Application"

Step 5 Fill in the required details in the form.

Step 6 You may preserve the entered information using the **Save** button given at the bottom of the form.

Step 7 You may retrieve the saved information using your login credentials and **Submit** the form upon completion.

Step 8 You may download the PDF of your completed application after submission. All online applications will receive an automatic email verifying receipt of your application. The PDF format of the application can also be downloaded using the link sent to your registered email id after submission. Please note your Application ID for future references.

Forgot Password:

In case you forget your account password please click on 'Forgot Password?' option on the login page. An email with the link to reset your password will be sent to your registered email ID. Please reset your password and login to your account.

Filling your applications

1. The form must be completed by all applicants in English; please ensure that your respective form is complete and filled to the best of your knowledge before clicking 'Submit'. Applicants would not be able to change or edit their forms after submission.
2. A separate application form must be completed for each program for which you apply. You may choose to apply for more than one visitation program, provided that you fulfil the eligibility criteria.
3. Please note that fields marked with * are mandatory, please enter the necessary information in these fields.
4. Do not use capital letters unnecessarily to enter information in the form. Use only where required.
5. In the event of the applicant providing false or misleading information he/she will be asked to forfeit the fellowship.
6. Please enter your personal details correctly which will be used for all documentation purposes under the respective program.
7. The address that you provide will be used for all correspondence. Any change of address after submission of the application needs to be communicated to the respective program officer without fail.
8. If the applicant wishes to provide any relevant image/ diagram/ chart/ graph/ figure in the points 6,7,10 and 11 of section-2 of the online application form, then please provide the reference figure numbers both in the text boxes of points 6,7,10 and 11 and in the document to be attached. The document containing all the figures can be uploaded in the 15th point (Any other document I (Optional)) of section-2.
9. All documents should be scanned and uploaded in the prescribed format.
10. Supporting documents should be provided strictly according to the check - list mentioned in the application form.
11. The recommendation letters need to be on the official letter head of the referee with their ink signature and stamp (if any). If they are comfortable sharing the letters with the candidate; it can be uploaded with the application form. If not, the referees may directly e-mail it to fellowship@indousstf.org with the **candidate's name _department _institute/university** clearly mentioned in the subject line, well before the submission deadline.
12. Please note that the two recommendation letters should be from the applicant previous/ current employer/ supervisor/ referees (with whom the applicant has worked earlier and they know about his/her research abilities and capabilities).
13. Any supporting document emailed to fellowship@indousstf.org after the submission deadline will not be considered.

Other Information

For any information please refer to the web announcement, link:

<http://iusstf.org/story/53-95-SERB-Indo-US-Postdoctoral-Research-Fellowship-Program.html>

Please contact fellowship@indousstf.org with reference to any clarifications or information required regarding the online application form .