

Legatum Fellowship Application 2023-2024

Application Requirements

To submit an eligible application, you need to:

-Complete the 2023-2024 application form

-Upload your Resume/CV (1 page max)

You can save and edit your application up until the deadline; once you submit it is finalized.

If you require technical support, (for example you are having problems logging in), please visit:

<https://fellowship-mit.smapply.io/helpdesk/>

If you have non-technical questions, (for example, you are unsure how to answer certain questions), please contact legatum-fellowship@mit.edu or +1 617-324-7775.

*All character limits stated in the application form include spaces

Personal Information



First Name	<input type="text"/>
Middle Name/ Middle Initial	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Preferred Name	<input type="text"/>
Country of Citizenship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Afghanistan• Åland Islands• Albania• Algeria• American Samoa• Andorra• Angola• Anguilla• Antigua and Barbuda• Argentina... 221 additional choices hidden ...• Uruguay• Uzbekistan• Vanuatu• Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)• Viet Nam• Wallis and Futuna Islands• Western Sahara• Yemen• Zambia• Zimbabwe
Geographic Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Africa• Asia• Europe• Oceania• The Americas

Country of Permanent Residence (If different from country of citizenship)


- Afghanistan
- Åland Islands
- Albania
- Algeria
- American Samoa
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- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

Geographic Region


- Africa
- Asia
- Europe
- Oceania
- The Americas

Age (optional)

Gender (optional)

 Do you hold dual citizenship?


- Yes
- No


 Please identify your country of dual citizenship

- Afghanistan
- Åland Islands
- Albania
- Algeria
- American Samoa
- Andorra
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- Zimbabwe

 Have you applied for any of the Legatum Center's programs in the past?

- Yes
- No

 Identify the program and year to which you previously applied:

 Contact Information

Street Address _____

City _____

State/Province/Region _____

Country

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- Zimbabwe

Postal Code _____

Phone Number (include country code) _____


Email Address _____


Skype ID _____

Google Hangout ID _____

LinkedIn Page _____


Twitter _____

 MIT Enrollment Status


 Please select your current MIT status


- Enrolled MIT graduate student
- Enrolled MIT graduate student beginning a different MIT graduate degree next academic year

- Enrolled MIT undergraduate student
- Enrolled MIT undergraduate student accepted into an MIT graduate program
- Enrolled MIT 5-year combined undergraduate and graduate degree student
- Non-MIT student accepted to an MIT graduate program
- Non-MIT student (application pending)


 What is your MIT ID?


 Please provide the email address and contact information you provided for that application

 MIT School Information


 In which MIT school are you currently enrolled?


- School of Architecture and Planning
- School of Engineering
- School of Humanities/ Arts and Social Sciences
- Sloan School of Management
- School of Science
- Other

 Please explain.


 What degree program are you currently pursuing?


- Bachelor of Science, S.B.
- Doctor of Philosophy, Ph.D.
- Doctor of Science, Sc.D.
- Engineer's Degree, Eng.
- Master in City Planning, M.C.P.
- Master of Architecture, M. Arch.
- Master of Business Administration, M.B.A.
- Master of Engineering, M. Eng.
- Master of Finance, M.Fin.
- Master of Science, S.M.
- Other

 Please explain.


 In which MIT school will you be enrolled next academic year?


- School of Architecture and Planning
- School of Engineering
- School of Humanities/ Arts and Social Sciences
- Sloan School of Management
- School of Science
- Other

 Please explain.


 What degree program will you be pursuing at MIT next academic year?

- Bachelor of Science, S.B.
- Doctor of Philosophy, Ph.D.
- Doctor of Science, Sc.D.
- Engineer's Degree, Eng.
- Master in City Planning, M.C.P.
- Master of Architecture, M. Arch.
- Master of Business Administration, M.B.A.
- Master of Engineering, M. Eng.
- Master of Finance, M.Fin.
- Master of Science, S.M.
- Other


 Please explain.


 If Sloan MBA, are you in the Entrepreneur and Innovation track?


- Yes
- No
- Undecided

 What will be your field of study at MIT next academic year?

- Aeronautics and Astronautics
- Aerospace Engineering
- Aerospace Engineering with Information Technology
- African and African Diaspora Studies
- American Studies
- Ancient and Medieval Studies
- Anthropology
- Applied Ocean Science and Engineering
- Archaeology and Materials
- Architecture
- ... 92 additional choices hidden ...
- Science, Technology, and Society
- Shipbuilding and Shipbuilding Management
- Technology and Policy Program
- Theater Arts
- Toxicology
- Transportation
- Urban Studies and Planning
- Women's and Gender Studies
- Writing and Humanistic Studies
- Other

 Please explain.

 Anticipated graduation date from the program in which you will be enrolled next academic year

 Are you a dual degree applicant?


- Yes
- No

 For Dual-Degree Applicants

 In which MIT school are you enrolled/accepted for your second degree?


- MIT Sloan-Harvard Kennedy School


- MIT-Wellesley College
- MIT-WHOI Joint Program in Oceanography and Applied Ocean Science and Engineering
- School of Architecture and Planning
- School of Engineering
- School of Humanities/ Arts and Social Sciences
- School of Science
- Sloan School of Management
- Other

 Please explain.


 What is the degree program for your second degree?

- Bachelor of Science, S.B.
- Doctor of Philosophy, Ph.D.
- Doctor of Science, Sc.D.
- Engineer's Degree, Eng.
- Master in City Planning, M.C.P.
- Master of Architecture, M. Arch.
- Master of Business Administration, M.B.A.
- Master of Engineering, M. Eng.
- Master of Finance, M.Fin.
- Master of Science, S.M.
- Other


 Please explain.

 What is the field of study for your second degree?


- Aeronautics and Astronautics
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- Urban Studies and Planning
- Women's and Gender Studies
- Writing and Humanistic Studies
- Other


 Please explain.

 Anticipated graduation date of second degree

 What does it mean, to you, to be a principled entrepreneurial leader? Please provide specific examples of how you have demonstrated or pursued this vision on entrepreneurial ventures or teams that you have led.

(Limit 1000 Characters)


 Tell us about you!

 How certain are you that you want to be an entrepreneur in emerging markets post-graduation and why? (It is okay to be on the fence.)


(Limit 500 Characters)

 What are your greatest fears or concerns about pursuing this entrepreneurial path?


(Limit 500 Characters)

 How passionate are you about the problem you are trying to solve with your venture? How have your experiences (educational, leadership, professional, etc.) prepared you to pursue the venture?


(Limit 1000 Characters)

 Have you lived in or visited the country in which you intend to launch or scale your venture? If so, for how long and in what capacity (*e.g., resident of the country, studied there, worked there, etc.*)? How has this experience been relevant to your venture?

(Limit 1000 Characters)

 How do you plan to use this fellowship to grow as an entrepreneurial leader and prepare you to work full-time as an emerging market entrepreneur after graduation?

(Limit 1000 Characters)

 Have you taken any MIT courses (including online education courses – MITx) that have been relevant to the development of your venture?

Yes


No

Please select all that apply

15.910 Innovation Strategy

- 15.911 B Entrepreneurial Strategy
- 15.232 H1 Effective Business Models in Frontier Markets
- 2.739 / 15.783/ ESD.32 Product Design and Development
- 15.385 Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- 2.888 Professional Seminar in Global Manufacturing Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- 15.364 Regional Entrepreneurship Acceleration Lab (REAL)
- 15.779 (formerly 15.S14) Technology, Design, and Entrepreneurship: Operating in Emerging Communities
- 15375/EC.731/MA5.665 Development Ventures
- 15.128/20.454 Revolutionary Ventures: How to Invent and Deploy Transformative Technologies
- 15.359 Innovation Engineering: Moving Ideas to Impact
- 15.360 Introduction to Technological Entrepreneurship
- 15.378 Building an Entrepreneurial Venture: Advanced Tools and Techniques
- 15.390 New Enterprises
- 15.395 Entrepreneurship without Borders
- 15.399 Entrepreneurship Lab
- 15.785 Digital Product Management
- 15.S68 SSIM: Opportunities in Developing Economies
- 10.807/15.371 Innovation Teams
- 6.933 Entrepreneurship in Engineering: The Founder's Journey

 Please list any additional courses (including MITx) that are relevant

 Tell us about your idea!



Name of Business/Idea _____

Country of Implementation

- Afghanistan
- Åland Islands
- Albania
- Algeria
- American Samoa
- Andorra
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- Geographic Region
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- Business Model
 - For-Profit
 - Non-Profit
 - Hybrid: For-Profit & Non-Profit
 - Undecided


- Industry/Sector
 - Agriculture
 - Apparel & Accessories
 - Automotive
 - Chemicals
 - Consumer Goods
 - Education
 - Energy/Utilities
 - Food & Beverage
 - Financial Services
 - Healthcare/Pharma
 - IT/Telecom
 - Law/Legal Services
 - Manufacturing
 - Media
 - Professional Services
 - Real Estate
 - Retail & Wholesale
 - Transportation
 - Tourism & Entertainment


Your Business's Website _____

Your Business's Twitter Handle _____


Your Business's Facebook Page _____

 Please provide a brief description of your venture.
 (Limit 1000 Characters)

 The following 6 questions are to help us assess your stage of development. We do not expect that you will rate your venture a 4 or 5 in all categories. We are most interested in understanding the current stage of your venture, and what your plans are to leverage the fellowship and your time at MIT in order to prepare you to scale the venture post-graduation.


 On a scale of one to five describe the stage of your venture in terms of the following:
 General stage of development

- 1 (e.g., Idea/Exploration)
- 2
- 3 (e.g., Proof of Concept)
- 4
- 5 (e.g., In Operation with Paying Customers)


 On a scale of one to five describe the stage of your venture in terms of the following:
 Primary Market Research (PMR)/Customer Development

- 1 (e.g., No PMR)
- 2


- 3 (e.g., Preliminary PMR)
- 4
- 5 (e.g., Paying Customer)

 On a scale of one to five describe the stage of your venture in terms of the following:
Product/Service Development


- 1 (e.g., Still in the Lab/Testing)
- 2
- 3 (e.g., Prototype/Pilot)
- 4
- 5 (e.g., Manufacturing/Service at Scale)

 On a scale of one to five describe the stage of your venture in terms of the following:
Team


- 1 (e.g., Just Me)
- 2
- 3 (e.g., 2-5 Founding Team Members)
- 4
- 5 (e.g., +5 Team Members)

 On a scale of one to five describe the stage of your venture in terms of the following:
Board

- 1 (e.g., No Board)
- 2
- 3 (e.g., Building a Board)
- 4
- 5 (e.g., Board)

 On a scale of one to five describe the stage of your venture in terms of the following:
Funding Raised

- 1 (e.g., No Funding)
- 2
- 3 (e.g., Grants/Family & Friends)
- 4
- 5 (e.g., Angel/Venture)


 What is the problem you are trying to solve and for whose benefit?

(Limit 1000 characters for each section)

Define the problem and current/ potential impact of your idea in the world. Please include relevant data and research (primary or secondary) you have identified to support this problem statement.


Who are your customers and what is the market potential? Please include relevant data and research (primary or secondary) you have identified to support the addressable market size.

What assumptions have you tested to date that support this problem statement and the opportunity for impact? What assumptions do you plan to test during the fellowship to better understand this problem? _____

 What is your proposed product or service (in other words, your solution)? (Limit 1000 characters for each section)


Describe the proposed product or service. _____


What progress have you made on the product or service to date? What do you plan to do during the fellowship to advance your product or service? _____


 What is your competitive advantage? (Limit 1000 characters for each section)


Who are your primary competitors? _____

Why do you believe your product or service will be a better solution than your competitors', and how do you plan to test your assumptions? _____

 What is your proposed business model? How do you expect to make money? (Limit 1000 Characters)

 Where do you want your venture to be by June 2024? What is your vision for how you will launch, grow, and scale your venture between now and then? (Limit 1000 Characters)


 What are the top challenges or risks you see as you grow/ scale your venture? Include your plan for how to address these risks. (Limit 1000 Characters)

 Tell us about your current team, including a brief description of: (Limit 1000 characters for each section)

Your role on the team _____

Team members,
including number of core
members, their roles, and
relevant experience _____

The key skills you need to
add to your team _____

 Tell us about your funding status, including:

(Limit 1000 characters for each section)

The funding have you
raised to date _____


The funding you
anticipate you will need in
the next 12 months to
reach the level of growth
you described above _____

The funding
sources/platforms you
have utilized to date (e.g.,
personal savings/debt,
grants, competitions,
friends and family,
angel/venture, other) _____


 How do you envision this venture driving systems level impact in the future?

(Limit 1000 Characters)

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

 What is the total estimated cost (in USD) of your MIT program for the 2023-2024 academic year?

Tuition, books and supplies, housing, etc.

 Do you have additional fellowships, scholarships, sponsorships, or other financial support (including personal and family funds) that you anticipate using to support your studies at MIT? The Legatum Center encourages you to apply for additional financial support so that the Center can make its resources available to other worthy candidates as well.

Yes

No


 Source 1: Please include the name of the source and the amount.

Source Name _____

Amount (in USD) _____

Confirmed? Yes
 No

Do you have additional resources? Yes
 No


 Source 2: Please include the name of the source and the amount.

Source Name _____

Amount (in USD) _____

Confirmed? Yes
 No

Do you have additional resources? Yes
 No


 Source 3: Please include the name of the source and the amount.

Source Name _____

Amount (in USD) _____

Confirmed? Yes
 No

Do you have additional resources? Yes
 No


 Source 4: Please include the name of the source and the amount.

Source Name _____


Amount (in USD) _____

Confirmed? Yes
 No


Do you have additional resources? Yes
 No


 Do you have more than four sources?

Yes
 No

 How much financial support (in USD) are you seeking from the Legatum Fellowship?

_____ (\$)

 Are you (planning) on taking out loans next academic year? If yes, how much?


 Please provide at least 3 professional references.

Please note, we would only contact these references if you made it to the interview stage and with your permission.


 Reference 1

First Name _____


Last Name _____
Title/Company _____
Email address _____
Phone number _____
Relationship to applicant _____

 Reference 2

First Name _____
Last Name _____
Title/Company _____
Email address _____
Phone number _____
Relationship to applicant _____


 Reference 3


First Name _____
Last Name _____
Title/Company _____
Email address _____
Phone number _____
Relationship to applicant _____

 Reference 4


(optional)


First Name _____
Last Name _____
Title/Company _____
Email address _____
Phone number _____
Relationship to applicant _____

 Additional Questions

 Do you know a Legatum Fellow?

- Yes
- No

 What is his or her name?

 How did you hear about the Legatum Fellowship? (Check all that apply)

Legatum Center's

- Legatum Event (Please state the topic or speaker) _____
- Conference at MIT (Please indicate year) _____
- Email (Please specify sender) _____
- Website
- Legatum Center Entrepreneur-in-Residence
- Other, please specify... _____

Websites

- MIT Sloan School of Management
- Martin Trust Center for MIT Entrepreneurship
- MIT Office of Graduate Admissions - General Site
- Other (Please specify) _____

Social Media / Advertisement (Please specify page source or location)

- Facebook _____
- Twitter _____
- LinkedIn _____
- Article, Flyer, Radio _____
- Other _____

Direct Contact (Please specify who)

- Legatum Fellow/Alumni _____
- MIT Faculty/Staff _____
- MIT Student or Alumni _____
- MIT Organization or Club _____
- Non-MIT Contact _____

Other Contact (Please specify event location and date)

- Information Session at _____
- Career/Recruiting Fair at _____
- Conference at _____
- Other _____

Would you like to opt-in to the Legatum Center mailing list?

- Yes
- No