Eligibility

> *Please select **Save** to submit your program eligibility responses.*

Applicant Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Email Address:

Eligibility

Please answer the following questions to confirm your eligibility for this opportunity before beginning the application:

Current Affiliation with a U.S. Institution
Do you currently hold a primary professional affiliation with a U.S. institution?:

Answering No to this question will make you ineligible for the program.:

Terminal Degree Completion

Do you hold a terminal degree (e.g., PhD, MD, etc.) in any discipline within the sciences, engineering, or medicine (including social science) or do you work in a field where a terminal degree is not a standard practice and hold a master's degree with 8-10 years of post-graduate professional experience?:

Answering No to this question will make you ineligible for the program.:

Permanent Residency in the U.S.
Are you based in the United States and able to remain in the U.S. during the two-year term of service without requiring visa sponsorship from the National Academies?:

Answering No to this question will make you ineligible for the program.:

Career Stage
Are you in the mid-career phase, defined as having obtained your terminal degree or completed your medical training within the last 15 years?
Note: Applicants who exceed this limit due to caregiving leave or military service should select "Yes" and provide an explanation in the "Eligibility Notes" section below.:

Answering No to this question will make you ineligible for the program.:

Eligibility explanation

Please share any additional information regarding your eligibility for the program.
We will refer to this information if there is any uncertainty about whether you are eligible, so please be as detailed as possible if you have unique circumstances (e.g., over 15 years from PhD due to caregiving/military leave, Engineering master's degree holder with over 10 years experience, etc.):

Contact

Contact Information

Current City:

Please select your state:

State:

Region:

Current Country:

Primary Phone Number (format: +xx-xxx-xxx-xxxx):

Is your permanent city, state, and country of residence different from above?:

What is your permanent city, state, and country of residence, if different from above?:

Education

Education Information

Please share details of the highest degree you have received.

Degree type
Note: A terminal degree is required eligibility for this program.:

Please describe:

Awarding institution:

Area of Study:

Graduation year:

Did you complete additional training (i.e., medical) after your degree, as required by your field?:

If yes, what year did you complete your training?:

Employment

Current Employment Information
Please share details about your current **employment**.

How many years of work experience do you have?:

What is your current employment status?:

Please describe:

What is your current title?:

What is your current primary organization or affiliation?:

Current Organization City:

Current Organization State:

Current Organization Country:

List any other organizations or affiliations relevant to this application.:

How would you classify the primary type of work that you do? (select one):

Please describe:

Do you have a secondary sector or background?:

How would you classify the secondary type of work that you do or have done?:

Please describe:

Primary Sector/Academia Additional Questions (if selected)

How would you classify the type of work that you do?
(select all that apply):

Please describe:

Please check all that apply to describe your institution:

Please describe:

Primary Sector/Industry, Government, or Non-profit (if selected)

What is your role? (select all that apply):

Please describe:

Primary Sector/Self-employed question (if selected)

Describe the scope of your work including the sector and/or industry you work in:

Secondary Sector/Academia Additional Questions (if selected)

How would you classify the type of work that you do? (select all that apply):

Please describe:

Please check all that apply to describe your institution:

Please describe:

Secondary Sector/Industry, Government, or Non-profit (if selected)

What is your role? (select all that apply):

Please describe:

Secondary Sector/Self-employed question (if selected)

Describe the scope of your work including the sector and/or industry you work in:

Background

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All responses provided are stored in our secured membership database and will only be accessible to authorized National Academies staff. This information will not affect your selection status. If you have questions or concerns about how your responses will be used, please contact program staff at newvoices@nas.edu.

What is your age range?:

Do you have an apparent or non-apparent disability and/or chronic condition?:

Are you a Veteran of the U.S. Military?:

Please use this space to share anything about your background, values, or perspectives that would contribute to our mission of bringing new perspectives to National Academies conversations.:

Global Engagement

We are interested in engaging U.S.-based international professionals through the New Voices program to include global perspectives where possible. Please answer the questions below to highlight the international perspectives you bring.

International Experience

As part of your personal or professional background, do you have an existing or established connection or collaboration with another region of the world?:

What region(s)?
Check all that apply:

If other, please describe:

Please share more about your connection to the regions listed above.:

Biographical

Biographical Information

Short bio (250 words max):

LinkedIn or personal website URL:

Do you have previous experience in one of these areas?:

Please share more about your related previous experiences:

What is your primary discipline of science, engineering, or medicine? (Check one):

Please enter other discipline.:

Do you have a secondary discipline that you work in?:

What is your secondary discipline of science, engineering, or medicine?:

Please enter other discipline.:

Primary Discipline/Social Sciences Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of social science that describe your work:

Please describe:

Primary Discipline/Natural Sciences Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of natural science that describe your work:

Please describe:

Primary Discipline/Computer and Information Sciences Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of computer and informational science that describe your work:

Please describe:

Primary Discipline/Engineering Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of engineering that describe your work:

Please describe:

Primary Discipline/Public Health/Medicine Additional Questions

What is your primary branch of medicine or public health?:

Secondary Discipline/Social Sciences Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of social science that describe your work:

Please describe:

Secondary Discipline/Natural Sciences Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of natural science that describe your work:

Please describe:

Secondary Discipline/Computer and Information Sciences Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of computer and informational science that describe your work:

Please describe:

Secondary Discipline/Engineering Additional Questions

Please select the sub-categories of engineering that describe your work:

Please describe:

Secondary Discipline/Public Health/Medicine Additional Questions

What is your primary branch of medicine or public health?:

Engagement with National Academies and Related Organizations

Have you previously been selected to participate in a National Academies activity? (Note: not including attending public events as a public attendee):

Please share the name of the activity and how you participated:

What type(s) of previous engagement have you had with related programs? (Check all that apply):

Please share details of the previous participation indicated above.:

Essay

Essay Responses

Please answer the questions below to help the selection panel understand your goals in applying for the program and how you fulfill the selection criteria outlined on the For Applicants page of our website. Answers should be no longer than 300 words. Use https://wordcounter.net/ to confirm.

Question 1: Reason for Applying and Contribution to Goals
Why do you want to become a New Voices member and how would you like to contribute to the success of the group in achieving the stated program goals? (300 words max)

As a reminder, the program goals are to:

- *Enhance the National Academies' advice-making work and convening activities by engaging members to make committee nominations and serve in program activities where invited;*
- *Develop the capacity of mid-career leaders to serve their community and impact science policy discussions;*
- *Bring new ideas to National Academies' discussions through working group activities and biannual meetings;*
- *Connect a broad network of emerging U.S. leaders in the sciences, engineering, and medicine to combat public distrust by bringing science communication activities to new communities; and*
- *Promote international collaboration by maintaining a presence of U.S. young leaders at major international conferences.:*

Question 2: Leadership Experience and Lessons Learned
Describe a time when you gained leadership experience through activities such as lead ng teams or projects, mentoring and capacity building, or holding organizational leadership roles. What did you learn from that experience? (300 words max):

Question 3: Service Beyond Immediate Discipline
Throughout your career, how have you demonstrated commitment to service beyond your immediate discipline and institution, including activities such as community engagement, early career mentorship, fostering team science and interdisciplinary collaboration, communicating science to the public, leveraging research to address societal needs, etc? (300 words max):

Supporting Documents

Please upload the supporting documents required to complete your application.

Short CV
Please upload a CV (maximum 2 pages, PDF):

Notable accomplishments
Please upload a description (written toward a general audience) of notable professional accomplishments, including links to two recent products relevant to your field (e.g., publications, recognitions, patents, exhibitions, etc.). We encourage the inclusion of a variety of types of product examples where applicable. (maximum 1 narrative page, PDF):

References

Please upload two letters of recommendation, which demonstrate how you fulfill the stated selection criteria. (maximum 2 pages per letter, PDF)

Once you complete the reference section of the application and provide your referees' contact information, an automated email request will be sent to each referee. Be sure to provide your referees with as much time as possible to ensure that their reference is submitted before the application deadline.

Alert your referees that they will receive an automated "Request for Reference" email from "New Voices in Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine". This email will contain a unique link to a recommendation form to be completed on your behalf. An email confirmation will be sent to you when a reference has been received.

To ensure delivery of the reference request, you may wish to ask your referees to add NewVoices@nas.edu to their contacts, email address book, or safe senders list.

Letter of Recommendation #1

First Name:

Last Name:

Title:

Organization:

Relationship to Applicant:

Email Address:

*Please upload **Letter of Recommendation #1** in PDF format Include Recommender's contact information:*

Letter of Recommendation #2

First Name:

Last Name:

Title:

Organization:

Relationship to Applicant:

Email Address:

*Please upload **Letter of Recommendation #2** in PDF format Include Recommender's contact information:*

Wrap-up

Wrap-up and Confirmations of Understanding

Recruitment Pathway:
How did you hear about the New Voices program?:

Please specify:

Participation Expectations

Service as a New Voices cohort member requires active participation on an ongoing basis throughout the two-year tenure. Minimum participation typically requires between 4-6 hours monthly and must be balanced alongside commitments to your primary position/institution. Please confirm your understanding of the level of commitment required by reviewing and agreeing to the minimum participation requirements below.

If selected to become a New Voices member, I agree to:

- **In-person Member Meetings:** Meeting in person (usually in Washington, D.C.) at least two (2) times during each calendar year to further progress on the group's initiatives.
- **Virtual Monthly Meetings:** Regular attendance at monthly cohort meetings held via Zoom.
- **Webinar and Symposia Development:** Active participation in project committees for planned webinars and symposia, including regular participation in virtual planning meetings.
- **Group Contribution:** Serving as an active participant or in other leadership or contributing roles to support cohort development.
- **Special Projects:** Responding to ad-hoc invitations for special projects and activities such as attending major domestic and international events and liaising with National Academies program units when requested.
- **Staff Communication:** Maintaining regular contact with program staff including

Do you agree to the seven listed expectations above?:

Please explain:

In-person orientation:
Are you able to attend the required in-person orientation in Washington, DC anticipated to be held on January 27 - 29, 2026?:

Supplementary funding

Travel costs and per diem for New Voices members to attend in-person program meetings twice annually are typically covered by the program. However, we welcome our members to cost-share their travel expenses with their primary institution where possible in order to maximize budgetary resources for member attendance at other domestic and international forums throughout the year.

If selected, do you anticipate that your institution would be able to cost-share travel expenses where possible (i.e., covering airfare or a portion of other travel expenses through existing professional funds)?

Note: The answer to this question will not affect the selection process.:

Certification

By submitting this application, I certify that the enclosed information was prepared by me and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.