

## 2017 AAPA Leadership Fellows Program Call for Applications

The AAPA Leadership Fellows program is a **two-year leadership pipeline program** that provides mentorship around professional development and a leadership pathway by serving as an entry point for leadership for those individuals who might not have other traditional methods of receiving opportunities and mentorship toward leadership in AAPA. For example, the program works to be inclusive to early career members who come from less recognized psychological disciplines and those who could benefit from more focused mentorship that leads to AAPA leadership. The program seeks to diversify the leadership by providing Fellows with mentors and leadership experience in AAPA. The program facilitates the development of AAPA leaders who will contribute to advancing Asian Americans, multiculturalism, and social justice within psychology and the association and to serve as leaders in other academic and organizational settings.

Fellows selected for the program will participate in several trainings, receive individual and group mentoring from experienced leaders in AAPA and Past Fellows, observe and participate in AAPA Executive Committee sessions, complete a two year Fellows' project, and present their experiences at the 2018 AAPA conference. Fellows from the 2017 cohort will then become Past Fellows and will mentor incoming fellows for the 2018 year (optional attendance at midyear (if applicable) meetings).

Fellows will receive a stipend each year to defray travel costs for each required meeting (i.e., midyear meeting TBD or other agreed upon professional conference or meeting, AAPA (maximum of \$1000 per trip per Fellow, up to \$2000 for the entire year). Additional costs of travel and participation will be at fellows' expense.

### *Overview of Fellow's Program:*

Call for Fellows Applications	Due September 1, 2017
Review of Applications	Sept 2, 2017 – Sept 15, 2017
Initial Fellows Orientation	2017 AAPA Convention
Professional Development Conference Call (Date TBD) Ongoing individual mentoring and work on projects Attendance at AAPA EC meetings	Sept. 2017 – Aug. 2018 Online/telephone
AAPA EC Midyear meeting or a professional conference (e.g., NMCS, SRCO, AAAS, etc.; TBD)	Date TBD, 2017/2018
Professional Development Conference Call (Date TBD) Ongoing individual mentoring and work on projects Attendance at AAPA EC meetings Participation in recruitment of next year's Leadership Fellows	Feb. to Aug. 2018 Online/telephone
AAPA Conference Presentation by 2016 Fellows: Initial Fellows Training for 2018 fellows & Mid-term	August 2018 AAPA/APA Conference

training for 2017 fellows AAPA EC annual meeting. Participation in Program Evaluation of Leadership Fellows Program	
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### *Fellows' Projects*

Working closely with a Project Mentor, Fellows will assume primary responsibility for a Fellow's Project associated with AAPA initiatives and activities. Past examples of fellows' projects included but may change based on Fellow's interests.

- Creating fact sheets for bullying and suicide among Asian Americans
- Aiding in drafting grant proposals for CNPAAEMI Leadership Fellows program
- Assisting state organizations with the creation of a mental health Information Sheet for California Insurance Programs
- Attendance at the California Leadership and Advocacy Conference as an AAPA representative with a report to the Newsletter
- Participation on the Social Justice Task Force for the creation of the AAPA Social Justice Standing Committee program

The specific goals and outcomes for each Fellow in relation to her/his project will be developed in collaboration with their mentors. AAPA Fellows participate in the Executive Committee throughout their fellowship year to ensure a connection between the Fellows and AAPA leadership.

### **Applicant Criteria**

Applicants must be AAPA members who have completed their doctoral degree by August 31, 2017. Preference will be given to applicants who have some prior leadership experience in local contexts (e.g., within their graduate program) but who have not had leadership experience at the national level within psychology (e.g., held formal leadership positions in APA or other national psychological associations or served in any capacity on the AAPA Executive Committee). Individuals who have had limited opportunities to become more involved in leadership roles within AAPA and other organizations (e.g., current mentors are not involved in AAPA, underrepresented professional interests or personal backgrounds) are strongly encouraged to apply.

### **Application Process**

Applications should include (a) the required cover sheet (attached and also available at the AAPA website, <https://aapaonline.org/>). (b) the applicant's CV (no more than 3 pages, please include a section detailing prior leadership experience and the names of 2 professional references), (c) a short statement (no more than 1500 words) describing the reasons for applying, the desired outcome for the applicant, and the reason for interest in the Fellows program, and (e) one letter of reference from an individual familiar with your professional work and past leadership experiences.

Please send electronic applications by September 1, 2017, to the Leadership Fellows Chairs at [ntran@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:ntran@mail.sdsu.edu) and [rsconcepcion@gmail.com](mailto:rsconcepcion@gmail.com).

**AAPA Leadership Fellows Program  
Cover Sheet**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Psychology in which you received your degree:

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|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| _____ Biobehavioral | _____ Experimental                  |
| _____ Cognitive     | _____ Forensic                      |
| _____ Clinical      | _____ Industrial Organizational     |
| _____ Community     | _____ Personality                   |
| _____ Counseling    | _____ Sensation and Perception      |
| _____ Cultural      | _____ Social                        |
| _____ Developmental | _____ Other (Please specify): _____ |

AAPA is committed to ensuring diversity among the Fellows. Please indicate here aspects of your background that you believe would contribute to that priority. You might include, for example, your specific ethnicity, your gender, your religious background, your sexual orientation, or any other experience or identity that you believe would contribute to our understanding of the perspectives you bring and how these might contribute to the success of the Fellows.

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