



National Student Fellowship  
Programme national d'excellence pour les étudiants



***The 2022***  
***3M National Student***  
***Fellowship Cohort***  
***presents:***



# ***About the Summit***

The Canadian Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Student Leadership and Innovation Summit will function as a weekend-long retreat for Student Leaders from across Canada interested in EDI (Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion) initiatives in post-secondary education. The 2022 3M NSF Cohort wants to build a national community of student leaders in EDI. Furthermore, we want to equip student leaders with the necessary skills and support to continue their work in their institutions and beyond.

# ***Mission***

The Summit stands to educate the participants about inclusivity and intersectionality in the classroom to promote equity-based pedagogy and teaching to enhance the individual student experience.

By teaching students the importance and existence of their own intersectional identity within the classroom, we empower them to work towards dismantling the inherent biases within the higher education system and demand a more equitable learning environment.

**DUE DATE:  
APRIL 15, 2023**



# ***The Organizers***

This is part of a project led by the 2022 3M National Student Fellowship Cohort, and is the continuation of the EDI Summit conducted by the 2021 3MNSF Cohort.

The 3M National Student Fellowship honors up to ten full-time diploma and undergraduate students at Canadian post-secondary schools who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in their lives and at their institutions.

For any questions, please email: [ogonepavaram@mta.ca](mailto:ogonepavaram@mta.ca)

## ***Details***

- Dates: June 9th-10th (2 nights, 3 days)
- Location: Bishop's University, Lennoxville, Quebec.
- Number of students: 10-15 student participants (selected applicants)
- Number of speakers: 2
- Expenses: All-paid\*
- Application process: Online submissions [Access through the following link]

<https://forms.office.com/r/6K13hmBemG>

\*Conditions apply: Breakfast will be provided by the accommodations, and a limit will be set for Lunch/Dinner purchases. Travel and food will be on a reimbursement basis. Alcohol purchases will not be compensated for.

## ***Application Process***

- Step 1: Complete the Online Application
- Step 2: Answer the prompt: "What does EDI mean to me as a higher education student in Canada?"
- Step 3: Wait for the Decision. Anticipated date of decision: April 30th
- Step 4: Accept the invitation to the summit!

# ***Evaluation***

You can answer the prompt through a medium of your choice. It could be a submission of an essay, video, animation, poem, etc. You have creative freedom for your submission. Specific requirements are below!

Every applicant will be evaluated as an individual on:

How well you answer the prompt,

- The EDI initiatives you have participated in
- The content of your submission
- Creativity and innovation
- Your passion for EDI work
- Your explanation of the importance of EDI within the classroom in higher education.

Specific requirements:

- If you are submitting an essay, you can follow the guidelines listed below. These guidelines are flexible to a reasonable extent:
  - Font- 12-point, Times New Roman, Double-spaced.
  - Number of pages- Minimum: 2; Maximum: 5
- If you are submitting a video, you can follow the guidelines listed below. These guidelines are flexible to a reasonable extent:
  - Minimum: 2 minutes; Maximum: 7 minutes.
- For any other creative submissions (poetry, artwork, etc.)
  - Please include an explanation of a minimum of 250 words.

We ensure a commitment to EDIAD (Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Accessibility, and Decolonization) values during our selection process.

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## ***Who are we looking for?***

- Students currently studying in higher education in institutions across Canada.
- Not limited to domestic students, International students and exchange Students are encouraged to apply!
- Students who are leaders in the EDI initiatives on their campus or want to aspire to be a leader, and can show a passion for learning and self-growth.
- Students from various walks of life, and who believe that they can bring a unique perspective to EDI spaces.
- Students looking to innovate within their own educational institutions and enhance the lives of their fellow students.

## ***Why should you apply?***

- Learn about EDI values in education
- Interact and Network with student leaders across Canada that share your passion
- Create life-long connections with like-minded individuals!
- Work with the other participants to create a toolkit of Best Practices in EDI in Higher Education!
- Use the toolkit as a guide to lead innovation and improvement in your own institution!

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