

Student Fellow Campaign Guidelines

Eligibility. Any student who is enrolled full-time in a degree program at Weill Cornell Medical College (New York or Qatar) or the Weill Cornell Graduate School of Medical Sciences, and who expects to be so enrolled for the 3-year term as Student Fellow, is eligible to apply.

Nomination Requirements. Nominees must attend an information session (or have a designee attend in their place) and submit a 1-page candidate statement with a photo, description of past accomplishments and their interest in the Student Fellow position and goals if elected. To qualify for the 2024 election, statements must be submitted via this [Qualtrics Form](#) by 11:59 pm EDT on Thursday, March 14, 2024.

Campaign Process.

Election Calendar

- The nomination period runs February 28 – March 14.
- Candidate validation day – March 15.
- The official campaign period runs March 18 - April 1.
- Candidate Debate – March 19.
- Meet the Candidates opportunities (MSEC-NY Meeting)
- Online voting runs 7 calendar days, April 2 - 8.
- Candidate Expenditure forms due to Board of Fellows (BoF) office – April 4, by email to (secretary@med.cornell.edu).

Election Website: <https://studentservices.weill.cornell.edu/student-life/student-fellow-election>

- Candidate Statements
- Link to Candidate Debate Recording
- Campaign Guidelines
- Election and Campaign Dates

Campaign Communications

Institution-sponsored communications

1. ***Candidate Debate.*** There will be a debate among the candidates on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm EDT. The debate will be hosted in a hybrid-style at Weill Auditorium (1300 York) and Zoom. The debate will be recorded and shared with the student body. Each candidate will have 2 minutes for opening and closing statements. There will also be time devoted to questions from the current Student Fellow, as well as students in attendance.
2. ***Sponsored Meet the Candidates events.*** Students interested in running are welcome to attend and introduce themselves at the March MSEC-NY meeting, in which the date/time will be relayed to candidates.

Candidate-sponsored communications

1. ***Timing.*** Direct campaigning is limited to the official campaign period – March 18 - April 1.
2. ***Media Vehicles.*** Candidates and their supporters may not post any campaign-related communications on WCM institutional listservs or sites. Candidates may use social media, group chats, Zoom, and/or Slack to promote their campaigns. Campaign flyers

may only be posted in areas where flyers are allowed (e.g. outside of Lasdon elevators, but not inside Lasdon elevators).

Campaign Expenditures

- Each candidate (combined with any supporters) may not exceed a total of \$50 for out-of-pocket spending and donated materials and services. Candidates must submit a Candidate Expenditure Statement Form with combined receipts to the Board of Fellows office by the deadline specified in the Election Calendar.
- Candidates may be reimbursed for up to the full \$50 of allowable out-of-pocket campaign expenses (e.g., photocopies, web hosting fees) provided records, such as receipts, are properly submitted on the Candidate Expenditure Statement Form.