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.