

2023 Voqal Fellowship Application Process Guide

This is a guide to the 2023 Voqal Fellowship application process. Information on eligibility, program elements, and requirements can be found on our [website](#).

Applications must be submitted through Voqal's online system, found at bit.ly/VoqalFellowship. The end of this document outlines step-by-step instructions for completing and submitting applications.

Key Dates

September 6:	Applications Open, 12 a.m. ET
September 15:	Info Session #1, 1 p.m. ET (Register here)
October 12:	Info Session #2, 4 p.m. ET (Register here)
October 31:	Applications Close, 11:59 p.m. ET

Contact

For technical assistance, contact voqalfellowship@gmail.com

Application Questions

You will be asked to complete three application sections: Overview, The Pitch, and About You. The following is a brief outline of each section. You can download a full question list following the instructions on page five (5) of this document (Step Four (4)).

Overview

Pronouns: Please tell us your preferred pronouns.

Project Name: Give your idea/project a title. *Character limit: 200*

Project Description: The elevator pitch. *Character limit: 750*

Publicity: Tell us how you learned about the fellowship.

Program Area: Tell us which program area your idea/project falls under, choosing among Economic Justice, Education Justice, Environmental Justice, Health Justice, Immigrant Justice, Racial Justice, and LGBTQIA Justice. Other is also an option.

Eligibility: Confirm your eligibility for the program by indicating if you can work legally in the United States and are available for the required convenings.

The Pitch

Issue: Please explain the societal problem/challenge you seek to address and how it affects the community you work with. We want to understand your analysis of the current reality and how systemic forces influence your community. *Character limit: 7,500*

Impact: What is the future you are trying to create? How are you contributing to that future through this work? If the idea/project is accomplished, what will have changed for the

community? How are social justice and equity in practice? (Question inspired by Catalytic Thinking.) *Character limit: 10,000*

Project Summary: Please provide a detailed summary of the idea/project. What are the specific actions, tasks, or steps you will take? Who will be engaged throughout the process? *Character limit: 7,500*

Timeline: What do you plan to focus on in the six months of the fellowship (April - September 2023)? What are the major milestones you hope to accomplish as you work on the idea/project during the fellowship? *Character limit: 3,500*

Others in the Field: To the best of your knowledge, is any other individual, group, or organization working on a similar idea/project? If yes, what do you feel they are missing? How does your idea/project fill this gap? If you are unaware of similar projects, please put "not applicable." *Character limit: 1,500*

Growth and Learning: Voqal hopes all Fellows to show progress in growing as social entrepreneurs and developing their ideas/projects. Please tell us how you might hope to grow and evolve throughout the Fellowship. What do you hope will be your biggest takeaway from this experience? *Character limit: 5,000*

Budget: Please complete the Fellowship Project Budget Template found at <http://voqal.org/forms/> to provide a breakdown of expenses. We ask for a budget to understand your current needs. We do not use it in the evaluation process.

Additional Funds: Tell us if you have already raised additional funding. *Character limit: 250*

Anything Else?

This is space to share any additional information about you or your idea/project that could not be captured in other application sections, including attachments or other documentation.

About You

Your Lived Experience: Describe your background and work experience, focusing on how it prepared you for this moment. *Character limit: 10,000*

Why Social Entrepreneurship: Please tell us what drives you as a social entrepreneur. *Character limit: 1,500*

Disrupting the Status Quo: Please tell us how you actively reject white supremacy culture. *Character limit: 3,500*

Resume: Upload a resume, CV, or other document outlining formal and informal work experience.

Online Presence: Provide links to websites that provide more insight into you and your work. *Character limit: 500*



Are You Ready: Tell us how you are prepared to go on an emotional and technical journey.
Character limit: 1,500

Demographics

We collect demographic information to track our own performance for attracting individuals from historically overlooked and marginalized communities. Information collected in this section is for internal evaluation only. You can choose the “prefer not to answer” option for any or all questions in this section.

Application Submission Instructions

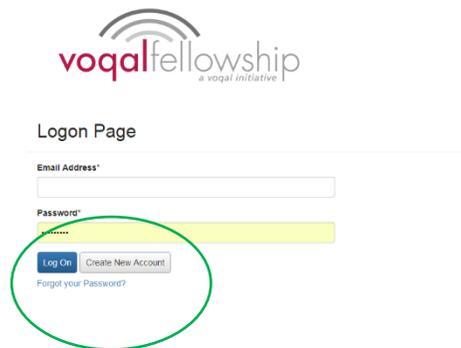
You can access the online system for submitting the application here: bit.ly/VoqalFellowship

If you have applied before, please use your log-in credentials. If needed, you can use the “Forgot your password” link on the log-in page or contact voqalfellowship@gmail.com for assistance.

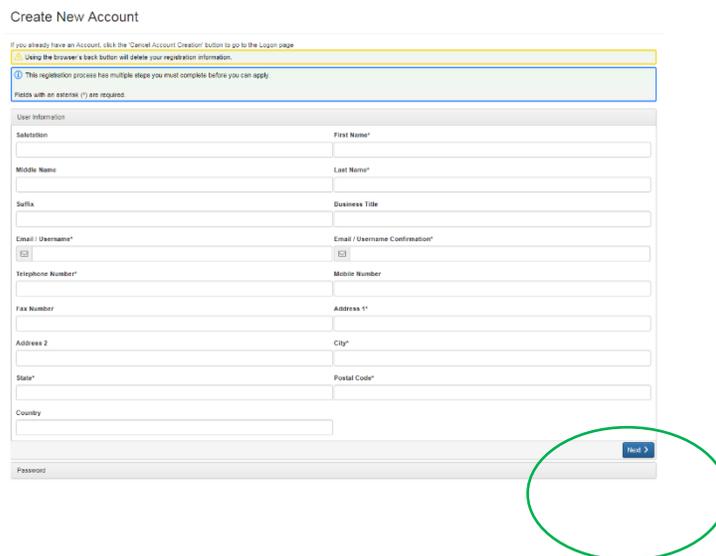
Skip to Step Four on page five (5) if you already have an account.

If you are a first-time applicant, please create a new account.

1. Click “Create New Account” on the [log-on page](#)



2. Complete the profile and click “Next” to enter a password, then click “Create Account”



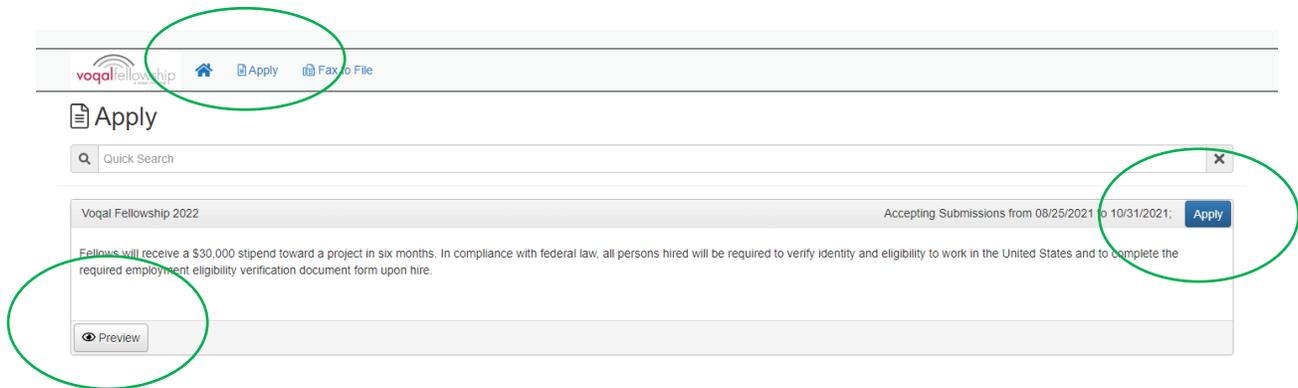
3. You will be asked to confirm receipt of the registration email before finalizing the account

Email Confirmation

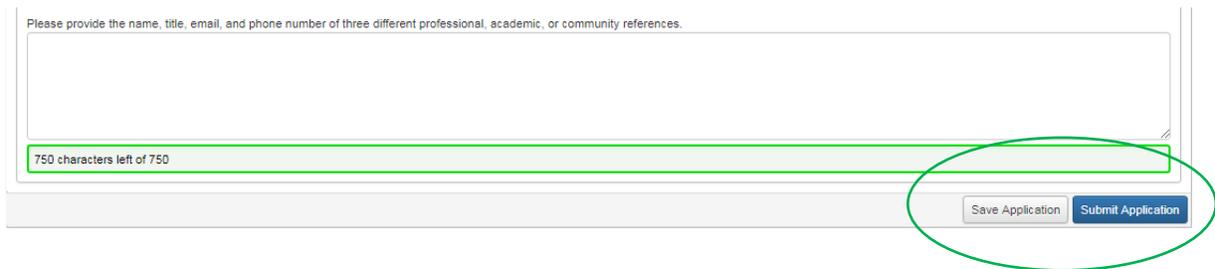


4. Once [logged in](#), you will be automatically directed to the “Apply” home page. Click the blue “Apply” button in the top right of the Voqal Fellowship FY20 box to enter the application

- ➔ If you logged on with a previously created account, you will need to click the “Apply” button along the top to enter this section.
- ➔ To view the application forms, click the “Preview” button; once on the preview screen, you can generate a PDF of all questions by clicking “Question List” in the top right



5. Once you click “Apply,” complete the form. You can save the application using the “Save Application” button at the bottom of the application. When the application is complete, click “Submit Application” at the bottom.



NOTE: If you save the application, it will now be available on the home page when you [log in](#) again. Once you log in, you will see the “Voqal Fellowship 2023” process with an “Edit

Application” link on the right. You can save and come back to the application as many times as you want before submitting it.

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