MCSC Impact Fellowship: Timeline (2021)

April 26
Program Call Issued

- Rolling Review Process -

May 28
Full Application Consideration Begins; Rolling Consideration Possible

June 14/15
Interview Dates, Please Hold

July 1
Applications Notified

Late Summer/Early Fall
Fellowships May Begin

Review Process

Fellowship nominations will be reviewed by a committee selected by MCSC directors and the MCSC Faculty Steering Committee. If faculty were named in the application, these individuals might be included in the review process. The applications will be ranked based on the nominee’s graduate school information, submitted statement, and CV. Letters of recommendation will be requested for screened candidates. The review committee will create a collective review file and meet to discuss the ranking and selection of the fellows. There will be an interview day for about sixteen fellow candidates that will consist of group and individual interviews.

Selection Criteria

The factors in making selections include intellectual pursuit, creativity, originality, qualifications, potential for intellectual and professional growth, and career path relevance to program. Please note that Impact Fellows cannot hold another academic or industry appointment during the Fellowship period. Candidates must have recently completed a Ph.D. in a relevant field by the start of the Fellowship.

Intellectual Merit: Evaluate the originality, creativity, coherence, and clarity of the proposed activities. Will the individual’s engagement advance the work of the consortium and his/her/their understanding of important sustainability issues?
**Impact:** Will the proposed activities have significant impact or the potential to implement sustainable solutions to real-world needs? Are the critical steps on the path to career impact clearly articulated?

**Social Justice & Equity:** To what extent does the proposed activities, engagement, and background integrate social justice and equity into the agenda?

**Metrics:** Do the activities and engagements demonstrate self-initiated abilities to establish clear and appropriate measures of success and explicit milestones with a realistic timeline?

**Qualifications and Accomplishments of the Candidate:** To what degree does the fellowship candidate have the required background and experience for the consortium?