






Forge Fellowship

The Forge Fellowship serves as the entry point for students to the Roosevelt Network. During this experience students will develop leadership skills, demystify policy creation, and feel empowered to grapple with the realities of neoliberalism while beginning to understand its alternatives.

What's in it for you?

-  Enjoy lifelong “Roosevelter” status
-  Gain foundational policy analysis and research skills
-  Become an effective policy communicator
-  Engage a nationwide cohort of friends and collaborators
-  Be mentored by Network staff and Alumni

Application Timeline:

Students may apply to the Forge Fellowship via our Early Application or our Regular Application. Students who apply Early do not have an advantage during the application review process and we never fill our entire cohort only from the Early pool.



Early Application Deadline: December 8, 2024

Application opens October 9, 2024

Notified of next steps by end of February, 2025

Regular Application Deadline: February 7, 2025

Application opens January 3, 2025

Notified of next steps by mid-April, 2025

You should apply for the Forge Fellowship if you:

- Will be a first-year or sophomore undergrad enrolled full-time in a bachelor's degree program at an institution located within the US during the '25-26 academic year.
- Are a US citizen, permanent resident, or DACA recipient (international students are not eligible for Network fellowships).
- Will be located in the US from June 2025 - December 2025 (temporary travel less than 2 weeks is allowed).
- Can commit 5 hours/week to assignments and real-time, virtual engagements.
- Can commit to attending a mandatory, in-person Roosevelt Network conference at the FDR Presidential Library and Museum from Thursday, July 31 - Sunday, August 3, 2025 (Roosevelt will pay for all travel and lodging).
- Want to begin your journey to a career in public policy!