INDIANA ACADEMY of SCIENCE 1885

INSPECT'27 · PRELIMINARY PROPOSED TIMELINE

Fellowship Program Timeline

Indiana Science Policy Fellowship Program — significant events

October 2026	INSPECT Fellowship Coordinator sends advertising & recruiting materials to university contacts.
Fall semester	Universities distribute advertising/recruiting materials to their targeted student body & define their application deadline (end of Fall semester).
Late Nov / early Dec 2026	Informational sessions offered to potential applicants.

Tuesday, November 24, 2026
5:00 pm EST · Zoom
usi.zoom.us/j/98987619379

Wednesday, December 2, 2026
4:00 pm EST · Zoom
usi.zoom.us/j/94260788605

By Feb. 15	Universities identify top 3 applicants and forward those applicants' materials to the INSPECT Fellowship Coordinator immediately following selection.
Feb. 15 – Mar. 1	INSPECT Fellowship Advisory Committee meets and deliberates.
By Mar. 1	Final decisions made and Fellow selections extended to host offices.
By Mar. 15	Host offices approve or decline selected Fellows. If declined, 2nd-ranked Host Office is notified, with 1 week for approval/decline.
By Mar. 31	Decisions (and host office placements) are announced to Fellows.
April – May	Selected Fellows establish communication for planning with their Host Agency contact.
Late May 2027	Virtual Fellow Orientation; schedule determined by applicant cohort and university academic calendar.
Late May – mid-Aug.	Fellows report to Host Office for work assignment following orientation/training. 10-week commitment beginning on or about 5/30 and ending by 8/15.
Late summer / early fall	Dinner, celebration, and program wrap-up.
~September 1, 2027	Fellow Reports due to Coordinator.

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