

# Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship 2016

## Official Rules

**1. To Enter.** The Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship (the "Program") is open to PhD students at (i) Carnegie Mellon University, (ii) Massachusetts Institute of Technology, (iii) Princeton University, (iv) Rutgers University, (v) Stanford University, (vi) UC Berkeley, (vii) UC Los Angeles, (viii) UC San Diego, (ix) University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, (x) University of Maryland, College Park, (xi) Columbia University in the City of New York, (xii) University of Southern California, (xiii) Cornell University, (xiv) University of Michigan, (xv) University of Washington, (xvi) California Institute of Technology, (xvii) Georgia Institute of Technology, and (xviii) University of Texas at Austin.

Fellowships will be awarded to two or more teams of two students who submit the most innovative proposals. Both members of each team must be enrolled in the PhD program for the entire 2016-17 academic year. Thus, each student needs to have begun the PhD program by Fall 2016 and will graduate with PhD no earlier than the end of the Spring 2017 semester (each an "Entrant"). At least one member of each team must be from the Electrical Engineering or Computer Science department (or a related department).

To apply for a Fellowship, each team must submit the registration materials described on the Program website at: <http://www.qualcomm.com/innovationfellowship> (the "Website") by December 7, 2015 (registration will close at 11:59 pm Pacific Time). Entrants must fully complete the registration materials specified on the Website (collectively, the "Application"). No other method of registration will be accepted.

Each Entrant warrants that his/her team's Application and Presentation (defined in Sec. 4 below) will not violate or infringe the rights, including, without limitation, copyrights, trademark rights or rights of publicity/privacy, of any third party, and that any pre-published material used in the Application and/or Presentation is properly cited.

Preparation of the Application and Presentation may produce ideas that are the intellectual property ("IP") of the entrants and/or universities. Participation in the Program may require disclosure of these ideas to persons who are not under a duty to maintain confidentiality (including Sponsor and the judges). Sponsor reserves the right, but is not obligated, to publish information about the winning Applications on its Website or in any other media. If any Entrants are concerned about confidentiality or the protection of IP, they are urged to consider these issues with qualified advisors to make an informed decision before submitting an Application.

Application and Presentation materials will not be returned. Proof of submission of an Application is not considered proof of delivery or receipt of such Application by Sponsor. Sponsor is not responsible for technical, hardware or software malfunctions, lost or unavailable network connections or failed, incorrect, inaccurate, illegible, incomplete, garbled, lost, misdirected, intercepted, late, or delayed Applications, or Applications or other communications not otherwise received by Sponsor, or other technical problems related to Applications or the Website. Sponsor, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to disqualify any Entrant who tampers with the entry process, or who otherwise violates these Official Rules.

**2. Sponsor.** The Program is sponsored by Qualcomm Technologies, Inc. headquartered at 5775 Morehouse Drive, San Diego, CA 92121 ("Sponsor").

**3. Fellowship Awards.** Cash awards of \$50,000 per student will be awarded to the university academic departments of the winning students, not to the winning Entrants directly. These awards may be used to fund the student's research expenses starting in the academic year of 2016-2017. Sponsor will also provide mentors to the Fellowship winners. Winners may also have the opportunity to participate in collaborative activities and/or internships with Qualcomm Research.

Any IP generated by the Entrants as part of the preparation of their Applications and Presentations as part of the 2016 Program will be

retained by the students and/or university according to the winners' university policies. The projects of Fellowship winners may be re-evaluated after one year for future funding by Sponsor; however Sponsor shall have no obligation to provide any future funding or assistance.

Each Entrant acknowledges that Sponsor has a large research and development program with many projects currently in active development or on roadmaps. Each Entrant further acknowledges that Sponsor may already be conducting, or may in the future conduct, research that is similar to the research described in an Application or Presentation, and that Sponsor's right or ability to sell, license, use, exploit, develop or otherwise deal anywhere in any product, technology or service of any kind including those which may be similar to any product, technology or service described in an Application or Presentation shall not be limited or restricted in any way related to or resulting from the Program.

**4. Finalist Selection and Notification.** A subset of teams will be selected as Program Finalists and notified early February 2016. In Spring 2016, each Finalist team will make a presentation of the research described in their Application to a judging panel at a designated Sponsor location ("Presentation"). The Finalists' Presentations will be part of the final judging criteria. Sponsor will arrange and pay travel expenses for the Finalists' attendance at the presentation. The date and location will be posted on the Website.

**5. Selection and Notification of Fellowship Winners.** All Applications will be ranked by a panel of experts consisting of Sponsor researchers whose decisions are final on all matters relating to the Fellowships. Winners will be announced on the Website following the Finalists' presentations, and notified by email sent to the email addresses specified on each winning team's Application. The date and location of an awards ceremony will be announced later. Sponsor will arrange and pay travel expenses for winners' attendance at the awards ceremony. Fellowship winners are required to sign and return a publicity release, in the form provided by Sponsor.

**6. General Conditions.** Sponsor has the right to modify or cancel this Fellowship competition if it cannot be completed as originally contemplated due to a lack of funding or conditions beyond Sponsor's reasonable control. Sponsor is not responsible for any policies, rules, or actions of the universities that may prevent any student from entering, participating in and/or being selected at any stage of this Program.

By applying to the Program, each Entrant agrees: (i) to be bound by these Official Rules and the decisions of the judges, (ii) to be contacted by Sponsor by telephone, mail or email regarding this Fellowship, (iii) that personal data submitted, including name, mailing address, phone number, email address or any other data provided by the Entrant that can be used to identify or locate a person ("Personal Information"), may be collected, processed, stored and otherwise used by Sponsor for the purposes of conducting and/or administering the Program and (iv) that the Personal Information may be transmitted, processed, disclosed and/or stored by Sponsor and its affiliates and subcontractors. All personal information that is collected from the Entrant is subject to Qualcomm's privacy policy at <https://www.qualcomm.com/site/privacy>.

All applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. The Fellowship competition is governed by the laws of the state of California. All matters or disputes arising or related to these terms shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of courts located in San Diego, California.

All taxes, including, without limitation, all federal, state and local taxes, and international tariffs, are the sole responsibility of each Applicant and/or university that receives an award or other consideration.