



New Sector Alliance

Leadership Longevity Fellowship

Frequently Asked Questions: 2024-2025 National Cohort

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Frequently Asked Questions

Eligibility

What if I don't meet all the eligibility criteria?

We ask that you not submit an application for this round of the Fellowship. If you have questions about eligibility not outlined in these FAQs or the application itself, email LLF@NewSector.org with "LLF Application Question" in the subject line.

If my application is not selected, can I reapply again in the future?

Yes. If you continue to meet the eligibility requirements, you may apply again for future New Sector Alliance fellowships.

If I have participated in previous New Sector Alliance fellowships (including RISE and Summer Fellowships), am I eligible for the Leadership Longevity Fellowship?

Yes. As long as you meet all eligibility criteria, you may apply for the Leadership Longevity Fellowship.

Phase 1: Submit an Application

When is the application due?

The application is due by **Monday, June 3, 2024**, at **9:00 AM Pacific Time**.

How much time will the application take to complete?

Assuming your resume or LinkedIn profile is updated and readily accessible, we anticipate the application can be completed in less than two hours.

What do you look for in candidates? How can I ensure my application stands out?

To ensure your application has the best chance of success in our review process:

- **Be clear.** Use plain, straightforward language. Avoid using acronyms unless you have defined them somewhere else in your application.
- **Be detailed.** Provide details in your short answer responses so we can understand you as a person — not only your actions but your motivations and deeply held beliefs. Paint a picture of yourself for us.
- **Be authentic about who you are.** The Fellows we select in the application process will be selected based on their individual qualities as well as how they'll work as a member of the cohort. Your candor and clarity helps us ensure we create the best possible cohort to participate together in shared programming.



- **Be focused.** Before you begin your application, write down the single most important thing you want to convey to the selection committee. Be sure to include information that supports this in your application.

How do I know my application was successfully submitted?

The application form will automatically generate an email notification once submitted. If you do not receive an email notification, your form has not reached us, and you should submit the form again.

Phase 2: Virtual Conversation

When will virtual conversations happen?

The virtual conversations will take place throughout June. Time slots will be available on a first-come, first-served basis, so it is recommended that you schedule your time as soon as you receive your invitation.

How much time will the conversation take?

The conversation will take 25 minutes. Individuals advanced to phase 2 will receive a preview of discussion questions.

None of the conversation times work for me. Can I mail or email my answers to the conversation questions instead?

At this time, we are unable to accept mailed or emailed responses. If you have trouble scheduling a conversation time using the online link, please email LLF@NewSector.org with “LLF Conversation Scheduling” in the subject line. Responding to the conversation questions attached does not represent a completion of your application.

What kind of feedback will New Sector Alliance provide me if I’m not selected?

Due to the volume of applications, we cannot provide feedback for candidates whose applications have not been advanced.

Travel Requirements

Is travel required for this program?

Yes. As a 2024-25 cohort member, you’ll travel twice. Expenses for both trips will be covered as a part of the Fellowship*.



- The launch of the Fellowship experience will take place in person over four days in a retreat-style format. The retreat will occur from October 15 to 18, 2024, at the Saguaro Lake Guest Ranch in Mesa, Arizona.
- The 2024-25 cohort will also travel to an alumni event at the end of the Fellowship experience from July 31 to August 3, 2025. The event will include retreat-style programming tailored to alumni, meeting previous Fellows, and more. The retreat location will be near Greater Boston, Massachusetts.

**New Sector will cover all expenses associated with traveling to and from your home city for these two 2024-25 cohort retreats. Additional personal expenses are not included.*

Note: You will also be invited to participate in alumni programming beyond 2025. We encourage, but do not require, you to plan ahead to attend our annual alumni retreat. See below for financial and other considerations.

Financial and Other Considerations

What value will I get from participating in this program?

As a participant in all parts of the fellowship program, you'll benefit from training, professional development, wellness support, retreat travel and programming, 1:1 coaching, the alumni network, and more. There will be no additional compensation.

What are the costs of participation?

New Sector Alliance will cover all the above costs for the 2024-2025 program year (valued at approximately \$35,000 per person). This is thanks to the generous support of a small private family foundation that is actively involved in the program.

To continue the program for future cohorts and support our alumni community, New Sector requests that 2024-2025 Fellows be committed to actively participating in the New Sector Alliance Leadership Longevity alumni community. Most alumni events will be free webinars or informal in-person local gatherings organized by alumni themselves.

New Sector Alliance also plans to host an annual in-person Leadership Longevity retreat each summer. To participate in this retreat beyond summer 2025, alumni may cover their own costs, use professional development funds, or ask New Sector to provide a letter of recommendation or other endorsement so that you can request funding from another source (e.g., your local community foundation).



Like other 501(c)(3) nonprofits, New Sector Alliance engages in annual fundraising campaigns to support future cohorts of Leadership Longevity Fellows and alumni programming. We encourage, but do not require, Fellows and alumni to raise awareness of these campaigns and/or make a small but meaningful contribution each year.

If you have any questions, please email LLF@NewSector.org.

Does this fellowship provide any certifications or continuing education credits?

Fellows who have fulfilled all program requirements will be granted a New Sector Alliance Leadership Longevity Certification of Completion at the end of the program and an accompanying program credential to add to your LinkedIn profile. We are unable to provide CCEs at this time.

Contact Information

I have more questions. Who can I contact for more information?

If you have read all application materials and these FAQs and still have questions, email LLF@NewSector.org with “LLF Application Question” in the subject line. Please allow up to two business days for a response.