

## **2026 FASPE Law Fellowship Eligibility Guidelines**

FASPE seeks graduate students and early-career professionals in formative stages of developing their professional identity and influence as leaders in their fields. The below guidelines should be considered when choosing whether to apply. Applications that do not strictly adhere to these guidelines will still be considered, but preference may be given to those that are more closely aligned with the outlined eligibility parameters.

FASPE seeks Law applicants who fit into one of the following three categories: 1) are enrolled in a JD (or equivalent degree) program as a 2L or 3L at the time of their application; OR 2) are working in the legal profession (including a clerkship) at the time of their application and have received a JD degree no earlier than May 2019; OR 3) for applicants from education systems where law school training does not take place at the post-graduate level, applicants should have completed their requisite legal education in the applicable jurisdiction and be working as a trainee or associate (no more senior than a 6th year associate).

FASPE seeks Law Fellows with diverse interests and backgrounds, including those pursuing careers in law firms, internal law departments, public interest law, as prosecutors or public defenders, etc.

FASPE seeks Fellows at a formative stage of their professional lives, who are open-minded and self-reflective, demonstrate leadership capabilities, and possess the potential of having influence in their fields. FASPE selects its Fellows on the basis of their academic background, personal and professional experiences, capacity for leadership, and ability to contribute to the Fellowship program and the alumni community. FASPE values and seeks to create inclusive environments, and welcomes applicants of all religious, political, and socioeconomic backgrounds as well as gender identities. FASPE seeks Fellows who are interested in engaging in discussions with their co-Fellows and faculty, and who have the intellectual and emotional maturity to discuss difficult and controversial issues responsibly and respectfully in small group settings. All applications are welcome and reviewed.