

## Call for Applications: Apple Scholars in AI/ML Nomination for Fall Start 2025

Purdue can submit applications for up to three outstanding graduate students doing exceptional and innovative research in 12 areas identified by Apple:

- Privacy Preserving Machine Learning
- Human Centered AI
- AI for Ethics and Fairness
- AI for Accessibility
- AI for Health and Wellness
- ML Theory
- ML Algorithms and Architectures
- Embodied ML
- Speech and Natural Language
- Computer Vision
- Information Retrieval, Ranking, and Knowledge
- Data-Centric AI

Grad students must apply to be considered for nomination.

**\*\*Deadline to submit your nomination packet: Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at NOON ET\*\***

### What does the fellowship provide?

- Gift amount covering full tuition and fees (enrollment fees, health insurance) for (2) academic years
- \$40,000 USD gift each year to help with living expenses and related expenses
- \$5,000 USD gift each year to support research-related travel and associated expenses
- Mentorship with an Apple researcher
- Potential internship opportunities during their fellowship\*

*\* Internship offers are dependent on student status, and contingent upon necessary requirements for employment being met according to relevant employment law.*

### Who is eligible?

- Nominee must be enrolled full time at Purdue at the start of Fall 2025, and expect to be enrolled through the end of the 2025/2026 academic year
- Nominee should be entering their last 2-3 years of study as of Fall 2024
- Nominee must not hold another industry-sponsor sponsored full fellowship while they are an Apple Scholar in AI/ML (Fall 2025 to Summer 2028)

### How can I learn more about the program and get application guidance?

1. Visit the Apple Scholars website to learn about last year's winners and research directions:
  - a. <https://machinelearning.apple.com/updates/apple-scholars-aiml-2024>
  - b. <https://machinelearning.apple.com/research/>
2. Sign up for several related workshops [here](#), including:
  - a. Fellowship Help Office Hours on 6/18 11AM; 7/17 11AM
  - b. Computational Research PhD Fellowships Info Session on 6/19 at 10:00 AM
  - c. How to Find and Prepare Fellowship Applications on 7/11 10AM
  - d. Presenting Your Research: How to Sell Others on Your Ideas on 7/18 10:30 AM
3. More guidance is given in the online application

## How do I apply to be a Purdue Nominee?

1. **Open and complete the following online application:** <https://redcap.link/apple2024>  
*Note: You can save, return, and modify your application until the due date of 8/01/24*
2. **Within this online application:**
  - a. **Download the Review Panel Commitment Form** to be signed by your Director of Graduate Programs, or equivalent position, naming a faculty member to serve as a reviewer and email to [trainee-funding@purdue.edu](mailto:trainee-funding@purdue.edu) ASAP (but before application deadline).
  - b. **Upload as a single PDF in this order:**
    - i. **Your student CV and publication list with links** to publications
    - ii. **Research abstract** (200 word maximum)
    - iii. **Research statement** covering past work and proposed direction for next 2 years (5 page maximum including citations, in a legible font size)
    - iv. **2 letters of recommendation**, one from current advisor (1 page maximum per letter)

## When will I learn if I am selected as a Purdue Nominee?

- Nominees will be notified the last week of August and have one week to polish their applications before Purdue uploads them to Apple's portal.

Questions can be sent to [trainee-funding@purdue.edu](mailto:trainee-funding@purdue.edu)