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2025 Call for Nominations for Gaylord Donnelley Postdoctoral Environmental Fellowships

ELIGIBILITY

- Individuals who have been awarded the PhD degree within the past three years, or who are soon to be awarded the PhD degree, are eligible for nomination.
- **Please note:** Yale PhD graduates and individuals already in residence at Yale are not eligible.

DISCIPLINES & FACULTY SPONSORS

- The Donnelley Postdoctoral Environmental Fellowship award supports research in environmental sciences.
- Fellows work under the mentorship of a Yale faculty member.
- The Yale faculty member provides office and lab space, and research funds beyond the award's contingency fund.

AWARD

- The fellowship term is two years, without possibility of renewal. There is opportunity to teach a seminar course in the individual's area of specialization.
- Annual compensation is \$68,500 plus fringe benefits and \$10,000 in contingency funds.

NOMINATION PROCESS

- Nominations must be made by a Yale faculty member, who must affirm that they will act as mentor and provide research infrastructure for the nominee if selected; direct applications are not accepted.
- **The nomination letter must:**
 - Describe how the faculty member knows the nominee.
 - Detail why the nominee is worthy of consideration and what makes them an outstanding candidate.
 - Explain how the nominee's proposed research is innovative, and how and why it will complement the work of the faculty member's research group.
 - Explain the broader impacts of the nominee's proposed research and outreach.
 - List the research facilities and equipment accessible to the nominee.
- Nominations are limited to one per faculty member.
- Submit the nomination letter online as PDF at:

<https://yibs.yale.edu/donnelley-nomination-form-2025>

- Nominees are asked to provide the following in PDF at:

<https://yibs.yale.edu/donnelley-application-form-2025>

- A two-page proposal describing research, outreach, and broader impacts.
- A curriculum vitae with a complete bibliography.
- Three letters of recommendation.
- The manuscript or reprint of one published work.

DEADLINES

- Faculty nominations are due **Monday, October 20th, 2025.**
- Nominee's application materials are due **Monday, November 17th, 2025.**
- Awards will be announced on or before **Friday, December 12th, 2025.**
Fellows will begin residency at Yale University on a date negotiated with their faculty sponsors, starting on or after July 1st, 2026.

For any questions or concerns regarding the application process, contact:
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