# Fellows Survey

# Purpose of Survey

As part of a study of NSF’s ADVANCE program, Westat, a social science research firm in Rockville, Maryland, is contacting recipients of ADVANCE Fellows awards. We request that you complete the attached survey, which asks about your experiences as a Fellow and how having received the grant has helped you or not in progressing towards your career goals.Please be assured that we respect your privacy and will keep individual responses confidential and secure. Although Westat staff will be able to identify your responses, evaluation results will be reported in the aggregate and include no individual identifying information.

It should take you approximately 50 minutes to complete this survey.

If you have any questions about the purpose of this survey, the items, or how the data will be used, please contact the Project Director, Dr. Susan Berkowitz, at301-294-3936 or [susanberkowitz@westat.com](mailto:susanberkowitz@westat.com).

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## Section A: Personal Information

*Please confirm the start and end dates of your ADVANCE Fellowship period, the institution(s) at which it was carried out, and the year you received your doctorate.*

A1. Start date of ADVANCE Fellowship: *(prefill start date)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A2. End date of ADVANCE Fellowship, including no-cost extensions: *(prefill end date)*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A3. Name of institution(s) at which the ADVANCE Fellowship was carried out: *(prefill institution(s))*

A4. Year you received your doctorate: *(prefill Ph.D. year)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A5. What is your racial background? *(Circle one or more.)*

a. American Indian or Alaska Native 1

b. Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander 2

c. Asian 3

d. Black or African American 4

e. White 5

A6. Are you Hispanic or Latina/o?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2

A7. What is your birth date?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Month** | |  | **Day** | |  |  | **Year** | |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **19** |  |  | |

A8. Are you currently married or in a long-term committed relationship?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2

## Section B. At the Time You Applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship

*The questions in this section ask about your professional and personal circumstances* ***at the time you applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship*.**

B1. At the time you applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship, what was your employment status? Were you employed in a... *(Circle only one.*)

**Full time**

a. Full-time tenure-track faculty appointment 1

b. Full-time non-tenure-track faculty appointment 2

c. Full-time non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment 3

d. Full-time academic administrative appointment 4

e. Full-time research appointment (including postdoctoral position) 5

f. Full-time position in industry 6

g. Full-time position in government 7

h. Full-time position in the non-profit sector. 8

i. Full-time other *(specify)* 9

**Part time**

j Part-time tenure-track faculty appointment 10

k. Part-time non-tenure-track faculty appointment 11

l. Part-time non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment 12

m. Part-time academic administrative appointment 13

n. Part-time research appointment (including postdoctoral position) 14

o. Part-time position in industry 15

p. Part-time position in government 16

q. Part-time position in the non-profit sector 17

r. Part-time other *(specify)* 18

**Other** *(specify)* 19

s. Unemployed (*For how long?* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ months) 20

B2. Were you married or in a long-term committed relationship at the time of application?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2 **GO TO QB7**

B3.What was your spouse or partner’s highest degree at the time of application?

a. No diploma or degree 1

b. High school diploma/GED 2

c. Bachelor’s degree 3

d Master’s degree 4

e. Doctoral degree 5

f. Other professional degree (e.g., M.D., D.D.S., J.D.) 6

B4. Was your spouse or partner employed at the time you applied for the Fellowship?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2 **GO TO QB7**

B5. Was your spouse or partner working in a STEM\* field?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2

*\*STEM=Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics*

B6. Was your spouse or partner working in academia?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2

B7. In the **two-year period before you applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship award**, had you applied for a **job in a STEM field?**

a. Yes 1

b. No 2 **GO TO QB13**

B8. For each of the following types of positions, please use the checkboxes to indicate the number of applications you submitted. *If you did not submit an application, please mark 0.*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Type of position** | **Number of applications** | | | | |
| **0** | **1–2** | **3–4** | **5+** | |
| a. Tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |  | |  | |
| b. Non-tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |  | |  | |
| c. Non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment |  |  |  | |  | |
| d. Academic administrative appointment |  |  |  | |  | |
| e. Research appointment (including postdoctoral position) |  |  |  | |  | |
| f. Position in industry |  |  |  | |  | |
| g. Position in government |  |  |  | |  | |
| h. Position in the non-profit sector |  |  |  | |  | |
| i. Other *(specify)* |  |  |  | |  | |

B9. For any of the positions referred to in **question B8**, did you receive any offers that you turned down?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2 **GO TO QB13**

B10. How many **total offers in a STEM field** did you turn down? *(Circle only one.*)

1. One or two 1
2. Three or four 2
3. Five or more 3

B11. Which type(s) of positions did you turn down? *(Circle all that apply.)*

1. Tenure-track faculty appointment 1
2. Non-tenure-track faculty appointment 2
3. Non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment 3
4. Academic administrative appointment 4
5. Research appointment (including postdoctoral position) 5
6. Position in industry. 6
7. Position in government 7
8. Position in the non-profit sector 8
9. Other *(specify)* 9

B12. What were your reason(s) for not accepting the offer(s)? (*Circle* *all that apply.*)

1. Position was not full time 1
2. Position was temporary 2
3. Position was not tenure track 3
4. Geographic location 4
5. Position did not offer desired research opportunities 5
6. Position did not offer desired teaching opportunities 6
7. Teaching load was too heavy 7
8. Position did not allow desired work/life balance 8
9. Position did not offer sufficient opportunity for advancement 9
10. Other (*specify*) 10

B13. Please indicate the extent to which the following circumstances were affecting your career advancement at the **time you applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship**. *(Circle one for each row.)*

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Circumstance** | **Not  at all** | **Somewhat** | **To a great extent** |
| **Personal circumstances** |  |  |  |
| a. Caregiving for child(ren) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b. Caregiving for other family member(s) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c. Spouse or partner’s career | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d. Health | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e. Other personal *(specify*) |  | 2 | 3 |
| **Professional circumstances** |  |  |  |
| f. Unemployment | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g. Job search difficulties | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| h. Working outside area of research interest | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| i. Limited research opportunities | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| j. Equipment-related issues | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| k. Computer-related issues | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| l. Lab space-related issues | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| m. Lack of time to do research | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| n. Lack of funds to hire research assistants | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| o. Lack of funds to travel for research-related purposes | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| p. Lack of opportunities to collaborate | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| q. Lack of ability to independently pursue grants/ serve as a PI | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| r. Lack of mentoring support | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| s. Teaching-related issues (heavy teaching load, not able to  teach desired courses) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| t. Advising commitments | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| u. Service-related issues (e.g., heavy committee service obligations) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| v. Limited opportunities for advancement | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| w. Non-supportive work climate | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| x. Other professional (*specify)* |  | 2 | 3 |

B14. At the time you applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship, what was your primary long-term employment goal? (*Circle only one.)*

a. To obtain a tenure-track faculty position in a STEM field 1

b. To obtain a non-tenure-track faculty position in a STEM field 2

c. To obtain a research appointment in a STEM field 3

d. To obtain a position in industry in a STEM field 4

e. To obtain a position in government in a STEM field 5

f. To obtain a position in the non-profit sector in a STEM field 6

g. Other *(specify)* 7

B15. Indicate the extent to which you had each of the following professional and personal goals at the time you applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship. *(Circle one for each row.)*

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Goal** | **Not at all** | **Somewhat** | **To a great extent** |
| **Research related** |  |  |  |
| a. Extend the line of research you were conducting | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b. Restart a previous research program | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c. Pursue a new line or area of research | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d. Pursue a multi-disciplinary research program | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e. Other research related (*specify)* |  | 2 | 3 |
| **Teaching related** |  |  |  |
| f. Teach/advise graduate students | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g. Teach/advise undergraduate students | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| h. Teach advanced courses in your field | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| i. Develop a new course or courses | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| j. Other teaching related *(specify*) |  | 2 | 3 |
| **Personal** |  |  |  |
| k. Be able to live in the same place as spouse/ partner | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| l. Secure satisfactory career for you | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| m. Secure satisfactory career for your spouse/partner | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| n. Secure a position that would support desired work/life balance | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| o. Other personal *(specify*) |  | 2 | 3 |

## Section C. During the ADVANCE Fellowship Period

*These questions ask primarily about your activities and experiences during your ADVANCE Fellowship.*

C1. Use the checkboxes to indicate the best description of theposition(s) you held during the ADVANCE Fellowship for two points in time: 1) at the start, and 2) at the end of the ADVANCE Fellowship. *(Please provide one response for each point in time regardless of whether your position changed*.)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Position** | **Start of Fellowship** | **At the end of Fellowship** |
| **Full time** |  |  |
| a. Full-time tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |
| b. Full-time non-tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |
| c. Full-time non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment |  |  |
| d. Full-time research appointment (including postdoctoral position) |  |  |
| e. Other full time (*specify)* |  |  |
| **Part time** |  |  |
| f. Part-time tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |
| g. Part-time non-tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |
| h. Part-time non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment |  |  |
| i. Part-time research appointment (including postdoctoral position) |  |  |
| j. Other part time *(specify)* |  |  |

C2. During the period in which you held your ADVANCE Fellowship, what was the approximate percentage of time you spent on the following professional activities during a typical week?

Research \_\_\_\_\_\_\_%

Teaching \_\_\_\_\_\_\_%

Service (e.g., serving on committee(s), community outreach) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_%

Other (e.g., advising) *(specify)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_%

100%

C3. Did you use your ADVANCE ancillary funds\* to do any of the following? *(Circle all that apply.)*

a. Purchase research equipment and supplies 1

b. Hire research assistants 2

c. Travel to conduct research off site (e.g., field work, at other labs) 3

d. Travel to meet with research collaborators (e.g., write   
joint proposals, papers, share and discuss findings) 4

e. Attend STEM conferences 5

f. Attend professional development events 6

g. Subsidize child care costs 7

h. Reimburse publication costs 8

i. Other *(specify)* 9

*\*Ancillary funds are those you were able to use in discretionary fashion according to program rules, excluding fringe benefits.*

C4. Please indicate the extent to which you participated in each of the following activities during the period of the ADVANCE Fellowship. *(Circle one for each row.)*

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Activity** | **Not at all** | **Somewhat** | **To a great extent** |
| a. Collaborated with other STEM researchers | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b. Mentored someone | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c. Served on a departmental committee | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d. Served on a college/university committee | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e. Served on the editorial board of a STEM professional journal | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| f. Served as a reviewer for a STEM professional journal | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g. Served as a grant reviewer | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| h. Served in a formal role (e.g., as an officer) in a STEM professional association | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| i. Provided local community service of any sort | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| j Other *(specify)* |  | 2 | 3 |

C5. Please indicate your level of satisfaction with each of the following during the ADVANCE Fellowship period. *(Circle one for each row.)*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Very unsatisfied** | **Un-satisfied** | **Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied** | **Satisfied** | **Very Satisfied** | **Not applicable** |
| **Equipment/space** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a. Equipment | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| b. Computer resources | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| c. Lab space | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| d. Other equipment/space  *(specify)* | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
| **Research related** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Time to do research | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| f. Access to graduate research assistants | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| g. Access to undergraduate research assistants | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| h. Departmental start-up funds | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| i. Departmental travel funds | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| j. Opportunities to pursue grants/serve as a PI | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| k. Other research related  *(specify*) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
| **Teaching related** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| l. Course load | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| m. Teaching assignments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| n. Other teaching related  (*specify*) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
| **Mentoring** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| o. Mentoring from peers in your department | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| p. Mentoring from senior faculty in your department | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| q. Mentoring from senior faculty outside your department but within your institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| r. Mentoring from senior faculty outside your institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| s. Other mentoring  *(specify)* | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |

C5. Please indicate your level of satisfaction with each of the following during the ADVANCE Fellowship period. *(Circle one for each row.)——Continued*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Very unsatisfied** | **Un-satisfied** | **Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied** | **Satisfied** | **Very Satisfied** | **Not applicable** |
| **Collaboration and professional development** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| u. Opportunities to collaborate with peers in your department | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| v. Opportunities to collaborate with senior faculty in your department | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| w. Opportunities to collaborate with senior faculty outside your department but within your institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| x. Opportunities to collaborate with senior faculty outside your institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| y. Opportunities for networking | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| z. Other opportunities for collaboration/professional development  (*specify*) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
| **Other** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| aa. Clarity of departmental and institutional policies and procedures | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| bb. Other *(specify)* | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |

C6. Please indicate how each of the following affected your ability to reach your desired goals during the ADVANCE Fellowship period. *(Circle one for each row.*)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Impeded consider-ably** | **Impeded somewhat** | **Neither impeded nor facilitated** | **Facilitated somewhat** | **Facilitated consider-ably** | **Not applicable** |
| a. Department or institute’s receptivity to you | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| b. Climate/culture of the department | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| c. Climate/culture of the institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| d. Alignment of your career goals with the goals of the department/institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| e. Fit between your research and broader departmental research agenda | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| f. Career advice from department chair | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| g. Career advice from colleagues | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| h. Hiring policies of institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| i. Hiring freeze at institution | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| j. Being the recipient of an ADVANCE Fellowship | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| k. Other *(specify)* | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |

C7. At the end of your ADVANCE Fellowship, what was your primary long-term employment goal? *(Circle only one*.)

a. To obtain a tenure-track faculty position in a STEM field 1

b. To obtain a non-tenure-track faculty position in a STEM field 2

c. To obtain a research appointment in a STEM field 3

d. To obtain a position in industry in a STEM field 4

e. To obtain a position in government in a STEM field 5

f. To obtain a position in the non-profit sector in a STEM field 6

g. Other *(specify)* 7

C8. Please use the checkboxes to indicate the numbers of the following professional activities and accomplishments in which you engaged during two time periods: 1) the period in which you held the ADVANCE Fellowship, and 2) the three-year period after completion of your Fellowship.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Activity/accomplishment** | **During Fellowship** | | | | | | **3 year period after Fellowship** | | | | | |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3–4 | 5–6 | 7+ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3–4 | 5–6 | 7+ |
| **Research publications** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a. Number of STEM research articles in refereed journals for which you are an author |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. Number of papers in STEM conference proceedings for which you are sole or a co-author |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. Number of book chapters for which you are an author |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. Number of books for which you are an author or editor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Funding** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. Number of proposals submitted for funding |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. Number of proposals funded/awarded |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Presentations** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| g. Number presentations at a STEM research conference |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| h. Number of presentations to government or community groups |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| i. Number of other presentations (*specify*) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Teaching** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| j. Number of distinct graduate-level STEM courses you taught |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| k. Number of distinct graduate-level STEM courses you taught that you had not taught before your Fellowship |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| l. Number of distinct undergraduate STEM courses you taught |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Patents** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| m. Number U.S. of patents for which you applied |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| n. Number of U.S. patents for which you were named as an inventor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

C8. Please use the checkboxes to indicate the numbers of the following professional activities and accomplishments in which you engaged during two time periods: 1) The period in which you held the ADVANCE Fellowship, and 2) the three-year period after completion of your Fellowship.—*Continued*

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Activity/accomplishment** | **During Fellowship** | | | | | | **3-year period after Fellowship** | | | | | |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3–4 | 5–6 | 7+ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3–4 | 5–6 | 7+ |
| **Mentoring** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| o. Number of graduate students you mentored who earned their master’s or doctorate degrees |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| p. Number of postdoctoral researchers mentored |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| q. Number of undergraduate researchers mentored |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Committees** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| r. Number of positions on departmental committees |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| s. Number of positions on university committees |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Other awards/accomplishments** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| t. (*specify)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

C9. Please provide the following information for all research awards for which you played or currently play a lead role (e.g., were/are the PI or co-PI or equivalent) **starting in the year in which you received your ADVANCE Fellowship through the present.**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Funding**  **source** | **Research topic** | **Role in project** | **Start date**  **(month/year)** | **Duration** | **Amount of funding** |
| a. |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. |  |  |  |  |  |
| g. |  |  |  |  |  |
| h. |  |  |  |  |  |
| i. |  |  |  |  |  |

## Section D. From the End of the ADVANCE Fellowship Until Today

*This section asks about your personal and professional circumstances* ***from the end of your ADVANCE Fellowship through the present****, as well as your assessment of the influence of having been a Fellow on your subsequent career path and professional growth.*

D1. What is your current employment status?

1. Employed 1
2. Not employed 2 **GO TO QD6**

D2. Which of the following best describes the type of position you currently hold as your principal job? *(Choose only one type of position, indicating whether or not it is in a STEM field. If applicable, use the checkboxes to indicate whether or not you are tenured and as of when.)*

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Type of position** | **STEM field?** | |  | **Are you tenured?** | | |
| **STEM** | **Non-STEM** | **Yes** | **No** | **If yes, what month/year?** |
| **Full time** |  |  |  |  |  |
| a. Full-time tenure-track faculty appointment | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| b. Full-time non-tenure-track faculty appointment | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| c. Full-time non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| d. Full-time academic administrative appointment | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| e. Full-time research appointment (including postdoctoral position) | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| f. Full-time position in industry | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| g. Full-time position in government | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| h. Full-time position in the non-profit sector. | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| i. Full-time other (*specify*) 7 | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Part time** |  |  |  |  |  |
| j. Part-time tenure-track faculty appointment | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| k. Part-time non-tenure-track faculty appointment | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| l. Part-time non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment |  |  |  |  |  |
| m. Part-time academic administrative appointment | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| n. Part-time research appointment (including postdoctoral position) | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| o. Part-time position in industry | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| p. Part-time position in government | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| q. Part-time position in the non-profit sector | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
| r. Part-time other (*specify*) | 1 | 2 |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

D3. If your main job is in academia, what is your current academic rank? *(Circle only one).*

1. Not applicable: no ranks designated at this institution 1
2. Not applicable: no ranks designated for my position 2
3. Professor 3
4. Associate Professor 4
5. Assistant Professor 5
6. Instructor 6
7. Lecturer 7
8. Other academic rank (*specify*) 8
9. My main job is not in academia 9

D4. How long have you held your current position? *(Circle only one.)*

1. Less than one year 1
2. One to three years 2
3. Three to five years 3

D5. Have you held your current position during the entire period since the end of the ADVANCE Fellowship?

1. Yes 1
2. No 2

D6. Please use the checkboxes to indicate the number of applications you submitted for each of the following **types of STEM positions since the end of your ADVANCE Fellowship.** *If you did not apply for a position, please mark 0.*

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Type of position** | **Number of applications** | | | |
| **0** | **1–2** | **3–4** | **5+** |
| a. Tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |  |  |
| b. Non-tenure-track faculty appointment |  |  |  |  |
| c. Non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment |  |  |  |  |
| d. Academic administrative appointment |  |  |  |  |
| e. Research appointment (including postdoctoral position) |  |  |  |  |
| f. Position in industry. |  |  |  |  |
| g. Position in government |  |  |  |  |
| h. Position in the non-profit sector |  |  |  |  |
| i. Other *(specify)* |  |  |  |  |

D7. For any of the positions referred to in question D6, did you receive any offers that you turned down?

a. Yes 1

b. No 2 **GO TO QD11**

D8. How many total offers in a **STEM field** did you turn down? *(Circle only one.*)

a. One or two 1

b. Three or four 2

c. Five or more 3

D9. Which type(s) of positions did you turn down? (*Circle all that apply.)*

1. Tenure-track faculty appointment 1
2. Non-tenure-track faculty appointment 2
3. Non-tenure-track term-limited faculty appointment 3
4. Academic administrative appointment 4
5. Research appointment (including postdoctoral position) 5
6. Position in industry. 6
7. Position in government 7
8. Position in the non-profit sector 8
9. Other *(specify)* 9

D10. What were your reason(s) for not accepting the offer(s)? *(Circle all that apply.)*

1. Position was not full time 1
2. Position was temporary 2
3. Position was not tenure track 3
4. Geographic location 4
5. Position did not offer desired research opportunities 5
6. Position did not offer desired teaching opportunities 6
7. Teaching load was too heavy 7
8. Position did not allow desired work/life balance 8
9. Position did not offer sufficient opportunity for advancement 9
10. Other (*specify*) 10

D11. Please indicate the extent to which the following circumstances have affected your STEM career advancement **since the end of your ADVANCE Fellowship.** *(Circle one for each row.)*

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Circumstance** | **Not  at all** | **Somewhat** | **To a great extent** |
| **Personal circumstances** |  |  |  |
| a. Caregiving for child(ren) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b. Caregiving for other family member(s) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c. Spouse or partner’s career | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d. Health | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e. Other personal *(specify*) |  | 2 | 3 |
| **Professional circumstances** |  |  |  |
| f. Unemployment | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g. Job search difficulties | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| h. Working outside area of research interest | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| i. Limited research opportunities | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| j. Equipment-related issues | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| k. Computer-related issues | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| l. Lab space-related issues | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| m. Lack of time to do research. o do research | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| n. Lack of funds to hire research assistants | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| o. Lack of funds to travel for research-related purposes | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| p. Lack of opportunities to collaborate | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| q. Lack of ability to independently pursue grants/ serve as a PI | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| r. Lack of mentoring support | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| s. Teaching-related issues (heavy teaching load, not able to teach desired courses) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| t. Advising commitments | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| u. Service-related issues (e.g., heavy committee service obligations) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| v. Limited opportunities for advancement | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| w. Non-supportive work climate | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| x. Other professional (*specify)* |  | 2 | 3 |

D12. Indicate the extent to which you have been able to realize the following professional and personal goals **since the end of your ADVANCE Fellowship.** *(Circle one for each row.)*

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Goal** | **Not at all** | **Somewhat** | **To a great extent** |
| **Research related** |  |  |  |
| a. Extend the line of research you were conducting at the time you applied for the ADVANCE Fellowship | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b. Restart a previous research program | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c. Pursue a new line or area of research | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d. Pursue a multi-disciplinary research program | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e. Other research related (*specify)* |  | 2 | 3 |
| **Teaching related** |  |  |  |
| f. Teach/advise graduate students | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g. Teach/advise undergraduate students | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| h. Teach advanced courses in your field | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| i. Develop a new course or courses | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| j. Other teaching related *(specify*) |  | 2 | 3 |
| **Personal** |  |  |  |
| k. Be able to live in the same place as spouse/ partner | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| l. Secure satisfactory career for yourself | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| m. Secure satisfactory career for your spouse/partner | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| n. Secure a position that would support desired work/life balance | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| o. Other personal *(specify*) |  | 2 | 3 |

D13. Please indicate the extent to which the ADVANCE Fellowship has contributed to your overall professional growth in each of the following areas*. (Circle one for each row.)*

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Area of Professional Growth** | **Not at all** | **Somewhat** | **To a great extent** |
| a. Building an independent research program | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| b. Creating a strong collaborative network with fellow STEM researchers | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c. Recruiting graduate students | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| d. Increasing your career satisfaction | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| e. Allowing you to remain in academia | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| f. Preparing you to obtain a tenure-track position | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| g. Preparing you to be a more effective teacher | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| h. Helping you get research published | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| i. Preparing you to assume leadership roles in professional associations | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| j. Preparing you to assume departmental or institution-wide leadership roles | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| k. Enhancing your professional reputation/visibility | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| l. Helping you succeed in your job | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| m. Enabling you to serve as a role model/mentor | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| n. Other (*specify*) |  | 2 | 3 |

D14. Overall, depending on your responses to question D13, what are the top three areas that most contributed to your professional growth?

**Area # 1:**

**Area # 2:**

**Area # 3**

D15. Please provide any additional information you deem relevant to helping us understand the influence of the ADVANCE Fellowship on your career.

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## Section E. Questions for Comparison Purposes

*Questions in this section of the survey refer to your status as of October 1, 2008. While we realize that this reference date is unusual, we need to ask the questions in this way to compare your responses as an ADVANCE Fellow to the 2008 data from NSF’s biannual Survey of Doctorate Recipients (SDR).*

E1. Were you working for pay or profit during the week of October 1, 2008? *(Working includes being self-employed, on a postdoctoral appointment, or on any type of paid or unpaid leave, including vacation. Circle your answer.)*

1. Yes 1
2. No 2 **GO TO QE17**

E2. During what month and year did you start this job (that is, the principal job you held during the week of October 1, 2008)?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Month** | |  | **Year** | | | |
| PRINCIPAL JOB STARTED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

E3. As of the week of October 1, 2008, what was your basic annual salary on your principal job, before deductions?

*Do not include bonuses, overtime, or additional compensation for summertime teaching or research.*

*If you were not salaried as of that week,* estimate your earned income, excluding business expenses.

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| **ANNUAL SALARY OR EARNED INCOME** | | | | | | | |

E4. Was this salary for the job you held on October 1, 2008, based on a 52-week year or less than that? *Include paid vacation and sick leave.*

1. 52-week year 1
2. Less than 52 weeks 2

(NUMBER OF WEEKS PER YEAR \_\_\_\_\_\_)

E5. During a typical week on your principal job, how many hours did you work?

NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED PER WEEK\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E6. Which one of the following best describes your principal employer during the week of October 1, 2008? Were you… *(Circle one answer.)*

**SELF-EMPLOYED or a BUSINESS OWNER**

a. In a non-incorporated business, professional practice, or farm 1

b. In an incorporated business, professional practice, or farm 2

**PRIVATE SECTOR employee**

c. In a for-profit company or organization 3

d. In a non-profit organization (including tax-exempt and   
charitable organizations) 4

**GOVERNMENT employee**

e. In a local government (e.g., city, county, school district) 5

f. In a state government (including state colleges/universities) 6

g. In the U.S. military service, active duty or Commissioned Corps   
(e.g., USPHS, NOAA) 7

h. In the U.S. government (e.g., civilian employee) 8

**OTHER type of employee**

i. Other *(specify type of employer)* 9

E7. Was your principal employer an educational institution?

1. Yes 1
2. No 2 **GO TO QE14**

E8. Was the educational institution where you worked a… *(Circle one answer.)*

1. Preschool, elementary, middle, or secondary school or system 1 **GO TO QE14**
2. Two-year college, community college, or technical institute 2
3. Four-year college or university, other than a medical school 3
4. Medical school (including university-affiliated hospital or   
   medical center) 4
5. University-affiliated research institute 5
6. Other *(specify)* 6

E9. During the week of October 1, 2008, what type of academic position(s) did you hold at this institution? *(Circle all that apply*.*)*

1. President, Provost, or Chancellor (any level) 1
2. Dean (any level), department head or chair 2
3. Research faculty, scientist, associate, or fellow 3
4. Teaching faculty 4
5. Adjunct faculty 5
6. Postdoc (e.g., postdoctoral fellow or associate) 6
7. Research assistant 7
8. Teaching assistant 8
9. Other *(specify)* 9

E10. What was your faculty rank? *(Circle one answer.)*

a. Not applicable: no ranks designated at this institution 1

b. Not applicable: no ranks designated for my position 2

c. Professor 3

d. Associate Professor 4

e. Assistant Professor 5

f. Instructor 6

g. Lecturer 7

h. Other *(specify)* 8

E11. What was your tenure status? *(Circle one answer.)*

1. Not applicable: no tenure system at this institution 1 **GO TO QE16**
2. Not applicable: no tenure system for my position 2 **GO TO QE16**
3. Tenured 3 **GO TO QE12**
4. On tenure track but not tenured 4 **GO TO QE12**
5. Not on tenure track 5 **GO TO QE16**

E12. When did you begin the tenure-track position you held on October 1, 2008?

**IF TENURED ON  
OCTOBER 1, 2008. GO TO QE13.   
IF NOT, GO TO QE16.**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Month** |  |  |  | **Year** |  |  |  |  |

E13. When did you receive tenure?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Month** |  |  |  | **Year** |  |  |  |  | **GO TO QE16** |

E14. What was the title of the principal job you held during the week of October 1, 2008?

*Examples: Laboratory scientist; high school physics teacher*

E15. What kind of work were you doing on this job—that is, what were your duties and responsibilities on your principal job? Please be as specific as possible, including any area of specialization.

*Examples: Supervising others in conducting bench research in microbiology; teaching AP physics to high school students*

E16. How would you rate your overall satisfaction with the principal job you held during the week of October 1, 2008? *(Circle one answer.)*

Very satisfied 1

Somewhat satisfied 2

Somewhat dissatisfied 3

Very dissatisfied 4

E17. Counting all jobs held in 2007, what was your total earned income for 2007, before deductions? (*Include all wages, salaries, bonuses, overtime, commissions, consulting fees, net income from businesses, summertime teaching or research, or other work associated with scholarships).*

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| **$** |  |  |  | **,** |  |  | **.00** |
| **EARNED INCOME** | | | | | | | |

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E18. As of the week of October 1, 2008, were you… (*Circle only one.)*

Married 1

Living in a marriage-like relationship 2

Widowed 3

Separated 4

Divorced 5

Never married 6

E19. As of the week of October 1, 2008, did you have any children living with you as part of your family?

1. Yes 1
2. No 2

## Section F. Closing

*Thank you so much for completing the survey. We appreciate the time you have taken to respond.*

F1. Please attach the most recent copy of your detailed **curriculum vitae** so that we may better understand your career experiences in the context of the ADVANCE Fellows program.

F2. Please provide your current email address and telephone number and indicate which is the best method of contact should we need to follow up to clarify responses. Once again, we wish to   
assure you that your responses and all materials you submit will be kept confidential and secure. Moreover, data will never be reported in a way that can be linked to you individually.

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| Email: |  | | |
| Telephone number: |  | |  |
|  | Area code | |  |
| Best method of contact: | |  | |

Thank you, once again, for your help in answering this survey.