



## Connect with Loeb Alumni

The Loeb Fellowship community includes a [worldwide network of Loeb Alumni](#) who maintain lifelong personal and professional relationships with each other, and with the Fellowship. As part of our commitment to supporting exceptional practitioners from diverse backgrounds and experiences across the globe, the Loeb Fellowship offers the opportunity to connect potential applicants to Loeb Alumni. This optional program is intended for interested applicants who want to get to know the Loeb Fellowship program and its impact, but who do not already have a connection to the Loeb Fellowship or the GSD.

Open to all potential applicants, this program is intended primarily for those from marginalized backgrounds, geographies, and experiences. First-generation, low-income applicants, racial and ethnic minorities, and applicants with non-traditional educational backgrounds or unusual career paths are particularly encouraged to participate if they so wish.

Interested applicants will be connected with volunteer Loeb Alumni, who will answer relevant questions about the Fellowship experience and broadly discuss approaches to Loeb Fellowship applications. Loeb Alumni will reach out to applicants via e-mail, to then offer a minimum of two (2) phone or videoconference calls, each between 45 minutes to 1 hour in length.

During these conversations, Loeb Alumni will talk through applicants' interests and intentions for their Fellowship year, and share their own experiences, in order to help applicants focus their thinking on how to represent themselves and their work in preparation for applying. Please note that Loeb Alumni will not line edit application materials, and Alumni do not have conclusive insight into the selection process.

Connecting with Loeb Alumni is not a requirement for application to the Loeb Fellowship, and participation will not influence or impact the admissions and selection process. It is entirely optional, and is intended to provide an additional point of access to and information about the Loeb Fellowship and our Alumni network, for those who are interested in getting to know us better. You can also learn more about our Alumni through our searchable online [Alumni Database](#).

Participating Loeb Alumni are not involved in the admission or selection process. Please keep in mind that Alumni are volunteering their time to supplement other support candidates should seek within their own personal and professional networks in preparing to apply for the Loeb Fellowship.

To participate or for additional information, please send an e-mail to [loebconnect@gsd.harvard.edu](mailto:loebconnect@gsd.harvard.edu). If you are planning to apply for the Class of 2022, please request participation by December 18, 2020 in advance of the January 11, 2021 application deadline.