

# Higher Ed Leader Fellowship

## About the Fellowship

### Transforming Education Through Innovation and Leadership

The Google & GSV Higher Ed Leader Fellowship convenes the world's most visionary higher education leaders as architects of institutional transformation. The Fellowship invests in bold, mission-driven leaders while cultivating a lifelong, global community committed to collaboration, innovation, and impact.

Grounded in mastery of Google's most transformative technologies, from Gemini to the broader Google ecosystem, Fellows gain the strategic fluency needed to navigate a rapidly evolving workforce and learning landscape. The Fellowship embeds these technologies into the heart of institutional strategy to ensure the AI era fortifies the resilience, relevance, and public mission of the world's most forward-thinking colleges and universities, and the modern learners they serve.

### Program Overview

- **Mission:** To cultivate a global community of higher education leaders who leverage Google technology to develop visionary thought leadership and master digital skills that drive measurable impact and institutional transformation.
- **Value:** This Fellowship is a high-velocity incubator that moves beyond abstract inquiry to equip leaders with the technical mastery and global network required to architect institutional transformation. Through this journey, you will experience:
  - a. **Problem-Solving Focus:** Every session is a strategic lab dedicated to accelerating your real-world, institution-wide Transformational Opportunity (TO).
  - b. **Global & Cross-Regional Connections:** Engage in a "Global Brain" of thought partnership, swapping high-impact strategies with senior peers across international borders.
  - c. **Knowledge, Skills, & Tools:** Move from "what if" to "what's next" by mastering the transformative Gemini tools within the Google ecosystem.
  - d. **Seeing Around the Corner:** Build the strategic fluency to navigate a rapidly evolving workforce landscape and anticipate the long-term shifts of the AI era.

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- **The Transformational Opportunity:** Every Fellow develops a high-impact, system-wide project to be implemented at their own college or university. This experience will support leaders to solve institutional challenges, such as:
  - a. Integrating AI (Gemini) with faculty and students
  - b. Addressing declining enrollment
  - c. Advancing digital transformation

### Fellow Benefits

- **Strategic Fluency:** Gain the skills to navigate the rapidly evolving workforce and AI landscape.
- **Leader Networking:** Engage in collaborative problem-solving with a global cohort of change agents.
- **Professional Development:** Exclusive access to seminars and early Google for Education feature roadmaps.
- **Gain Technical Mastery and Drive Instructional Impact:** Move from "what if" to "what's next" by mastering the transformative Google ecosystem to drive impact at your university. You will leverage Google technology and meaningful peer exchange to accelerate innovative, system-level instructional change.
- **Implement a High-Impact, System-Wide Project:** Every Fellow develops and implements a "Transformational Opportunity" (TO)—a high-impact, system-wide project to be solved within their own K–12 education system. The program acts as a year-long incubator where you translate theoretical ideas into a concrete, actionable plan and refine the approach to scale impact across the broader system and community.
- **Showcase Opportunities:** Present your final capstone project at a virtual showcase with a global option such as ASU+GSV and Bett conference.

### The Fellowship Experience

The program functions as a year-long incubator with three distinct phases:

1. **Phase 1 - Identify:** Pinpoint a specific "Transformational Opportunity (Problem of Practice)" within your local educational context.
2. **Phase 2 - Build:** Translate theoretical ideas into a concrete, actionable plan using cutting-edge technology and mentorship.
3. **Phase 3 - Scale:** Implement and evaluate your project, refining the approach to scale impact across the broader community.



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### Who is GSV?

GSV is a global learning and workforce innovation platform committed to the belief that all people deserve equal access to the future. Through the ASU+GSV Summit powered by Hyve & Bett, GSV convenes educators, technologists, entrepreneurs, investors, philanthropic leaders, and policymakers to advance innovative solutions that improve learning and increase opportunity at scale—and, in joining forces with Bett, GSV has expanded their global reach to a community of 100,000+ attendees annually across 4 continents, spanning 130+ countries and 70+ ministries of education.

### Who is Google For Education?

Google for Education provides innovative technology and strategic support to help students and educators navigate a digital-first world. By offering powerful AI tools and a collaborative ecosystem, they empower visionary leaders to drive institutional transformation and prepare learners for the future workforce. Through exclusive access to emerging technologies and a global network of experts, Google for Education helps institutions integrate meaningful digital solutions to enhance teaching and learning outcomes.

### Why are Google and GSV partnering for this fellowship?

Google for Education and GSV have joined forces to empower higher education leaders as architects of institutional transformation. By bridging Google's cutting-edge AI ecosystem with GSV's global community of innovators, this partnership serves as a strategic catalyst for solving academia's most pressing challenges. Together, they equip senior leaders with the technical mastery and peer-to-peer insights necessary to navigate an evolving workforce landscape and lead meaningful digital transformation across their institutions.

### Application Details

- **Target Audience:** Executive-level leaders with institutional or college-wide decision-making authority.
- **Process:** For 2026-27, admission is currently **by joint invitation from Google and GSV.**

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- **Requirements:** Fellows must commit to attending all six virtual events, a two-day in-person event, publish a chapter in the Digital Lookbook about their transformational opportunity, and cover all travel, lodging, and other related expenses for in-person gatherings.

### Meet The GSV and Google Education Teams



### Meet your Google | GSV Team



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