

Google Cloud Research Innovators Program

Join a global community of researchers driving scientific breakthroughs with Google Cloud

The [Research Innovators program](#) exists to support breakthrough researchers using Google Cloud to solve the impossible. Apply to join our cohort of global experts to collaborate with peers across various scientific domains, create real world solutions, open source projects, and receive expanded support from Google as well as exclusive access to Google programs and technical resources.

Our current cohort is using Google Cloud's solution to tackle urgent social issues and scientific challenges including [Teodora Szaz's work](#) on identifying gender bias in children's books and Tapio Schneider's work to improve large-scale Earth system models with his team's [Climate Machine](#) among other researchers. Now in its second year, the Research Innovators program will offer specialized tracks in **social sciences, life sciences, physical sciences and computer sciences** to further fuel innovation and provide more targeted networking opportunities.

Program Perks

Expand network and exposure	Professional development	Exclusive access
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meet potential collaborators and future colleagues• 1:1 technical support from Google engineers• Get invitations to speak at technical conferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Special training days at events like Google I/O, NEXT, and Cloud Summits• Complimentary access to Google Cloud Kickstart program• Monthly office hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Early access to new product features• Access to Google Cloud events and summits• Support from Google developers• Program swag and gear

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Possible feature in videos, case studies, blog posts, and other research resources• Letters of support for funding applications• PR & media, if applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One free Google Cloud certification exam• Additional Google Cloud academic research credits• Influence development of new programs (i.e research learning paths and other programs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expert badge
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How to apply

We're seeking researchers who exhibit strong knowledge and use of Google Cloud in their work as evidenced in their resume, and support from institution leadership.

[Apply Today](#)

Follow our application checklist.

- Online application:** Submit the online application form with resume/CV.
- Release forms:** Acknowledge the program terms, submit letter of support, sign NDA and marketing release.

Eligibility Criteria

- Researcher at government lab, academic institution or nonprofit
- At least 40% of time in a professional research capacity including: faculty, PhD candidate, postdoc research, or a PI/research lead in an [approved country](#)
- Complete short Google form



- Provide examples of journals, blogs, publications, presentations and/or projects referencing your work on Google Cloud or GitHub.
- Demonstrate proficient usage + expertise in Google Cloud products
- Agree to participate in the community and attend 1 meeting per month, participation may include:
 - Speaking engagements
 - Presenting local workshops or meetups
 - Blogging/social media
 - Mentoring others
 - Providing a case study/testimonial
 - Contributing to open source projects
 - Willing to speak with researchers evaluating to use Google Cloud

Getting started in the program

You'll receive information on the program including resources to get you started. To be successful, in this program we recommend regular participation. An active community that reaches others in a multitude of ways beyond the program is a recipe for success.

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