## NEXT GENERATION LEADERS



The purpose of the Next Generation Leaders Program at the Allen Institute for Brain Science is twofold: to recognize outstanding and innovative contributions from emerging scientific leaders at early stages of their careers; and to foster professional development by providing opportunities and informal training on how to serve as scientific advisors. The Next Generation Leaders will gain experience with the model of collaborative team science embraced at the Institute, and serve as Institute ambassadors with academic and industry colleagues.

## **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Attend the annual Showcase Symposium, to be held December 2-3, 2015, in Seattle, Wash.
- In the first year of serving on the Council, give a presentation on current research at the Showcase Symposium.
- Provide feedback in an interactive format with other council members on research programs at the Allen Institute on the morning following the Showcase Symposium.
- · Attend one additional Allen Institute project advisory council meeting per year, intended to provide an opportunity to gain experience serving on and participating in an advisory council with senior scientists from across the world.
- Throughout the year network with Allen Institute scientists and serve as ambassadors for the Institute.

## PROGRAM DETAILS

- All Next Generation Leaders will serve a three-year term.
- All travel expenses and a small annual honorarium will be paid.
- Up to six Next Generation Leaders will be appointed each year, for a total of 18 members in 2016 and beyond.

## QUALIFICATIONS AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Applicants are required to have: (1) a PhD in any basic scientific, biomedical or technological field; (2) a current position as a post-doctoral researcher, or as an Assistant Professor appointed within the previous 2 years (or the equivalent level in industry); (3) a strong publication record; and (4) a passion for understanding the complex problems facing brain research today.
- Interested participants must send the following to apply: (1) letter from the applicant describing research accomplishments and the impact the applicant hopes to have in the neuroscience field over the next 10 years (1-2 pages), including a 2-3 sentence lay summary; (2) curriculum vitae; and (3) letter of support submitted directly from the applicant's PI, department chair, dean or equivalent, addressing the applicant's innovative work, potential and ability to bridge disciplines. Additional letters of support are welcome.
- Applications are due June 3, 2015, and should be sent in PDF format to: NextGen@alleninstitute.org

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