

## **CADRE Fellows Application Guidelines**

## **Personal Statement Guidelines**

Each applicant must submit a personal statement. This is your opportunity to help reviewers better understand your academic and career objectives, research interests, and your potential to contribute to the field of STEM education research.

In your personal statement, please address the following:

- Your career pathway that led you to your current position, and your short-term and long-term professional goals;
- Your research interests, their connection to your academic and professional goals, and why they are important to the field of STEM education research;
- How your research interests and professional goals contribute to broadening participation in PreK-12 STEM education and in the field of STEM education research; and
- Your reasons for applying, what you hope to get out of the program, and how the program can contribute to your professional goals.

The statement should be 2-3 pages in length. Single spaced. Please use 12pt Times New Roman font for ease of reading, and include your name at the top of each page. Word or PDF format preferred.

## **Letter of Recommendation Guidelines**

The letter of recommendation must come from the PI or Co-PI of an active DRK-12 project and speak to the quality of the applicant's work and their potential in the field of STEM education research.

In your letter of recommendation, please address the following:

- How long you have known the applicant and in what context;
- Evidence of leadership and academic and professional past success and future potential, including examples of the applicant's work that are particularly noteworthy;
- The applicant's desire and capacity to advance the field and contribute to broadening participation in PreK-12 STEM education and in the field of STEM education research; and
- How the applicant could benefit from AND contribute to the CADRE Fellows program.

The letter should be 1-2 pages in length. Single spaced. Please use 12pt Times New Roman font for ease of reading. Word or PDF format preferred.