

“And we made from water every living thing.”

وَجَعَلْنَا مِنَ الْمَاءِ الْحَيِّ حَيَاةً

IBK  **Ibn Khaldun Fellowship
for Saudi Arabian Women**



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The MIT Ibn Khaldun Fellowship for Saudi Arabian Women is an outreach program aimed at providing Saudi Arabian women with PhDs, primarily in science and engineering, the opportunity to gain hands-on research experience at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), one of the world's leading research universities.

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Ibn Khaldun Fellowship

The goal of the Fellowship is to expose Saudi Arabian women scholars to MIT's world-class research, teaching, and business practices and to promote collaboration between the MIT and Saudi research communities. The Ibn Khaldun fellow will gain skills to help her, her students, and her colleagues to be leaders as the Kingdom increases the participation of women in the economy and in global scientific research. To date, fellows have published more than 50 journal and conference publications based on their research at MIT, as well as filing several US patents.

Universities/companies may see many benefits such as:

- Networking for future collaborations
- New teaching skills for faculty
- Building of additional employee research capabilities
- Possible publication with MIT faculty
- Employee/faculty advancement
- New programs/classes/management ideas

Ibn Khaldun fellows will spend one year in a full-time capacity at MIT conducting research in collaboration with an MIT faculty member and his or her research group. Research topics are wide-ranging and at the discretion of the fellow and her MIT advisor. She will have access to MIT's world-class laboratories and resources to conduct hands-on research. In addition, technical and professional development courses are available to supplement research activities.

Each fellow will receive the following monetary benefits:

- Annual stipend of USD \$65,000
- Miscellaneous program expenses such as health insurance, travel expenses, etc. not to exceed \$22,500 per year

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Selection Criteria

The fellowship is merit-based and is awarded only to the most qualified applicants. In selecting finalists, the review panel is looking for a proven research capability, including publications, and evidence of the ability to succeed within the MIT research environment. Applicants should be working in a field in which MIT faculty have current research to facilitate placement within a research group. Applicants also must meet these criteria:

- Be a woman who is a Saudi Arabian citizen
- Hold a PhD in a related field
- Have an excellent command of spoken and written English
- Have a demonstrated ability to conduct research
- Have at least two publications in peer-reviewed journals

How to Apply

- Submit an application online by 1 December 2018 via the program website application page: <http://ibk.mit.edu/application>
- Application materials to include:
 - 1.) Current CV
 - 2.) Recommendation letter from a person who can speak to the applicant's research quality
 - 3.) Copy of the candidate's most significant publication

Admission Process

- Application deadline for Sept. 2019-Aug. 2020 enrollment is **1 December 2018**
- KACST screens all applicants to ensure they meet the minimum criteria and then forwards the shortlisted applications to MIT by 31 December 2018
- MIT reviews the shortlisted applications, conducts video conference interviews, and selects fellows for admission no later than 28 February 2019
- Selected fellows must acquire final university approval letter for fellowship leave no later than 1 June 2019
- MIT works to pair each fellow with a faculty advisor and start the appointment/US visa process no later than 1 June 2019