



420 Lexington Ave, Suite 331, New York, NY 10170

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH                      /    /  
    mo   day   year

Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in optional)

Preferred Gender Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_ (Fill in blank) *optional*

**ADDRESS**

Street, Apt #, P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Country (if other than the United States) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS 2 of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ BEST TIMES TO CALL \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT 1/ GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT 1/ GUARDIAN EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT 2/ GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT 2/ GUARDIAN EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if your school is:

Public (Pub)	
Private/Not Jewishly affiliated (PR)	
Private/Jewishly affiliated (PRJ)	

Please list the First Name, Last Name and Email addresses of your two recommenders. We have found the best recommendations are written by people who personally know the applicant well. It is not necessary for the recommender to address your Jewish story.

Recommender 1- \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Recommender 2- \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER	<input type="checkbox"/>
A LEADER OF AN ORGANIZATION IN WHICH THE APPLICANT IS ACTIVE	<input type="checkbox"/>
ANYONE WHO KNOWS APPLICANT WELL (EXCEPT A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY)	<input type="checkbox"/>
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	<input type="checkbox"/>
TEACHER	<input type="checkbox"/>

## THE BRONFMAN FELLOWSHIP

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**Junior Year classes****List up-to 5 classes you're enrolled in this semester**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**List current non-academic activities**

These can include activities in school and outside of school, including interests, hobbies and intellectual pursuits you dedicate significant time to. Please include any part-time job you may have had in the past year or two. List up to five.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Elaborate on current non-academic activities**

Elaborate on one of the non-academic activities you listed above and why it is important to you. (Please limit to 100 words total).

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**List three works that have made an impact on you.**

List three works that have made an impact on you. At least one should be a book. For each piece chosen, please describe how/why it has impacted you. At least one should be a great work that has left an intellectual impression on you. Please do not list children's or young adult literature (We love YA and children's books/movies as much as anyone else - #potterheads4life - but please tell us about other works you've enjoyed!). In the past, applicants have chosen books, films, music, podcasts, poems, visual art, special sites, and more. (Please limit to 250 words total)

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What is one "big idea" or question (e.g. philosophical question/socio-political issue/scientific concept) that you would like to explore more deeply. Why does it interest to you? (Please limit to 100 words total)

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**Video Question:** Please share a link to a video (under 1 minute) of yourself telling us about something you do that energizes you. A meaningful background/setting not required but totally welcome. Please do not use professional equipment, or special effects. Keep editing to a minimum and do not read from a script. If you choose to show a talent, please talk about it as well. You can use a

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*smartphone, laptop or tablet to record. Before posting the link to the video, please make sure we can hear and see you.*

**In one sentence, please summarize the topic of your video.** \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL ESSAYS**

**In 200 words or less, describe your relationship to being Jewish**

Please keep in mind that The Bronfman Fellowship is looking for a diverse group of Fellows, including both those who are and are not active in or affiliated with the Jewish community. Note we are most interested in your perspectives and views.

**In 200 words or less, please tell us a story about yourself that gives us insight into how you think and who you are, which might otherwise not be apparent in your application.**

Sample Application -- Do Not Complete

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**Background Information\***

**The following set of questions provides data that informs our understanding of the diversity of our applicants. There are no better or worse responses to the answers below - we just want to get to know you better.**

**Since high school, have you participated in any Jewish enrichment programs or similar? Note that previous participation is not a prerequisite for The Bronfman Fellowship.**

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Please indicate the name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of any Jewish youth movement? Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended a Jewish summer camp? Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, for how many years did you attend camp? \_\_\_\_\_

What year was your last summer at camp? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended a Jewish Day School? (not counting anything before kindergarten) \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what grades? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you part of an interfaith family? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Did one of your parents convert to Judaism? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Have you had a Bar or Bat Mitzvah? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Have you been to Israel before? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If yes, how many times? \_\_\_\_\_

For what purpose, when, and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any relatives who were Bronfman Fellows? If yes, please share their name(s) here

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**Which of the following best describes your affiliation?**

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| _____ Just Jewish             | _____ Secularly/Culturally Jewish |
| _____ Reconstructionist       | _____ Reform                      |
| _____ Chabad                  | _____ Liberal Orthodox            |
| _____ Conservative            | _____ Modern Orthodox             |
| _____ Traditional Egalitarian | _____ Ultra-Orthodox              |
| _____ Reform                  | _____ Elaborate, if necessary:    |

If you or your parents were born in another country, please list the country/countries and the person/people born there.

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NOTE: There are many wonderful Jewish programs that work with teens and college students. Programs (mostly pay-as-you-go programs) contact us each year to connect with people who have applied for The Bronfman Fellowship and who might be interested in them. Some of these programs also offer discounts for applicants to The Bronfman Fellowship. The Bronfman Fellowship does not receive any compensation from these programs. Please indicate below if you give us permission to share your contact information with these Jewish summer programs and opportunities.

I am interested in hearing about other Jewish programs.

**Reminder:**

Two letters of recommendation and your high school transcript\* (through grade 10 only) are to be submitted. One recommender must be a teacher. The other can be any non-relative who knows you well (including another school professional, Rabbi, employer, etc.) **Deadline for receipt of application and request for letters of recommendation and transcripts: December 5, 2022. Deadline for receipt of letters of recommendation and transcript: December 7, 2022.**

Finalists will be notified in **mid-January 2023**. Interviews for Finalists will take place **late January through February 2023**. Fellows will be notified of acceptance **in early March 2023**.

If you have any questions, please contact The Bronfman Fellowship's administrative office at 518-660-3090.

*\*We request academic transcripts to learn about an applicant's academic pursuits and course load. However, we do not believe that grades and GPA reflect a candidate's sophistication of thought, character, or the ability to contribute to and benefit from the Fellowship. Far more important (and interesting) are the personal essays and letters of recommendation, which offer a platform for applicants to tell their stories, express their unique interests, and describe their relationship to community. We further understand that due to educational disruptions caused by COVID-19 that grades for the last academic year may have been adversely affected. This will not affect your candidacy for the Fellowship.*