



## 1. What is the Access Fellowship Programme?

The Access Fellowship Programme (AFP) is a comprehensive 6-week programme aimed at providing educational and professional opportunities to talented tertiary students.

## 2. What is the purpose of the Access Fellowship Programme?

The AFP aims to provide vital support and guidance to tertiary students, who are either on a bursary or financial assistance scheme, or from a lower-income household, to enhance their chances of success in their studies and future careers.

The AFP connects students with industry professionals who will provide mentorship and guidance as participants build the skills, resources and networks necessary to achieve their personal and professional goals. By increasing the employability of students from diverse backgrounds, Access seeks to advance social mobility in Singapore and support the development of a more equitable society.

## 3. What is the recruitment process like?

There will be an open call through an online marketing campaign, as well as through Institutes of Higher Learning (IHLs), with e-blasts to students in their respective Institutions.

Fellows will be identified through a value-driven selection process. The application starts with submitting a form, consisting of short questions to understand applicants'

- (i) interests and aspirations,
- (ii) past experiences, and
- (iii) what they hope to learn from the programme.

Applicants will be asked to upload any documentation of their past work to support their responses. Shortlisted applicants will be scheduled for virtual or in-person group interviews with an Access staff member. Applicants who pass both screening tests will be cordially confirmed for the programme via email.



## 4. How many students will the programme impact?

The programme aims to impact up to 90 Fellows and 20 Ad-Hoc Masterclass Attendees.



## 5. How is this year's programme different from last year's?

In its third iteration, the AFP 2026 offers a more intensive and rigorous programme, with six sessions over two months, instead of six months.

Students can also apply to be either a Fellow or an Ad-hoc Masterclass Attendee. This approach ensures that students can participate in ways that best suit their learning goals, schedules, and professional aspirations.

## 6. Are there any costs that Fellows will need to bear?

Due to the generous support of our principal sponsor, SHEIN, the programme will be fully-funded, and Fellows will not need to make any payments in order to participate in the programme.



## 7. Should I apply to be a Fellow or an Ad-hoc Masterclass Attendee?

This decision depends on a student's availability, commitment and interests.

Fellows must commit to all 6 sessions, while Ad-hoc Masterclass Attendees only attend individual open-registration masterclasses based on their specific interests.

Fellows will benefit from (i) Mentors' guidance, (ii) extensive networking opportunities, (iii) the experience of real-world problem-solving in the industry-curated capstone project, and (iv) masterclasses. Upon completion of the programme, Fellows will graduate into the Access Alumni Network (AAN) for continued professional growth. This track is designed for individuals seeking an immersive, in-depth experience and ongoing development.

On the other hand, Masterclass Ad-hoc Attendees have the flexibility to attend individual, open-registration masterclasses based on their specific interests. This option is ideal for those who prefer targeted, flexible learning without the commitment of a full programme.





## 8. What is the commitment level for participants?

To successfully graduate from the AFP, Fellows must have:

Attended at least five out of six sessions; Completed the Capstone Project;  
Completed the Final Presentation; and completed a resume and LinkedIn profile.

All six sessions are held from 1pm to 6pm at The Trampoline by ACCESS @

\*SCAPE in Somerset, and the total programme commitment is at least 24 hours over the two months.

## 9. Who are the organisational partners that will be participating?

Mid- to senior-level professionals from a range of industries will be involved as Mentors and Masterclass Instructors. These professionals come from organisations such as Constellar, EY, Friendzone, LinkedIn, Schneider Electric, Singapore Fashion Council, SUTD Impact Consulting, and various Public Service agencies (e.g. MSF, MOE, MOF, MCCY).

## 10. What is the Capstone Project and Final Presentation?

The Capstone Project is the main product that Fellows will work on with their mentors and complete by the end of the AFP. Each organisational partner will provide a capstone topic to guide Fellows in the ideation of their Capstone Project.

The Capstone Project will be self-directed by the Fellows, with frequent opportunities for feedback throughout the duration of the AFP. Fellows will also be provided with dedicated Capstone Project time where they will work, in collaboration with their Mentors and teammates, to refine their ideas and proposals.

The Final Presentation, held in the final week of AFP, provides Fellows with the opportunity to present their Capstone Projects to senior management from our corporate and public service partners, while also connecting and networking with the wider cohort.