

AQE Student Fellowship

Application Pack 2026/7



**Association for
Quality Economics**

AQE is a membership body supporting the economics discipline to better meet the needs of students, academics and society.



AQE centres student voice

in everything it does. Student needs and priorities should be reflected in economics to maintain relevance and **futureproof the discipline.**

AQE fosters collaboration

by bringing together students, academics and industry to support learning, knowledge and resource exchange and **the shaping of the discipline.**

AQE provides opportunities

including networking, educational resources and mentorship, to **support student and academic development, boost graduate employment and create a community** that is helping economics meet the moment.

AQE ensures quality

by supporting the economics discipline to be the best it can through teaching, learning and careers that truly meets the challenges of a changing world. This includes supporting courses to use **the QAA subject benchmark standards** for economics and to **embed sustainability and promote diversity** in schools of thought as well as in the student and academic body. Members can contribute to the development of a new accreditation for economics courses and related modules.

Introducing AQE Student Fellowships



AQE is looking to award **its first cohort of student fellows**. Fellows will be current undergraduate or postgraduate students within the discipline of economics or related degrees who are **committed to using the discipline to create a fairer, more sustainable world**. **Student fellows will play an active role in the development of AQE and the design of the fellowship in following years**. AQE will **celebrate and recognise** student fellows at events and in online resources.

3

student fellows

1

year fellowship

2

years of free AQE
membership

£100

stipend to attend AQE
launch on 21st April in
London



“As an economics student, we get very little say on the education we receive, and AQE aims to change that. I support the project because I think it is time for us to learn about the issues that are affecting our every day realities like climate breakdown and inequality.”



Shloka Murarka, Economics master's student and AQE Advisory Board member

Why become a student fellow?



Gain hands on experience shaping the economics discipline for the better through feeding into the development of AQE

Gain professional experience in economics by **shadowing economists at the New Economics Foundation** and connecting with employers

Publish your ideas and research with **editorial support** from economists at the New Economics Foundation

Develop strong sustainability skills and an **understanding of the wider education system** **by shadowing Students Organising for Sustainability**

Access free membership to the AQE including **all benefits** for two years

Engage with eminent economists and expand your network

£100 stipend to support **travel to high level AQE launch in London**



“I joined AQE because it’s student-led, future-focused, and committed to reimagining economics education for a fairer, more sustainable world.”

Denise Hawkes, Professor of Economics Education at King's Business School and Chair of the Education and Training Committee at the Royal Economic Society



What are we looking for?



Required

Current undergraduate and/or postgraduate students looking to shape the economics discipline

An interest in pluralism in economics

A commitment to sustainability and justice and an understanding of current inequalities and issues within economics

Strong written and verbal communication skills

Desirable

Understanding of the economics discipline and the key organisations and stakeholders

Some experience the charity sector in a paid or voluntary capacity



“AQE is about creating an economics discipline we can all be proud of and which is helping create the best possible future.”

Lauren Roberts-Turner, Economics graduate and AQE coordinator



AQE Launch – 21st April



All AQE Student Fellows will be invited to join the AQE launch on 21st April, taking place in Westminster, London. Students will receive a £100 stipend to facilitate attendance.

The launch will include a panel chaired by Yuan Yang MP and other high-level speakers followed by a reception.

This is a great opportunity to meet key figures within the economics discipline and sector.

Apply using our [application form](#) by 11:59pm 13th April, 2026. You will hear back by 15th April.

Enquiries?

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