



# BECOME A DATA FELLOW



## USE YOUR DATA SKILLS FOR GOOD

The Strategic Data Project (SDP), an initiative of the Center for Education Policy Research at Harvard University, helps education system leaders use data and evidence in their strategic decision-making. The SDP Fellowship program provides a unique entry point for passionate quantitative researchers and data strategists who want to put their skills to work to improve public education. SDP Fellows are placed as full-time employees directly within PK12 and postsecondary education systems and organizations across the country where they can make a difference.



## LEAD WITH DATA

Over the course of the two-year fellowship, you will work with senior education leaders to carry out analytic, policy-oriented projects that aim to improve outcomes for students.

## GROW YOUR SKILLS

Participate in a tailored curriculum in measurement, analysis, leadership, and education policy delivered by Harvard-affiliated researchers and practitioners.



## BUILD YOUR NETWORK

Join a powerful, growing community of forward-thinking data advocates and leaders in more than 35 states and 200+ education organizations.

**“This fellowship opened up a new horizon for me and guided me to this new career path. I also got to know a group of people who are all passionate about education and data-use, like me.”**

*-SDP Fellow Alum*

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## SELECT PAST PLACEMENTS

Atlanta Public Schools

American Indian  
Higher Education  
Consortium

California State  
University Educator  
Quality Center

Central Falls School  
District

Impact Tulsa

Oregon Department of  
Education

Rhode Island  
Department of  
Education

Tennessee Depart-  
ment of Education

Texas Education  
Agency

The Bill & Melinda  
Gates Foundation

Urban Teachers



## MAKE YOUR NEXT CAREER MOVE COUNT

SDP Fellows are placed in full-time roles at host agencies including school districts, charter management organizations, state education departments, foundations, postsecondary systems, and education nonprofits.

As a fellow, you and your host agency will develop clear priorities and plans for using data and build organizational willingness to use data for decision-making.

Previous fellows have tackled projects across many focus areas, including:

- program evaluation
- data visualization
- early warning indicator systems
- data management and governance
- survey design and analysis
- data dashboards
- student pathways and postsecondary success
- teacher quality
- equitable opportunities for students

## GET STARTED ON YOUR PATH TOWARD IMPACT

SDP Fellows come from diverse professional backgrounds but share an interest in effecting change in education organizations and a commitment to making a difference in the lives of students.

SDP seeks candidates who possess:

- a strong background in applied quantitative analysis.
- an advanced degree (Master's level or higher).
- at least four years of relevant work experience.
- a demonstrated passion for education reform.
- a track record of collaboration, humility, and driving change.
- an entrepreneurial and innovative spirit.
- flexibility, adaptability, and persistence.
- the ability to communicate complex information to various audiences.

SDP Fellows earn a \$75,000–\$90,000 annual salary plus benefits.

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