Based on the inquiries our office has received, we have put together a list of FAQs that we hope will be useful for those planning on submitting nominations to the President’s Postdoctoral Scholars Program.

FAQs

Are currently appointed postdocs eligible for the PPSP?
Yes, faculty can nominate both incoming postdocs and postdocs already at Ohio State. Note that preference will be given to postdocs with less than 5 years of postdoctoral experience.

What is the timeline of the competition?
Deadline March 15, announcements mid-May, awards expected to start mid-August early September.

Can PPSP nominees teach or do clinical work?
These activities are not forbidden, but they need to be justified in the mentoring plan.

When do international postdocs have to show authorization to work in the US?
The award and the appointment are contingent upon obtaining the appropriate visa. Our timeline allows sufficient time for processing of J-1 visas. Fees associated with the visa will not be provided by the PPSP or the OPA.

Is the second year mandatory?
No. One year appointments are allowed.

Can the support letter from the Dean be from the Research Officer of the College?
Yes, a letter from an appropriate administrator from the Dean’s office is sufficient.

Can Assistant Professors nominate someone?
No. Faculty need to be tenured in order to nominate a postdoc.

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