

Stone Program in Wealth Distribution, Inequality, and Social Policy

Application Form | PhD Scholars AY 2026-2027

Part I: Biographical Information

Name _____
Last First Middle

PhD department _____ What will be your PhD year in Sept 2026? G- _____
(e.g., G-2 or G-3)

Gender _____ Preferred pronouns _____

Summary of research interests

Please summarize your central research interests in a line or two.

Does your research pertain to top-end income inequality or wealth concentration?

Half of the Stone PhD scholarships in Inequality and Wealth Concentration are specifically designated for Harvard PhD students whose research agenda encompasses questions on the causes and consequences of income and wealth inequality at the top of the distribution and policies and institutions to address these phenomena. If applicable, describe how your research relates to these issues and/or any previous work you have done in this area.

Academic information

Please list most recent institution first. You need only list principal institutions of enrollment, not exchange programs or summer coursework.

_____ college/university major field(s) degree program date received (mm/yy)

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Faculty members who will be providing a recommendation on your behalf

_____ Name Department

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Part II: Research statement (Submit as a separate document)

Please tell us about your interest in participating in the Stone Program in Wealth Distribution, Inequality, and Social Policy. Discuss your related academic work to date in this area and your research plans as a PhD Scholar in the program. Recommended length: 1000-1200 words. Please use single-spacing with an extra line space between paragraphs.

Tips: In general, the strongest applications outline a compelling research agenda, with a clear question or set of questions that might form the general basis for the student's empirical research paper in the Stone Inequality & Social Policy proseminar sequence. While faculty recognize that most applicants are still at an early stage in their work, applicants are advised to approach the statement much like a research proposal, outlining with as much specificity as possible why their interests constitute an important area of inquiry, what preliminary hypotheses or ideas they have, and how they might go about investigating them.

For expectations regarding your participation in the Proseminar on Inequality and Social Policy course sequence as a Stone PhD Scholar, please review the requirements of the fellowship at inequality.hks.harvard.edu/phd-training.

Any additional considerations

If there is additional information that you feel the selection committee should know, you may include it here.

Contact information

E-mail

All applicants will be notified of results via e-mail.

Monday Availability

During the three-semester sequence, I am available from 12:00pm to 3:30pm on Mondays to attend the Stone Inequality & Social Policy public seminar from 12:00pm to 1:15pm and the proseminar courses from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

Yes

No (If you check No, your application will not be considered.)

Part III: Existing Financial Support Information

- ☐ If your support consists of the standard six-year GSAS fellowship package, you may simply check this box. (That is, tuition and stipend for G1-G2 years; tuition and TF for G3-G4 years; tuition for G5 year; and tuition and dissertation completion fellowship for final year. This package may or may not include summer funding).
- ☐ If your graduate fellowship support does *not* correspond to the standard six-year GSAS package described above, or if you hold external fellowship resources, please identify these fellowships in the grid below. This would include students who hold either external awards (e.g., NSF, Soros, Ford, Truman) or Harvard fellowships covering additional stipend years. Please indicate anticipated G-years in which fellowships will be used and stipend amounts.

G-year	Tuition source	Stipend source	Stipend amount
G-1			
G-2			
G-3			
G-4			
G-5			
G-6			
G-7			

Certification

In selecting yes, I certify that the information presented in my application is accurate, complete, and honestly presented.

☐ No ☐ Yes _____ Name _____ Date

Authorization to verify financial support information

By checking this box, I authorize the Stone Program in Wealth Distribution, Inequality, and Social Policy to verify with my financial aid officer the financial support I receive from Harvard, including Harvard-administered grants and fellowships.

☐ No ☐ Yes