



TGI VISITING SCHOLAR PROGRAM

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY

NOMINATIONS ARE ACCEPTED ON A ROLLING BASIS

Questions or inquiries regarding this NOO can be directed to: TGI@slu.edu

TGI VISITING SCHOLAR OVERVIEW

The Taylor Geospatial Institute (TGI), the nation's leading academic center for geospatial science, is committed to making St. Louis a global center of excellence in geospatial science research, education, and innovation. The Institute is building a world-class, interdisciplinary geospatial science research collaborative to address scientific and societal grand challenges (e.g., food security, supply chain resilience, health equity, and national security). To achieve this goal, the Institute established the TGI Visiting Scholar program.

The purpose of the TGI Visiting Scholar program is to host diverse, engaged researchers and industry leaders from around the world to build strong partnerships between TGI institutions and researchers from academia, government, and industry. TGI Visiting Scholars, which may include graduate students, will make significant contributions to TGI's mission and vision.

TGI VISITING SCHOLAR BENEFITS

The benefits package for Visiting Scholars includes financial benefits up to \$30,000. The financial benefits will be dependent on the length of the visitor's stay. The funds can be used for travel, housing, stipend, honoraria, and/or other incidental expenses.

Additionally, the work of TGI Visiting Scholars will give exposure to consortium faculty, researchers, and students within the TGI network and provide the opportunity to build genuine connections and partnerships.

TGI VISITING SCHOLAR EXPECTATIONS

- Visiting Scholars are expected to be proactive champions for TGI within the geospatial industry and the geospatial ecosystem.
- Visiting Scholars are expected to participate in TGI's scholarly life which includes seminars, workshops, and lectures.
- Visiting Scholars are expected to help with proposal development and/or writing collaborative manuscripts.
- Visiting Scholars are expected to conduct research focusing on TGI's priorities and focus areas.
- Visiting Scholars are expected to be in residence at one of the TGI partner institutions.

TGI VISITING SCHOLAR APPOINTMENT PERIOD

TGI Visiting Scholars are appointed through a competitive evaluation process for a period of up to two months. In special circumstances (e.g., sabbatical leave or graduate study), they can be appointed for more than a two months' term depending on their contribution to advancing TGI's mission.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Nomination

Nominations can be made by any member of TGI Research Council or Governing Council. Self-nominations are also welcome. Nominations should include the name, CV, email address and phone number of the nominee and be submitted to the Institute Director via email to vasit.sagan@slu.edu with a copy to TGI@slu.edu.

Evaluation and appointment

The application review process will be managed by the TGI Research Council and Institute Director. The Research Council, or a working group designated by the Director, will review the applications and make recommendations to the Director on the nominations and the benefits packages. The Director will approve or reject the recommendation(s) and the Director will approve the final custom benefits package(s) based on the request and the shared priorities of TGI.

Required supporting application documents

Nominated candidates will be asked to submit the following documents as a single pdf attachment to vasit.sagan@slu.edu with a copy to TGI@slu.edu:

- 1) Cover letter from nominee describing how the candidate will contribute to TGI's mission – no more than two pages.
- 2) Resume or Curriculum Vitae of the candidate.
- 3) Requested benefits package including a budget and short budget justification.
- 4) Letter of support from the candidate's host faculty.

Application deadline

Nominations and applications are accepted on a rolling basis.