



A guide to preparing your application for the  
2017-2018 session of the 5280 Fellowship.

The 5280 Fellowship application process is competitive. This guide will help you organize and prepare all information needed to complete the online application. As a reminder, your application for the 2017-2018 session is due by 11:59 p.m. April 30, 2017.

The selection committee will offer admission to qualified applicants based on:

- Demonstration of a genuine Christian faith
- Ability to contribute to a diverse cohort from a variety of professional and ethnic backgrounds
- Demonstration of a humble, teachable heart and an ability to form meaningful relationships with other Fellows
- Commitment to the program for the prescribed nine-month period

Please keep these criteria in mind as you prepare the essay portions of the application.

The online application form will not permit you to submit an incomplete application.

A note about references

*After* your application is received, you will receive an email directing you to ask two references to fill out an online form. Once completed, these references will be added to your application file and considered by the selection committee. **Your application is not complete until two references are submitted. References must be received by the April 30 application deadline.**

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## Section 1 — The Basics

1. First Name
2. Last Name
3. Street Address 1 — Please provide your preferred mailing address.
4. Street Address 2
5. City

6. State
7. ZIP Code
8. Sex (multiple choice)
9. Ethnicity
10. Email
11. Phone Number
12. Birthdate
13. How did you hear about the 5280 Fellowship? – If a current or past Fellow recommended this program to you, please provide his/her name.

## **Section 2 — Education and Church Information**

14. Education Completed

*Multiple choice - High school, college or graduate school*

15. Your Home Church

16. Which church cohort is your first choice?

*Multiple choice – First Presbyterian Church (Boulder), Park Church (northwest Denver), Denver United Church (central Denver) or Fellowship Denver Church (south central Denver), or No preference. Weekly gatherings with a small cohort of 5280 Fellows will take place at a local church under the leadership of a designated staff person or faith and work practitioner. Please indicate which church cohort you prefer to be assigned to should you be admitted as a Fellow. If your local church is not listed as an option, you may want to choose a church with a location that is convenient for your commute.*

17. Which church cohort is your second choice?

*Please indicate your second choice cohort. Multiple choice – First Presbyterian Church (Boulder), Park Church (northwest Denver), Denver United Church (central Denver) or Fellowship Denver Church (south central Denver), or No preference.*

18. Which nights of the week (6:38-8 p.m.) are you available for the cohort discussion group?

*Multiple choice – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Make two or more selections, please.*

## **Section 3 — Work Information & Accomplishments**

19. Current Employer
20. Job Title

21. Accomplishments

*Use this space to highlight professional or civic awards, associations or distinctions. Maximum character count is 499.*

22. Headshot

*Please paste a link here of a personal headshot. For example, if your bio on your employer's website includes a photo, share that link here. You could also upload a headshot to Google Drive or Dropbox and provide a sharable link here.*

### **Section 4 — Essays**

23. Please describe your understanding of the gospel of Jesus Christ and your relationship with Jesus. *Maximum character count is 999.*

24. Please describe your involvement with the local church.

*Maximum character count is 499.*

25. Why are you interested in the 5280 Fellowship?

*Maximum character count is 999.*

26. What do you hope to gain from the program?

*Maximum character count is 999.*

27. What can you contribute to the other Fellows?

*Maximum character count is 999.*

28. Are you able to fully commit to the 5280 Fellowship program and complete all requirements within the proscribed 9-month time period?

*Multiple choice - Yes or no*

### **Section 5 — Scholarship Information & Eligibility**

29. A limited number of partial scholarships are available based on financial need and with priority given to applicants working in the nonprofit, small business, and/or social sectors. Indicate below if you would like to be considered for a scholarship.

*Multiple choice:*

- *If you select "No, thanks," you will skip the remaining questions in Section 5 and be directed to question 34.*
- *If you select "Yes, please consider me," you will be directed to questions 29-33. Your responses are completely confidential and will not affect admission decisions.*

30. Expanding upon the questions you've already answered, please briefly describe the industry/field in which you work and the nature of the job that you do.

*Maximum character count is 999.*

31. What is your total pre-tax household income?

32. What is your marital status?

*Multiple choice – Single, Married, or Divorced*

33. How many children are in your household? If none, please enter 0.

*Maximum character count is two.*

34. Tuition is \$2,450. What portion of this amount are you able to cover? Please specify a dollar amount.

## **Section 6 — Acknowledgements & Affirmations**

35. Acknowledgement of Dedication: I understand the rigorous nature of this program and commit to completing assigned readings, attending the gatherings, and contributing to the development of other Fellows in my cohort.

*Multiple choice - "I accept" or "I don't accept"*

36. Acknowledgement of Application Privacy: I understand that my application information will be shared among members of the selection committee and the leaders of my selected cohort.

*Multiple choice - "I accept" or "I don't accept"*

37. Affirmation of Accuracy: I affirm that all information on this application is true and accurate.

*Multiple choice - "I accept" or "I don't accept"*

38. Affirmation of Faith: I affirm the truth of the Nicene Creed.

*Multiple choice:*

- *If you select "I accept," you will be directed to submit your application.*
- *If you select "I do not accept," you will be directed to an additional question that asks you to specify the part(s) of the Nicene Creed with which you do not agree and why.*

*Maximum character count is 999.*

**Good work! You're ready to apply.**

Visit [5280Fellowship.com/apply](https://5280Fellowship.com/apply) to submit through the online application form.