

Sponsored Fellow Program

To support trainee education and broaden access to the North Star Live Endoscopy (NORSE) Course, we are pleased to offer a limited number of **Sponsored Fellow Awards** for the 2026 course.

Selected fellows will receive:

- Complimentary conference registration
- Travel funding to cover flights, hotel, and approved expenses

The Sponsored Fellow Program is designed for current fellows who demonstrate strong interest in Gastroenterology, a clear educational benefit from attending, and a commitment to bringing what they learn back to their home institution.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be a current fellow in an accredited GI fellowship program
- Be in good standing within their training program.
- Have support from their Program Director to attend the conference if selected.

We particularly encourage applications from fellows at institutions with limited conference funding or fewer subspecialty training opportunities.

Application Requirements

A complete application includes:

1. **Online Application Form** (see link below)
2. **Current CV**
3. **Letter of Support from your Program Director**
 - Confirming you are in good standing
 - Endorsing your attendance
 - Acknowledging your release from clinical duties for the course dates
4. *(Optional)* Additional letter of support from a mentor or faculty member

Applicants will also be asked to briefly describe:

- Their clinical and/or research interests

- How attendance at NORSE will benefit their training and career
- How they plan to share knowledge gained with their program (e.g., teaching sessions, journal club, curriculum efforts)
- Any funding limitations or barriers to attending educational conferences

Key Dates

- **Application deadline: March 1, 2026 (11:59 PM CST)**
- **Notification of decisions: by March 9, 2026**

Selected fellows will receive instructions on registration, travel arrangements, and reimbursement at the time of notification.

How to Apply

To apply for the Sponsored Fellow Program, please complete the online application and upload all required documents:

Apply Here: https://umn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8GRDdlW86rIIXGu

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