Young Professional Fellowship Canada 2025 – Step-by-Step Guide

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Introduction

The Young Professional Fellowship Canada 2025 (YPF Canada) is a global leadership program designed to bring together young professionals, students, and community leaders for networking, mentorship, and skill development. The program provides partial and fully funded opportunities to attend the event in Canada.

This guide provides a detailed, step-by-step breakdown for Nigerians looking to apply successfully.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for YPF Canada 2025, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- **✓ Age Requirement:** 16 − 40 years old
- Nationality: Open to all nationalities, including Nigeria
- **Education Level:** Students, graduates, young professionals, and social activists can apply
- Work Experience: Not mandatory, but community engagement is an advantage
- Language Requirement: Proficiency in English (no test required)
- Leadership & Community Engagement: Applicants must demonstrate leadership potential and community service

1. Application Process (Step by Step)

Step 1: Access the Application Form

Apply Here

Click on "Apply Now" and proceed to the online registration form.

Step 2: Fill in Personal Details

You will need to provide:

- Full Name (as per passport or National ID)
- Email Address
- Phone Number (WhatsApp enabled)
- Country of Residence & Nationality
- Date of Birth
- Passport or National ID Number

Step 3: Provide Educational & Professional Details

- Institute/Organization Name
- Your Current Role (Student, Professional, etc.)
- Social Media Links (LinkedIn, Facebook, etc.)
- Languages Spoken
- Departure City/Airport

Step 4: Answer the Selection Questions

This is a crucial part of the application. You must write responses to:

- 1. Tell us about yourself, achievements, and why you are suitable for YPF Canada (Max 300 words)
- 2. What three major aspects of YPF Canada motivated you to apply? (Max 300 words)
- 3. How will you use YPF Canada to benefit your community? (Max 300 words)

Tip: Make sure to highlight leadership skills, community work, and how the program aligns with your goals.

Step 5: Upload Required Documents

- You must upload the following:
- **Profile Picture** (professional, no selfies)
- Passport or National ID

Note: Other supporting documents (CV, Statement of Purpose, etc.) may be requested later via email if necessary.

Step 6: Pay the Application Fee

Solution Application Fee: \$30 USD (for registration processing)

Payment Methods: Payment is made via Credit/Debit Card. The website provides details on payment options during the application process.

Important: Payment is **non-refundable** and must be made before submission.

Step 7: Submit Your Application

After completing the form and payment, click **Submit** to finalize your application.

✓ You will receive a confirmation email after submission.

2. Selection Process

YPF Canada has a competitive selection process. Here's how it works:

Phase 1: Application Review

• Applications are reviewed based on leadership experience, motivation, and community engagement.

Phase 2: Shortlisting

• Selected candidates will be notified via email and WhatsApp.

Phase 3: Offer Letter & Further Instructions

- If you are selected, you will receive an **Offer Letter** confirming your selection and funding category (Fully Funded, Partially Funded, or Self-Funded).
- The offer letter will include **next steps**, including visa application instructions.

Phase 4: Final Selection & Invitation Letter

- Successful applicants will receive an official invitation letter, which is needed for visa processing.
- **Tip:** Fully funded seats are limited, so make sure to submit a strong application!

3. What Happens After Selection?

Once selected, you need to:

- Confirm Your Acceptance Respond to the Offer Letter and accept your selection.
- Complete Any Additional Forms Some candidates may be required to provide extra details.
- Receive Your Invitation Letter This is crucial for visa application.
- **Begin Visa Application Process** (see details below).

4. Funding & Scholarships

YPF Canada offers three funding options:

Fully Funded Seats: Covers **flight tickets**, accommodation, meals, and program fees (limited slots).

- ✓ Partially Funded Seats: Covers accommodation and meals (participants cover flight and visa).
- Self-Funded Seats: Applicants cover their own costs.
- **★** Social Media Campaign Opportunity:

YPF Canada reserves 5 partially funded seats for those who join their social media campaign.

5. Visa Application Process

If selected for the Young Professional Fellowship Canada 2025, you will need a **Temporary Resident Visa (TRV)** for short-term professional development to attend the event. Here's how to apply:

Step 1: Prepare Required Documents

- Valid International Passport (at least 6 months validity)
- Visa Application Form (Download Here)
- **YPF** Canada Invitation Letter
- ✓ Proof of Accommodation in Canada (provided by YPF for funded applicants)
- **✓** Flight Itinerary (for visa application)
- **V** Bank Statement (to show financial capability)

Step 2: Create a GCKey Account

To submit your application online, you need a GCKey account:

- Visit the <u>IRCC portal</u> and click "Sign In".
- Choose "GCKey" to create a new account if you don't have one.
- Once your account is set up, you can submit your visa application online.

Step 3: Complete the Application

• Log in to your GCKey account.

- Complete the **IMM 5257** form (the visa application form).
- Upload all required documents (passport, invitation letter, proof of funds, photos, etc.).
- Pay the application fee.

Step 6: Biometrics

- Book an appointment at a VFS Global center for biometrics.
- Check the VFS Global website: <u>VFS Global Canada.</u>

Step 7: Submit Documents to VFS

• Submit your **passport**, **visa application receipt**, **biometric confirmation**, and any other required documents at VFS Global.

Step 8: Wait for Processing

- \not Processing Time: 4 8 weeks (Apply early!).
- Track your application status on VFS Global Tracking.

Step 9: Receive Your Visa

• Collect your passport with a visa or receive it by courier.

Step 10: Travel to Canada

• Ensure you have all documents ready for your travel.

7. Important Deadlines & Contacts

Application Deadline: March 30, 2025

Final Selection Announcement: April 2025

Event Date: July 2025

Contact Information:

Email: info@youngprofessionalfellowship.org

Phone (WhatsApp Available): +1 929 412 5845

Website: YPF Canada 2025

Conclusion

The Young Professional Fellowship Canada 2025 is an excellent opportunity for Nigerians to gain international exposure, build networks, and enhance their leadership skills. Follow this guide carefully and submit a strong application to maximize your chances of selection.

→ Need help with your application or visa? Flymatas can assist you with a smooth process. Contact us today!

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