

Microsoft Data Science Fellowship for M.Tech.(Research)



ABOUT MICROSOFT INDIA

Founded in 1975, Microsoft (Nasdaq “MSFT” @microsoft) is the leading platform and productivity company for the mobile-first, cloud-first world, and its mission is to empower every person and every organization on the planet to achieve more. Microsoft set up its India operations in 1990. Today, Microsoft entities in India have over 8,000 employees, engaged in sales and marketing, research and development and customer services and support, across 11 Indian cities – Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Chennai, New Delhi, Gurugram, Noida, Hyderabad, Kochi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Pune. Microsoft offers its global cloud services from local datacenters to accelerate digital transformation across Indian start-ups, businesses, and government agencies. In 2016, Microsoft opened one of its eight Cyber Security Engagement Centers in the country, to address security needs of both public and private sectors.

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

The *Microsoft Data Science Fellowship* is instituted at IISc and aimed at attracting highly talented *M.Tech.(Research)* students in the area of *data science and systems*. Two fellowships are on offer for the incoming (2017-2018) M.Tech.(Research) students at the CDS department’s CS Stream. The fellowship entitlements include:

- *Enhanced fellowship* of Rs.16,000 per month for 24 months
- *Travel and contingency* amount of Rs. 1,10,000 for international/national travel and other expenses to support research including buying a laptop
- *Possible internship of three months* with Microsoft India during the summer of 2018

ELIGIBILITY & SELECTION

All *M.Tech. (Research)* students who start at CDS in August 2017 and wish to pursue their thesis topic in the area of *data science and systems* with *Profs. Yogesh Simmhan, Anirban Chakraborty (or) Partha Talukdar* as their thesis advisor are eligible. Advisor’s prior consent is necessary. *Microsoft strongly encourages women candidates to apply.*

The selection committee will consist of CDS department faculty members as well as Microsoft India representative. *Two fellowships* will be awarded this year.