IIT Gandhinagar is committed to nurturing young researchers and supporting their passionate pursuits by offering them innovative opportunities. The Sabarmati Bridge Fellowship is one such opportunity to empower aspiring young researchers among final year IITGN BTech, MSc, and MA students. This Fellowship will enable them to work with an IITGN faculty member on a research problem that could lead to scholarly publications.

This Fellowship enables recipients to nourish the joy of research and passionate pursuits. This full-time position will enable fellows to acclimatize to research groups and gain experience in collaborative learning and publication. Fellows will also gain exposure to the various skills required for a PhD program and research career.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
Final year IITGN BTech, MSc, and MA students who have a passion for research and are contemplating a PhD program or research career. The applicants are expected to complete their graduation requirement in 2022.

FELLOWSHIP
- Fellows will receive Rs. 20,000 per month. In addition, faculty mentors have the option to top-up this fellowship up to an additional Rs. 10,000 from their project funds.
- The Fellowship will be awarded initially for four months. In case of satisfactory performance, the Fellowship will be extended for another eight months (that is, total Fellowship duration of one year).
- The Fellow will be eligible for 2.5 days of leave per month.

EXPECTATIONS FROM THE FACULTY AND THE FELLOW
- Selected Fellows will work full-time as pre-doctoral research fellows under a faculty mentor.
- The Fellow will work on a specific research project supervised by the mentoring faculty.
- One of the aims of the project should be a co-authored scholarly publication with the Fellow.
- Fellows are expected to dedicate themselves full-time to the Fellowship with professional and performance expectations of a graduate student in a top university.
- The faculty mentor undertakes to suitably involve, direct, supervise and evaluate the Fellow’s work, and share quarterly assessments and at the conclusion of the fellowship with the office of the Dean R&D.

SELECTION
- As part of the application process, the applicants will develop a research plan in consultation with the proposed faculty mentor. The plan will outline their research and professional objectives and must be endorsed by the proposed faculty mentor.
- Applicants are free to apply to ANY discipline and can submit only ONE application.
- Faculty members may endorse more than one proposals.
- A faculty group will shortlist the applications. The shortlisted applicants will be invited for an interview by a faculty panel to be appointed by Dean R&D.
- The recommendations of the panel will be reviewed by Dean, R&D and approved by the Director.
- If more than one application endorsed by a faculty member succeeds, (a) the institute will provide fellowship to only one candidate, and (b) the faculty member may exercise the option to support additional candidate(s) from his/her own funds.
- The Institute will support up to a total of 10 Fellowships during 2022-23.