

2016 ARIN Fellowship Report

The ARIN Fellowship Program was implemented in 2009 to introduce new and seasoned community members to ARIN's Policy Development Process by providing financial support to individuals from each sector of the ARIN Region (Canada, Caribbean and North Atlantic Islands, and the United States and outlying areas) to attend an ARIN Public Policy and Members Meeting. Financial support includes hotel accommodations at the meeting hotel, round-trip economy class airfare to the meeting, a small stipend, and optionally, an ARIN mentor.

For 2016 ARIN:

- Awarded up to five individuals from each sector of the ARIN Region with a fellowship, an increase from the program's inception;
- Optionally included registration and hotel accommodations not only for the North American Network Operators Group (NANOG), but extended this to include the Caribbean Network Operators Group (CaribNOG) meeting when held back to back to ARIN's Public Policy and Members Meeting; and
- Awarded fellowships to two returning ARIN Fellows.
- Awarded four partial fellowships for ARIN 38 that covered hotel accommodations and a partial stipend.

2016 Meeting Fellowship Selection Committee:

Bill Sandiford, Chair

Tina Morris, Advisory Council

Paul Emmons, Member in Good Standing

L. Sean Kennedy, Member in Good Standing

Fast Facts:

- Since 2009
 - 77 individuals have been awarded an ARIN Fellowship
 - 376 qualifying applications have been received
- ARIN 37 - Jamaica
 - 63 qualifying applications
 - 16 applications rolled over from ARIN 36
 - 47 new applications were received
 - 11 applicants from Canada
 - 18 applicants from the Caribbean
 - 34 applicants from the US
 - 15 fellows participated
 - 2 fellows declined
 - 4 fellows, all from the Caribbean, received partial fellowships

- ARIN 38 - Dallas
 - 53 qualifying applications
 - 28 applications rolled over from ARIN 37
 - 25 new applications were received
 - 10 applicants from Canada
 - 14 applicants from the Caribbean
 - 29 applicants from the US
 - 11 fellows participated
 - 1 fellow declined, 1 fellow never replied

ARIN 37 (Montego Bay, Jamaica)

ARIN Region	Fellow	Mentor
Canada	Mary Anne Carter	Tina Morris, AC
Canada	Michael Lerer	Christian Tacit, AC
Canada	Alyssa Moore***	Cathy Aronson, AC
Canada	Andrew Trudgeon*	No Mentor
Caribbean	Patrick Anglin**	John Springer, AC
Caribbean	Daledrey Barrow	Andrew Dul, AC
Caribbean	Gary Campbell**	Susan Hamlin, ARIN
Caribbean	Trevor Forrest**	Owen DeLong, AC
Caribbean	Gerry George	Charlie Liu, Community Member
Caribbean	Margaret Leon	John Sweeting, Community Member
Caribbean	Kevin Powell**	Charles Gucker, Community Member
USA	Roger Caruth	Leif Sawyer, AC
USA	Jose de la Cruz	Andy Newton, ARIN
USA	Craig Mollerstuen	Aaron Hughes, Board of Trustees
USA	Alison Wood***	Leslie Nobile, ARIN

*Returning ARIN Fellow

**Partial Fellowship

***Newly elected to the ARIN Advisory Council

ARIN 38 (Dallas, Texas)

ARIN Region	Fellow	Mentor
Canada	Josh Crawford	John Springer, AC
Canada	Kathleen Monk	Leslie Nobile, ARIN
Canada	Orin Roberts	Charlie Liu, Community Member
Canada	Shaun Rossi	Owen DeLong, AC
Caribbean	Gary S. Campbell*	Aaron Hughes, Board of Trustees
Caribbean	Ashell Forde	Tina Morris, AC
USA	Jason Bothe	David Farmer, AC
USA	Bradley Fidler	Leif Sawyer, AC
USA	Julie Percival	Cathy Aronson, AC
USA	Dustin Phillips	Ron da Silva, Community Member

USA	Alfredo Calderon-Serrano	Christian Tacit, AC
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Fellowship Costs:

ARIN 37 – Jamica

- Fellow Stipends: \$4,450
- Fellow Hotel Accomodations: \$24,210
- Fellow Airfare: \$7,233.48
- CaribNOG Conference Registration: No Charge

Total: \$35,893.48

ARIN 38 – Dallas

- Fellow Stipends: \$3,835
- Fellow Hotel Accomodations: \$11,140.74
- Fellow Airfare: \$6,030.84
- NANOG Conference Registration: \$4,050

Total: \$25,056.58

Grand Total: \$60,950.06

Note:

- Stipends are not the same for each fellow. While there is a set maximum, each stipend is determined based on the arrival/departure of participating fellows which varies. Additionally, partial stipends were awarded to four ARIN 37 fellows.
- The cost of the hotel accomodations vary based on the arrival/departure of fellows.
- Fellows who reside in the location of the meeting do not receive airfare. Four ARIN 37 fellows and one ARIN 38 fellow did not receive airfare accomodations.
- Totals do not include staff time.

Fellow Comments:

- Strengths of the ARIN Fellowship Program included “learning about the organizational structure of ARIN; learning about the policymaking process, and networking.”
- “The fellowship program does an excellent job bringing new faces and ideas into the forum. More importantly, awareness of ARIN and ARIN’s policies; is a topic I can now relate to my colleagues as often as I can, extending the reach of the fellowship program long after the conference has ended.”
- “My experience exceeded my expectations. From day one I felt as a member of the community, even though my knowledge and background in some issues were limited. The fact that I could talk with different constituents of the ARIN community (members of the Board, Advisory Council) and staff was incredible and very informative.”

- Recommend “newcomers need to hear specific case studies to understand the complexities.”
- “The meeting met ALL my expectations and I will definitely continue to support ARIN moving forward.”
- “One highlight of the ARIN Meeting is the work being done by the AC. I am impressed with the open fora that allows for input from the wider community.”
- “I was surprised and pleased at the sophisticated level of dialogue as well as how courteous people were on issues where there was clear disagreement.”
- Recommend “each fellow go up to the mikes and comment on or give their perspective on at least one of the policy proposals under discussion.”
- “The fellowship is structured very well in my opinion. I especially appreciated that the program does not separate the fellows from the community.”

Staff Recommendations:

1. The Board of Trustees continues to appoint the Meeting Fellowship Selection Committee during its January meeting. This is especially important this year as we are moving the selection deadline up due to the early April meeting date.
2. Enhance onboarding with the introduction of a teleconference or webinar for fellows prior to the meeting. This would supplement the materials recommended/provided via email and could include an introduction to selected meeting fellows, an overview of what to expect, how to make the most of your time at an ARIN meeting, policy 101, and Q&A.
3. Arrange for an onsite, informal in-person fellow/mentor meeting.
4. Ask the Selection Committee to provide the Member Engagement Coordinator with a summary that includes their recommendations and/or enhancements that can be made to the program and/or selection process.
5. Staff will brainstorm on ways to further engage with past Fellows. We would like to harness their interest and ability to be ARIN ambassadors on an ongoing basis.
6. Staff needs to work on identifying/recruiting additional community member mentors to supplement the AC volunteers.