Public Policy Research Funding and Training Opportunities

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University of Delaware Doctoral Support

University Dissertation Fellowship

Doctoral programs are invited to submit names and dossiers of University Dissertation Fellow nominees to the Graduate College. These awards were established to support PhD students completing a dissertation. Dissertation Fellowship awards are competitive and are selected by a faculty review committee based on academic achievement and progress in training since being admitted to a doctoral program, as well as evidence of professional commitment and potential impact of the dissertation on the student’s field of study.

https://grad.udel.edu/fees-and-funding/ud-dissertation-fellowship/

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https://grad.udel.edu/fees-and-funding/ud-doctoral-fellowship-award/

Doctoral Internship Award

The Graduate College believes that internship experiences enhance our students’ graduate education, broaden their knowledge of career options and prepare them for success in desired career paths. As part of our commitment to prepare students from all backgrounds, experiences, viewpoints, and identities for success in a variety of careers, the Graduate College offers funding to support full-time internships that are three months or less in duration. Funding can be used for travel to and from the internship sites, living expenses, and other expenses not covered by the internship. Internships can be within for-profit organizations, laboratories, or industry research and development groups; start-up businesses; all levels of government agencies and national laboratories; policy think tanks; and non-profit organizations.

https://grad.udel.edu/fees-and-funding/doctoral-internship-award/
Graduate College Travel Award

This award program provides financial support graduate students to travel for academic activities, including research, presentations, exhibitions or performance and professional development related to their program of study. Travel is an essential experience that enhances the academic and professional development of graduate students through networking and exposure to scholarly activities underway in their field by other institutions, and provides opportunities to share in-progress research and scholarship with regional, national and global communities.

The Biden School will provide student travel matches for presentations at professional conferences.

https://grad.udel.edu/travel-award-application/

Summer Doctoral Fellowship

The Graduate College accepts applications from doctoral students for Summer awards of up to $4,500 to cover the following kinds of activities:

https://grad.udel.edu/fees-and-funding/summer-doctoral-fellowship/
Pre-Dissertation Support

 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)
  https://www.nsfgrfp.org/

 Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowships
  https://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/fordfellowships/pga_171939

 U.S. Department of Education: Jacob Javits Fellowship Program
  https://www2.ed.gov/programs/jacobjavits/index.html

 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Research Scholars Program
 Full-time doctoral students, entering their second year of studies, who will have at least three years of doctoral study remaining. From marginalized backgrounds and/or populations underrepresented in specific doctoral disciplines. Examples of eligible individuals include, but are not limited to: first-generation college graduates; individuals from lower socioeconomic backgrounds; individuals from communities of color; and individuals with disabilities. Pursuing a research-focused discipline that can advance a Culture of Health. Interested in health policy and interdisciplinary approaches.
  https://healthpolicyresearch-scholars.org/

 Homeland Security Pathways Programs Internship Program (OPM): This program is for current students enrolled in a wide variety of educational institutions from high school to graduate level, with paid opportunities to work in agencies and explore Federal careers while still in school.
  https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/hiring-information/students-recent-graduates/#url=intern
Dissertation Proposal Workshops and Funding Support

Institute for Research on Poverty/Howard University Dissertation Proposal Workshop
Due: February

Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Dissertation Proposal Workshop
This workshop attracts PhD students from planning programs from around the world to gather and discuss the practical details of creating, producing, distributing and consuming planning knowledge among scholars. Participants will work on conceiving, designing, and presenting PhD-quality research to multiple audiences, including, most centrally, their peers. Students will advise one another as scholars pursuing unique research paths within a community of shared inquiry. The faculty work jointly as teachers, advisors, and coaches.
https://www.acsp.org/page/WorkshopPhD

HUD Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant Program (post-proposal defense)
https://www.hud.gov/programdescription/ddrg

Doris Duke Fellowships for the Promotion of Child Well-Being
http://www.dorisdukefellowships.org/about

Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice: Section on Child Maltreatment Dissertation Award (given to a graduate student to assist with expenses in conducting dissertation research on the topic of child maltreatment)

Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowships
https://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/fordfellowships/pga_171939
Steven H. Sandell Grants Program and Dissertation Fellowships, US Social Security Administration (supports research and doctoral candidates studying retirement or disability policy)

Due: January 31, 2021

https://crr.bc.edu/about-us/grant-programs/

Dissertation Fellowship Program in Retirement Research

http://crr.bc.edu/about-us/grant-programs/dissertation-fellowship-program-2/

ACF, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation: Early Care and Education Research Scholars: Head Start Graduate Student Research Grants (provides support for dissertation research conducted by graduate students working in partnership with local Head Start or Early Head Start programs)

https://www.acf.hhs.gov/opre/research/project/head-start-graduate-student-research-program

ACF, Behavioral Interventions Scholars (support dissertation research by advanced graduate students who are using approaches grounded in behavioral science or behavioral economics to examine specific research questions of relevance to social services programs and policies)


Women’s Philanthropy Institute Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (increase research and understanding of gender and philanthropy; post-defense)


Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy (post-proposal defense)

https://www.horowitz-foundation.org/grant-info
AERA Minority Dissertation Fellowship in Education Research
Due November 16, 2020
https://www.aera.net/Professional-Opportunities-Funding/AERA-Funding-Opportunities/Minority-Dissertation-Fellowship-Program

AERA Dissertation Grant (dissertation writing grant/last year of study)
Due November 2, 2020
http://www.aera.net/Professional-Opportunities-Funding/AERA-Funding-Opportunities/Grants-Program/Dissertation-Grants

NAE/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship (must be candidate)
https://naeducation.org/naedspencer-dissertation-fellowship-program/
Due October 8, 2020

Arnold L. Mitchem Dissertation Fellowship Program
http://www.marquette.edu/provost/mitchem-dissertation-program.php

American Psychological Association Social Issues Dissertation Award (This award recognizes excellence in socially relevant research. Awarded to completed dissertations.)
https://www.apa.org/about/awards/div-9-socissdis?tab=1

Technology and Public Purpose Fellowship
https://www.belfercenter.org/fellowships/fellowship

The Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship in Women’s Studies (encourages original and significant research about women that crosses disciplinary, regional, or cultural boundaries)
https://woodrow.org/fellowships/womens-studies/
The Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (encourage original and significant study of ethical or religious values in all fields of the humanities and social sciences)
https://woodrow.org/fellowships/newcombe/

NSF Special Programs for Graduate Students (program specific)

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (recognizes and supports individuals early in their graduate training in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields)

NSF Dissertation Improvement Grant (field/discipline specific)
Sociology: https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505118
Administered by ASA: Topics can include, but will not be limited to, organizations and organizational behavior, health and medicine, crime and deviance, inequality and stratification, population dynamics, social movements, social groups, labor force participation, stratification and mobility, family, social networks, socialization, gender, race, ethnicity, and the sociology of science and technology. Projects that explore new methodologies, including but not limited to computational sociology, big data, large scale modeling, and innovative use of emerging technologies, will also be welcomed. https://www.asanet.org/careers/grants-and-fellowships/asa-doctoral-dissertation-research-improvement-grant
Deadline: November 1, 2020

Political Science: (post-defense) Administered by APSA: Substantive areas of funded, research will include, but will not be limited to: American government and politics; comparative government and politics; Indigenous politics; international relations; race, ethnicity, and politics; urban and local politics; women and politics research; political violence; conflict processes; public administration; public policy; political behavior; political economy; political institutions; and sexuality and politics.
Deadline: June 15, 2020

Decision, Risk and Management Sciences:
Humans Disasters and the Built Environment
https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=13353

NIH/NIMH: Mental Health Research Dissertation Grant to Enhance Workforce Diversity (enhance the diversity of the mental health research workforce by providing dissertation awards in all research areas within the strategic priorities of the NIMH to individuals from groups underrepresented in biomedical, behavioral, clinical and social sciences research)

NIH/NIA: Aging Research Dissertation Awards to Increase Diversity (provide dissertation awards in all areas of research within NIA’s strategic priorities to increase the diversity of the scientific research workforce engaged in research on aging and aging-related health conditions)

NIH/NIDA: Drug Abuse Dissertation Research (enhance the diversity of the drug abuse research workforce by providing dissertation awards on topics related to the study of basic and clinical neuroscience, development, epidemiology, prevention, treatment, services, or women and sex/gender differences as they relate to drug abuse)

NIH/ Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: Health Services Research Dissertation Program (provides support to individuals who are conducting research undertaken as part of an accredited academic program to qualify for a research doctorate degree)

AAUW American Dissertation Fellowships
Access Group Center for Research & Policy Analysis

https://www.accesslex.org/grant-programs

Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar Dissertation Fellowship Program


Joseph L. Fisher Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships


Beth Hess Scholarship and/or Chow-Greene (must be in sociology PhD program)

https://socwomen.org/awards/bethhessmemorialscholarship/
Due: April 1, 2021

Esther Ngan-ling Chow and Mareyjoyce Green Scholarship

https://socwomen.org/awards/chowgreenscholarship/

American Society for Public Administration- Section on Emergency and Crisis Management Dissertation Award

SECM dissertation award program aims to support dissertation research that is currently progress. In other words, the purpose of the award is to support dissertation research being performed by PhD candidates, who have successfully defended their proposal, but have not yet completed a dissertation, in the area of emergency and crisis management. The award includes a one-time $500 stipend as well as a one-year SECM membership. Information about the award is generally released every February. https://www.aspanet.org/ASPA/Chapters-Sections/List-of-Sections/ASPA/Chapters-Sections/Sections-List.aspx?hkey=b7745174-0f3e-48b6-9612-50b4e588833a
**Internship and Fellowship Opportunities**

**APPAM Equity and Inclusion Student Fellowship**

http://www.appam.org/awards/equity-and-inclusion-fellowship/

**American Society for Public Administration Founder’s Fellows Program**

https://www.aspanet.org/ASPA/Students-New-Professionals/Founders-Fellows/ASPA/Student-New-Professionals/Founders-Fellows/Founders-Fellows.aspx

**Learning Policy Institute’s Policy and Research Internships (for undergraduate, graduate, or post-graduate students)**

The Learning Policy Institute conducts and communicates independent, high-quality research to improve education policy and practice. We’re looking for undergraduate or graduate students or recent graduates interested in the intersection of research, public policy, and education.

Fall and Spring Cycles (Spring deadline is November 8th)

https://learningpolicyinstitute.org/careers/policy-and-research-intern-dc

**NAEP Doctoral Students Internship Program**

The mission of the NAEP doctoral student internship program is to advance and encourage secondary analysis and methodological developments using data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). During the 10-week internship program, interns will work directly with researchers from the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) and American Institutes for Research (AIR) on research in one of four topic areas: Psychometrics & Statistical Methods, Process Data, Policy-Relevant Research, and Re-envisioning Quantitative Information (Data Visualization).

Due: December 18

http://naep-research.airprojects.org/Opportunities/Internship
Urban Institute Summer Internship Program

Summer Internship Program for students at different stages of career. Full-time paid positions for 10 weeks of summer.

https://www.urban.org/aboutus/summerurban

Business and Professional People for the Public Interest’s Summer Internships

Business and Professional People for the Public Interest (BPI) hires a diverse cohort of law student, graduate policy student and undergraduate interns to work on projects in housing, education, criminal justice and political reform. Interns work individually and in collaboration across program areas, assisting BPI policy and legal staff to advance program priorities.

https://www.bpichicago.org/fellowships/student-internships/

National Academy of Sciences/National Research Council Fellowships

https://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/RAP/index.htm

Fulbright U.S. Student Program (multiple opportunities)

https://us.fulbrightonline.org/about/fulbright-us-student-program

RTI International Internship Program

Mentoring undergraduate and graduate students across the social and laboratory sciences, engineering, and international development. Our interns receive mentored learning experiences designed to enhance their professional development and career goals, while making a meaningful contribution to our mission of improving the human condition. Our internships offer students opportunities to work in a multidisciplinary international and independent research institute while helping to advance current and exploratory projects.

https://www.rti.org/internships

MDRC Judith Gueron Scholars Program

The Gueron Scholars Program offers paid internships for undergraduates and master’s-level students and doctoral fellowships (with stipends) for students engaged in dissertation research.
The program is designed to introduce students from groups that are traditionally underrepresented in the education and social policy research communities to MDRC.

[https://www.mdrc.org/gueron-scholars-program](https://www.mdrc.org/gueron-scholars-program)

**2020 Summer Institute for Civically Engaged Research** (ICER is intended for advanced graduate students in political science and political scientists at any stage of their careers who wish to shift to using civically engaged research)

Due: April 1


**United States Government Internship**

Designed to provide students enrolled in a wide variety of educational institutions, from high school to graduate level, with opportunities to work in agencies and explore Federal careers while still in school and while getting paid for the work performed.

[https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/hiring-information/students-recent-graduates/#url=intern](https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/hiring-information/students-recent-graduates/#url=intern)

**Boren Fellowships**

NSEP awards Boren Scholarships and Fellowships to America's future leaders - undergraduate and graduate students committed to long-term, overseas immersive language study and to public service.

[https://www.nsep.gov/content/david-l-boren-fellowships](https://www.nsep.gov/content/david-l-boren-fellowships)

**Research for Action Internship Program (rolling year-round opportunities)**

Our internship program is designed to provide students with practical training in a variety of research methods (qualitative, quantitative, and policy research) and provide valuable, education-related work and research experience that combines knowledge and theory with practical application. RFA’s internship program is a unique opportunity to contribute to large-scale educational reform efforts on local, state, and national levels and doing so requires a diverse array of perspectives from our interns.

[https://www.researchforaction.org/about/internships-at-rfa/](https://www.researchforaction.org/about/internships-at-rfa/)
RAND Graduate Student Summer Associate Program

RAND's Summer Associate Program introduces outstanding graduate students to RAND, an institution that conducts research on a wide range of national security problems and domestic and international social policy issues. The program receives several hundred applications each year; approximately 35–45 students are placed in each cohort. The selection process matches potential Summer Associates with mentors and projects based on their skills, interests, and expertise. Summer Associates work on currently funded projects that have the capacity to support a Summer Associate's work. The program is designed for full-time students who have completed at least two years of graduate work leading to a doctorate (e.g., PhD, EDD, DRPH, SciD, etc.) or professional degree (e.g., law or medical degree, professional engineer certificate).

https://www.rand.org/about/edu_op/fellowships/gsap.html

AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellowships

AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellowships (STPF) provide opportunities to outstanding scientists and engineers to learn first-hand about policymaking while contributing their knowledge and analytical skills to the federal policymaking process.

https://fellowshipapp.aaas.org/app/main/page/about-stpf

US Environmental Protection Agency Internship

https://www.epa.gov/careers/student-internships

US Food and Drug Administration Policy Internship

The Office of Policy offers unpaid internships for interested graduate (including masters, law, and other doctoral programs) and undergraduate students. Office of Policy interns have had diverse educational interests, such as law, public health, public policy, pharmacy, government, economics, and management. Our interns have worked on a broad range of issues including human subject protection, food safety, nanotechnology, drug importation, novel disease outbreak issues, legislative analysis, regulation and guidance drafting, and briefings for senior agency officials.

**Brookings Internship Program**

The Brookings Internship program provides an opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students from diverse backgrounds to engage in career exploration and development as well as a chance to learn new skills. The mission of the Internship program is to provide students and recent graduates with a pre-professional, meaningful, and practical work experience related to the student’s field of study or career interest. Interns may work with Brookings’s staff in research areas - Economic Studies, Foreign Policy, Global Economy and Development, Governance Studies, and Metropolitan Policy. Brookings also offers students the opportunity to intern in departments such as communications, human resources and central operations management.


**Office of Evaluation Sciences at the General Services Administration**

Based at the General Services Administration (GSA), the Office of Evaluation Sciences (OES) is a team of interdisciplinary experts that works across the federal government to help agencies build and use evidence. OES provides government-wide expertise and support on leading practices for evidence-building and evaluation, and partners with federal agencies to answer priority questions using rapid and rigorous evaluation.

[https://oes.gsa.gov/opps/](https://oes.gsa.gov/opps/)

**Mathematica Summer Fellowships**

The Summer Fellowship Program at Mathematica welcomes doctoral students to spend 12 weeks at one of Mathematica’s office locations. Fellows will work on their own independent research project (typically their dissertation), which will intersect with one or more of Mathematica’s focus areas. The fellowship is designed for full-time students who are within two years of completing their doctorate degree and will not graduate prior to beginning the fellowship.

Due: February

[https://www.mathematica.org/career-opportunities/summer-fellowships](https://www.mathematica.org/career-opportunities/summer-fellowships)
UC Berkeley’s Othering and Belonging Institute (formerly the Haas Institute) Summer Fellowship

The Othering & Belonging Institute (formerly the Haas Institute) Summer Fellowship is a three-month-long, part-time, 20-hour per week paid research experience. The purpose of the fellowship is to prepare and engage with the next generation of researchers and future community leaders who are committed to social and racial justice by providing mentorship and hands-on experience with social science research.

https://belonging.berkeley.edu/summerfellowship

Save the Children Policy Research Fellowship

Launched in 2019, the program will provide a paid policy research fellowship to advanced graduate students and policy research professionals. The fellowship will focus on policy implementation, impact, and accountability. Fellows will work with Save the Children’s department of Public Policy and Advocacy on a policy research project between 3-12 months.


Earthquake Engineering Research Institute/ Federal Emergency Management Agency Fellowships in Earthquake Risk Reduction

The EERI/FEMA NEHRP fellowship provides a stipend of $12,000 that can be used for tuition, fees, research expenses and the required attendance and participation at EERI’s 2020 Annual Meeting.

https://www.eeri.org/about-eeri/honors-awards/graduate-fellowship/

International Association of Emergency Managers

The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to promoting the “Principles of Emergency Management” and representing professionals whose goals are saving lives and protecting property and the environment during emergencies and disasters. IAEM is dedicated to including students. Annually, they offer scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students studying emergency management, disaster management or a related field.

https://www.iaem.org/Resources/Scholarships
**Homeland Security Secretary’s Honors Program** The Secretary’s Honors Program (SHP) is a highly competitive, premier program for exceptional entry-level professionals looking for a career at DHS. Qualified candidates apply for a limited number of slots and are selected based on their academic performance, experience and other criteria. Those selected for the program will be offered a variety of incentives and enhanced career opportunities, including Department rotations and mentorships, focused on-the-job training and inclusion in various professional development programs.


**Natural Hazards Center Student Paper Competition** The Natural Hazards Center created the Annual Hazards and Disasters Student Paper Competition for undergraduate and graduate students in 2004 as a way to recognize and promote the next generation of hazards and disaster researchers. Winners each receive: A $100 award; Publication on the Natural Hazards Center website; Free registration the current Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop; Mention in the Natural Hazards Center publications and news outlets.

[https://hazards.colorado.edu/awards/paper-competition](https://hazards.colorado.edu/awards/paper-competition)

**Natural Hazards Center Quick Response Research Award** With the support of the National Science Foundation, the Natural Hazards Center Quick Response Research Award Program provides funds and training for eligible researchers to collect data in the aftermath of extreme events to document disaster before memories fade and physical evidence is erased.

[https://hazards.colorado.edu/research/quick-response](https://hazards.colorado.edu/research/quick-response)

**The Metropolitan Wilmington Urban League’s James H. Gilliam Sr. Fellows Program**

The program focuses on young people of color (between 22 and 40) who wish to push forward racial and economic justice throughout Delaware. Fellows learn how to write legislation, advocate for their issues, run for office, and how to build a narrative of urgency.

Fellows came from a range of backgrounds including PhD students, Public Allies straight out of college, community activists, and lawyers. They engaged with a range of speakers including Dr. Tony Allen, Attorney General Matt Denn, Ms. Raye Jones Avery, Dr. Patrice Gilliam-Johnson, Chief Magistrate Alan Davis, and Secretary of State Jeff Bullock. For more information on the program check out mwul.org. Biden Schools students interested in applying can reach out to Madinah Wilson-Anton (madinahw@udel.edu) who is a member of the 2nd class of Gilliam Fellows and a part-time student in the MA program.
The link to the application can be found here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScIqbGxBjKGU0mmgDQD7xZfLb8W5yD1VeCVi7EdMBYBhdoxuw/viewform

Due: October 30

**State of New Jersey, Office of the Secretary of Higher Education Graduate Fellowship**

The State of New Jersey, Office of the Secretary of Higher Education seeks graduate fellows to conduct research, policy analysis, and assist with other special projects as needed. Fellows will be responsible for writing internal policy memos, analyzing pending legislation and policy proposals, and coordinating outreach to colleges and universities. The Graduate Fellowship presents a unique opportunity to have a close view of policymaking for postsecondary education at an exciting time in the State’s future, with a new administration focused on higher education as a central theme of economic success.

Due: November 1

Research Training Opportunities

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan
The ICPSR Summer Program provides rigorous, hands-on training in statistical techniques, research methodologies, and data analysis. ICPSR Summer Program courses emphasize the integration of methodological strategies with the theoretical and practical concerns that arise in research on substantive issues. The Summer Program's broad curriculum is designed to fulfill the needs of researchers throughout their careers.

https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/web/pages/sumprog/index.html

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Maxwell School at Syracuse University
This is a paid workshop usually held in June that provides methodological training in qualitative and mixed methods research.
More info is here and the open application link is here. The deadline for applying is usually in November.

Qualitative Research Summer Intensive, Odum Institute for Research in Social Science at UNC
Taught as series of courses that provide opportunities to gain both theoretical and practical understanding of qualitative inquiry.

http://www.researchtalk.com/qrsi-2020/

Intersectional Qualitative Research Methods Institute for Advanced Doctoral Students
The Latino Research Institute at The University of Texas at Austin and the Consortium on Race, Gender, and Ethnicity (CRGE) at the University of Maryland, College Park partner to provide two distinct training opportunities, one for advanced doctoral students and the other for early career faculty. Few training institutes in the U.S. focus on qualitative research methods and, currently, none incorporate discussions regarding the intersections of race, gender, class, ethnicity, and other dimensions of inequity. In addition to facilitating these important conversations, this institute provides practical lessons in professional development to intersectional scholars in their pursuit of successful research careers.

https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/lri/summer-doctoral-institute/index.php
Post-Graduation Fellowships and Post-Doc Opportunities

Center for Budget and Policy Priorities State Policy Fellowship Program

https://www.cbpp.org/careers/state-policy-fellowship-program

Presidential Post-Docs at Selected Universities

California: https://ppfp.ucop.edu/info/
Michigan: http://presidentspostdoc.umich.edu/
Minnesota: http://ppfp.umn.edu/
NYU: https://www.nyu.edu/faculty/faculty-diversity-and-inclusion/mentoring-and-professional-development/provosts-postdoctoral-fellowship-program.html
Maryland: https://faculty.umd.edu/presidentspostdoc
Colorado: https://www.colorado.edu/postdoctoralaffairs/current-postdocs/chancellors-postdoctoral-fellowship-diversity-program
California Alliance: https://www.california-alliance.org/postdocfellowships
UNC Charlotte: https://diversitypostdoc.uncc.edu/
UNC Chapel Hill: https://research.unc.edu/carolina-postdocs/

Harvard University, Inequality in America Initiative Postdoctoral Program

The Inequality in America Initiative Postdoctoral Program seeks applications from recent (April 2018 or later) PhD recipients interested in joining an interdisciplinary network of Harvard researchers working to address the multiple challenges of inequality. We are interested in all dimensions of inequality in America, and normally appoint two fellows each year.

Deadline: November

https://inequalityinamerica.fas.harvard.edu/postdoctoral-program
**National Poverty Fellows Program**

The National Poverty Fellows Program is a federal government-university partnership that seeks to build the capacity of researchers to conduct high-quality policy-relevant research on poverty and inequality in the United States and to contribute to the effective use of research and scientific knowledge in the formation of public policy.

Deadline: December 7, 2020

[https://www.irp.wisc.edu/training/national-poverty-fellows-program/](https://www.irp.wisc.edu/training/national-poverty-fellows-program/)

**Columbia University’s Center on Poverty and Social Policy Postdoctoral Scholar Opportunities**

Seeking a postdoctoral scholars with a PhD in economics, public policy, demography, social work, sociology, or a related discipline, to conduct analyses of policy proposals related to poverty, inequality, economic security, hardship, and mobility. The work will focus on impacts to vulnerable groups such as young adults and racial inequalities.

Positions available at multiple times of the year

[https://www.povertycenter.columbia.edu/job-postings](https://www.povertycenter.columbia.edu/job-postings)

**Library of Congress Fellowship in Congressional Policymaking**

John W. Kluge Center at the Library of Congress invites qualified scholars to apply for a postdoctoral fellowship in the field of congressional policymaking, with a special focus on legislative negotiations.

Due: June 15


**Brookings Institute’s David M. Rubenstein Fellows Program**

These two-year fellowships are awarded to 10 outstanding early- and mid-career scholars, placed across five research programs at the Brookings Institution to study a wide range of local, national, and global policy issues.

[https://www.brookings.edu/david-m-rubenstein-fellowship-program/](https://www.brookings.edu/david-m-rubenstein-fellowship-program/)
Polikoff-Gautreaux Fellowship

Business and Professional People for the Public Interest’s Polikoff-Gautreaux Fellowship is a two-year fellowship for recent law or policy school graduates. BPI, a Chicago-based public interest law and policy center, has worked for over 50 years to create a just society. Polikoff Gautreaux fellows have gone on to pursue successful careers in affordable housing law, legal aid, civil rights advocacy, nonprofit leadership, and government.

Due: October

https://www.bpichicago.org/fellowships/post-graduate-law-fellowships/

Children’s Mental Health Policy Research Fellowship

Are you an early career researcher who cares about children’s mental health? The kinds of mental health services they get as a result of state, federal, or systems policies that mandate that care? Who gets care under those policies, and is the care evidence-based? What are the outcomes of these state, federal, or systems child mental health policies? If so, then apply to join us in our collaborative efforts to conduct research in this exciting new research area to explore how state, federal, and systems policies shape children’s mental health and well-being.

Our IDEAS Center one-year (April 1, 2020-March 31, 2021) transdisciplinary fellowship program offers experiential learning, didactic training, and intensive faculty mentoring to help launch your career in the field of children’s mental health policy research.

https://iristl.org/apply/

Harvard Kennedy School Women and Public Policy Program Research Fellowship Program

WAPPP offers non-stipendiary fellowships to exceptional scholars who are conducting gender-related research in one of WAPPP’s four focal areas (economic opportunity, political participation, health, and education). Fellows include doctoral, post-doctoral, and faculty. By conducting research and engaging with faculty and students at Harvard Kennedy School and beyond, the fellows enrich the intellectual life of the center. In past years, the fellowship program has brought together a diverse set of people from academic and professional fields, and supported their studies related to gender. The mission of the fellowship is to support and advance academic and practitioner scholars in their gender-related research.

Due: February

https://wappp.hks.harvard.edu/research-fellowship-program
Pathways Programs offer paths to federal internships for students and to careers for recent graduates, and provide meaningful training and career development opportunities for individuals who are at the beginning of their federal service. As a student or recent graduate, you can begin your career in the federal government by choosing the path that best describes you and where you are in your academics.

**Recent Graduates Program (OPM):** This program is for individuals who have recently graduated from qualifying educational institutions or programs and seek a dynamic, career development program with training and mentorship. To be eligible, applicants must apply within two years of degree or certificate completion (except for veterans precluded from doing so due to their military service obligation, who will have up to six years to apply).

**Presidential Management Fellows Program (OPM):** For more than three decades, the PMF Program has been the Federal government’s premier leadership development program for advanced degree candidates. This program is now for individuals who have received a qualifying advanced degree within the preceding two years.

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