

Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Undergraduate and Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program

The Department of State seeks a Foreign Service that represents America in world affairs with citizens who reflect the diversity and excellence of our society. Women, members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, and students with financial need are encouraged to apply. The program seeks to recruit talented students in academic programs relevant to international affairs, political and economic analysis, administration, management, and science policy. The goal is to attract outstanding students from all ethnic, racial and social backgrounds, who have an interest in pursuing a Foreign Service career in the U.S. Department of State. The Program develops a source of trained men and women from academic disciplines representing the skill needs of the Department, who are dedicated to representing America's interests abroad. The fellowship program is funded by the United States Department of State and is administered by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (WWNFF www.woodrow.org/public-policy).

The fellowship award includes tuition, room, board, and mandatory fees during the junior and senior years of college and during the first year of graduate study with reimbursement for books and one round-trip travel. The Fellow must commit to pursuing a graduate degree in international studies at one of the graduate schools identified by the WWNFF. Participating graduate schools provide financial support in the second year of graduate study based on need. Fellows meet annually in Washington, DC for a program orientation.

Eligibility requirements include the following:

- Only United States citizens will be considered.
- Applicants must be in the sophomore year of undergraduate study (*for undergraduate award only*)
- At time of application, candidates must be seeking admission to graduate school for the following academic year. Winners are expected to enroll in a two-year full-time master's degree program (such as public policy, international affairs, public administration, or academic fields such as business, economics, political science, sociology or foreign languages). U.S. graduate institutions only. (*for graduate award only*)
- Applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale at the time of application.
- A cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale must be maintained throughout participation in the program.

**Deadline for application: February 20, 2004 for the undergraduate program
February 27, 2004 for the graduate program**

For more information about the Pickering Fellowship Program see: www.woodrow.org
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