Engage in the Process

October 19, 2015

We hope everyone is fine after the flood, and looking forward to an official fall break!

Final Fall Workshops:

Tuesday, Oct. 27, Legare College Room 322, 4:00 p.m.

Pickering, Rangel and Payne Fellowships will be covered by Jen Bess. All three fellowships provide up to $90,000 for students to pursue graduate degrees related to international affairs, and who intend to pursue careers in the Foreign Service. Payne Fellowships are for students with a particular interest in being a USAID FSO. Application deadlines:

Pickering Undergraduate Deadline: late January, 2016
Pickering Graduate Deadline: early February, 2016
Rangel Deadline: January 13, 2016
Payne Deadline: January 19, 2016

Monday, Nov. 16, Gressette Room of Harper College, 4:00 p.m.

Marshall, Mitchell, and Rhodes Scholarship Workshop. Join us to learn about these most prestigious of all national fellowships, which offer students the opportunity for graduate study in the UK and Ireland for 1 or 2 years. Emphasizing academics, leadership, and public service, each of these awards require campus nomination. **Campus deadline for expressing intent to apply in the fall of 2016 will be April 1, 2016.**

Miss a workshop but still interested in applying this year? It’s not too late! Schedule an appointment with OFSP today to speak to an advisor about next steps for the Boren, Udall, or Critical Language Scholarship.

Special Upcoming Information Sessions:

Junior Outreach Information Sessions will be offered on Friday, Nov. 6 and Nov. 13 at noon in Legare 322. These will offer a brief overview of some of the fellowships juniors should consider as they approach senior year, including NSF, Fulbright, Rhodes, and Rotary.

Boren Representative Visit: **Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 3:00 p.m. in Russell House 305.** Join us in welcoming Susan Sharp, Assistant Director for the Boren Scholarships and Fellowships, for an information session. She will provide an overview and updates on the Boren competitions. This is a great opportunity to hear about the competition directly from the funding source!
Summer Opportunities for Freshmen and Sophomores: Monday, Nov. 23 at 4:00 p.m. in Legare 322. Get started on planning your summer activities with an overview of options for early college students, including NSF REUs, the UK Summer Fulbright, the DAAD RISE, and the Mount Vernon Fellows.

Upcoming fall national fellowships deadlines of note:

**Monday, Oct. 19, noon, OFSP Legare 220 for Goldwater campus nomination.** The [Goldwater Scholarship](mailto:ofsp@sc.edu) is the most prestigious national award for undergraduate students in the sciences, providing up to $7,500 to sophomores and juniors who are pursuing bachelors’ degrees in science, mathematics or engineering, and who have strong GPAs, research experience, and a commitment to a research career. Email OFSP ([ofsp@sc.edu](mailto:ofsp@sc.edu)) for a copy of the campus application.

**Tuesday, Oct. 20, noon, OFSP Legare 220 for Truman campus nomination.** The [Truman Scholarship](https://www.truman.org/) provides up to $30,000 to juniors (any major) preparing for a career in public service with demonstrated leadership, academic achievement, service accomplishments, and a commitment to public service.

October 26 – October 30, depending on discipline, **deadline for NSF GRF.** The [National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (NSF GRF)](https://www.nsfgrf.org/) offers approximately $132,000 to support 3 years of graduate work in the sciences.

**Thursday, Oct. 29** is the [American Occupational Therapy Foundation Scholarship Program](https://www.aotf.org/scholarship) deadline. A variety of scholarships are available to current members of the American Occupational Therapy Association. See website for more details.

**Saturday, Oct. 31** is the [DAAD Study deadline by 11 pm Central European Time (5 pm EST)](https://www.daad.de/). DAAD Study grants offer support for a year of independent study or a master’s degree in Germany.

**Saturday, Oct. 31** is the [South Carolina Wildlife Foundation](https://wff.sc.gov/) scholarship deadline. Offers $500 for undergraduate and graduate students pursuing environmental education at South Carolina schools of higher education. See website for more details.

**Sunday, Nov. 1, by 11:59 p.m. PST is the online application deadline for the Knowles Science Teaching Fellowship.** The Knowles provides a variety of support for new teachers of high school math and science.

**Sunday, Nov. 1** is the [American Scandinavian Fellowship](https://www.amscand.org/) application deadline, for up to $23,000 support for graduate students to pursue research, study or creative arts projects in one or more Scandinavian countries for up to one year.

**Wednesday, Nov. 4** is the [DAAD Research Grants deadline by 11 pm Central European Time (5 pm EST)](https://www.daad.de). DAAD Research grants support dissertation research, post-docs, or full PhD programs in Germany for one to 10 months (may be renewed up to 3 times for full PhD program candidates).

**Wednesday, Nov. 13 and Wednesday, Nov. 20,** are deadlines for [The Ford Foundation Fellowship Program](https://www.fordfoundation.org/): The Ford Foundation seeks to increase the diversity of the nation’s college and university
faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, to maximize the educational benefits of diversity, and to increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students. **Dissertation and Postdoctoral application due November 13, 2015.** Predoctoral application due November 20, 2015. Supplementary Materials for all levels must be received by January 8, 2016.

Monday, Nov. 23, is the [Critical Language Scholarship](https://www.sc.edu/success/clscholarship.html) (CLS) deadline. Students apply for an intensive summer language experience in one of 14 Critical Languages. Newly added this year is the opportunity to study Swahili at any level!

**Tuesday, Dec. 1** is the campus deadline for the [Carnegie Junior Fellows](https://www.sc.edu/success/cjf.html) program. This opportunity allows recent graduates to serve for one year as a research assistant to Senior Fellows at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, DC. USC may nominate up to two students per year. **This year, projects are available in the following areas:** Democracy and Rule of Law, Nuclear Policy, Energy and Climate, Middle East Studies, South Asian Studies, China Studies, Japan Studies, Southeast Asian Studies, Economics (Asia Program), and Russian/Eurasian Studies. Some projects require specific language and/or quantitative skills. **Applications are only available from OFSP.** Email [ofsp@sc.edu](mailto:ofsp@sc.edu) if you are interested.

**Thursday, January 7, 2016** is the deadline for both the [Humanity in Action Fellowship](https://www.sc.edu/success/humanityinaction.html) program and the [John Lewis Fellowship](https://www.sc.edu/success/johnlewis.html). The [Humanity in Action Fellowship](https://www.sc.edu/success/humanityinaction.html) brings together international groups of college students and recent graduates to explore national histories of injustice and resistance—including antisemitism, Islamophobia and racism—as they affect different minority groups today. Programs take place this summer in Amsterdam, Berlin, Copenhagen, Paris, and Warsaw. The [John Lewis Fellowship](https://www.sc.edu/success/johnlewis.html) takes place this summer in Atlanta, GA, and explores the history of the Civil Rights Movement, diversity and minority rights in the United States, with a particular focus on Atlanta. Key areas of inquiry include race and racism, immigration, national identity, Native American issues and the relationship between civil rights and human rights. The Fellowship will also discuss contemporary racial and diversity issues.

**Other Opportunities to Build a Competitive Profile**

**Out to Lunch Program:** Did you know that there are funds available for you to treat faculty members to lunch and get to know them outside the classroom? This is a great program to encourage you to develop relationships with faculty. Details are available here: [http://www.sc.edu/success/outtolunch.html](http://www.sc.edu/success/outtolunch.html)

**Coffee with an Intern:** Did you know that OFSP has student interns, current undergraduate winners of national fellowships, who you can invite out for conversation? Ever wonder what it’s REALLY like to apply for a Hollings or Goldwater? How do you talk about being prepared for an immersive program like the CLS? If you are thinking of applying for one of the competitions below, let us know (ofsp@sc.edu) if you would like to be connected with an OFSP intern. Coffee’s on us!

**Interns are available for the following competitions:**

- Critical Language Scholarship (CLS)
- NOAA Hollings
- DAAD RISE
- NSF GRFP
- Gilman
- Taiwan USA Alliance
- Goldwater
- Truman
- Mount Vernon Fellows
- Udall
USC CONNECT INCLUDING GRADUATION WITH LEADERSHIP DISTINCTION

It’s not too late for May graduates to complete Graduation with Leadership Distinction! Students must complete the on-line orientation and register with USC Connect by December 1. Seniors are encouraged to enroll in UNIV 401 to support their completion of requirements. Graduation with Leadership Distinction adds depth and value as students integrate what they have learned across their collegiate experiences with a focus on their major and professional goals. See their new website for further information: www.sc.edu/uscconnect

INFO

Don’t forget to check out INFO! Find a fellowship that fits your interest, then come see us to get started on the process!

Appointments can be made via our website:
To make an individual advising appointment: https://advisingappointments.sc.edu/OFSP/
To save a seat at a workshop: https://advisingappointments.sc.edu/OFSP-GRP/

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