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**Welcome back and happy first day of classes!**

Make a national fellowship application part of your 2016-2017 school year.

Where in the world can a national fellowship take you?

Here are some of the countries USC students have gone to via national fellowship funding over the last 3 years!

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**Upcoming Workshops:**

Reserve a seat at any upcoming workshop by clicking [here](#). Hear from faculty advisors and previous winners while learning about the application process for specific competitions. While workshops are primarily geared towards those who will be applying in the current year, students of any year are welcome to attend.
We will have an additional Introduction to National Fellowships on Friday, August 26th at 1 pm in the Gressette Room, 3rd Floor Harper College.

Our regular workshop schedule will begin with our Fulbright Application Workshop on Monday, August 22nd at 4 pm in Russell House Room 304. Fulbright grants allow students to spend a year abroad after graduation, teaching English, earning a graduate degree, or pursuing independent research. The campus deadline for Fulbright is August 29th, so please be in touch before the workshop if you are thinking of applying this year!

Our Truman Application Workshop is Monday, August 29th at 4 pm in Russell House Room 205. The Truman offers $30,000 for graduate school for those who plan a career in public service, and have a track record of leadership and service. Read about our 2016 Truman Scholar, Jory Fleming, here!

The Gilman, DAAD, Bridging, and Freeman-ASIA Scholarships Application Workshop is Tuesday, August 30th at 4 pm in Russell House Room 205. These competitions offer a variety of funding for various study abroad options. Gilman is specifically for those receiving Pell Grants, the DAAD offers a variety of options to Germany, the Bridging funds travel to Japan, and the Freeman-ASIA provides support for study abroad to East Asia.

The Gates-Cambridge Application Workshop is Wednesday, August 31st at 3:30 pm in the Gressette Room, 3rd floor of Harper College. The Gates-Cambridge funds a graduate degree at Cambridge University in the UK in any field. Successful applicants will demonstrate a commitment to improving the lives of others. Read about our 2016 Gates-Cambridge Scholar, Eric Bringley, here!

See our website for the full schedule of workshops!

Important Fellowship Deadlines:
Fulbright Campus Deadline is August 29th. Applications must be submitted via the Fulbright online system through Embark.
Schwarzman Campus Deadline is September 1st. Applicants must email OFSP their intent to apply by this date so that we can facilitate the institutional endorsement.

**Glamour Deadline is September 15th.** For current junior and senior women, you could be one of 10 College Women of the Year. The deadline is a receipt deadline for all application materials.

**Rangel Graduate Fellowship deadline is now September 19th** (4 months earlier than in the past!). The Rangel offers funding for graduate school to those who seek a career in the Foreign Service. They will be hosting two virtual information sessions to discuss the Fellowship, including program elements and the application process.

You can join the Google Hangout on the following dates:

Thursday, August 25, 3:00 - 4:00 PM EST – [Click here to join]

Monday, September 12, 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST – [Click here to join]

**GEM Fellowships** Part 1 due electronically on October 1st; final application due electronically Nov. 15 GEM offers opportunities for underrepresented minority students to obtain MS degrees in engineering and Ph.D. degrees in engineering and the natural and physical sciences through a program of paid summer internships and graduate financial assistance.

**Scoville Peace Fellowship deadline is October 5** for the spring 2017 fellowship program. The Scoville funds recent college and grad school graduates as fellows for six to nine months with various organizations in Washington, DC, focused on key issues of peace and security.

**Gilman deadline is October 4 for study abroad in the spring of 2017.** The Gilman offers up to $5000 of funding for study abroad to students who are recipients of Federal Pell Grants. Interested students should be sure to contact the Study Abroad Office.

**Bridging deadline is October 10 for study abroad in the spring of 2017.** The Bridging offers $2500 for a semester and $4000 for an academic year of study abroad to Japan. Summer programs are not eligible.

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**National Fellowship Peer Mentors:**
Our OFSP Intern program has become the Fellowships Peer Mentor program! We have 24 USC national fellowship winners and finalists on campus who would love to talk with you about their experiences, and offer insight and advice as you navigate your own applications.

Peer Mentors will be present at workshops, are available to take out for coffee and conversation, and will host drop-in hours throughout the year. More information and the drop-in schedule can be found on our website.

**Peer Mentors are available to talk about the following competitions:**
- Amgen
- CLS (Critical Language Scholarship)
- Gilman
- Goldwater
- Hollings
- Mount Vernon
- NIAF (National Italian American Foundation)
- NSF GRFP
- NSF REUs
- SMART (Science, Math, and Research for Transformation)
- Truman
- TUSA (Taiwan US Alliance)

If you don't see a competition listed that you'd like to talk with a Peer Mentor about, let us know. We have several alumni who are happy to talk about their experiences!

**Opportunities from Partner Offices and Departments:**

**Considering the Peace Corps?** Study Abroad is the home of USC's new Peace Corps Prep program. Geared towards helping students become more competitive Peace Corps applicants, this program focuses on helping you build 4 core competencies. Visit their website for more information.

Starting in September, the Department of Physics and Astronomy will host a Distinguished Lecture Series. They will begin with a series of public talks featuring renowned astronomer and author Dr. Mario Livio. More details can be found at physics.sc.edu/lectureseries. The first lecture will take place Wednesday, September 7th at 3:30 p.m. in the Ernest F. Hollings Special Collections Library. All are welcome.
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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