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Good luck to all our NSF GRFP applicants as they submit their applications next week!

Upcoming Workshops:

On Monday, November 7th we will gather at 4 p.m. in DeSaussure 228 for a session covering **Summer Opportunities for Freshmen and Sophomores**. This will include discussion of NSF REUs, the UK Summer Fulbright program, Mount Vernon Fellows, and the DAAD RISE.

Join us for our **Junior Outreach Session** on Wednesday, November 9th at 12 p.m. in DeSaussure 228. We'll be covering some of the key competitions that juniors should consider as they approach senior year - NSF GRFP, Fulbright, Rhodes, and Rotary. If you are a junior who will be abroad in the spring, we
Interested in a career with the Foreign Service? Come to our workshop for the Pickering, Rangel, and Payne Fellowships on Monday, November 14 at 4 p.m. in the Gressette Room of Harper College to learn how they support graduate work for those who hope to serve as a US FSO.

See our website for the full schedule of workshops.

Have a quick question about an upcoming application? We have scheduled drop-in hours for certain competitions on various Fridays this fall. All take place in DeSaussure 328, from 1 - 3 p.m.

- Boren and CLS drop-ins - Friday, Oct. 21
- Udall drop-ins - Friday, Oct. 28
- Hollings drop-ins - Friday, Nov. 11

Important Fellowship Deadlines:

NSF GRFP deadlines are from Monday, October 24th through Friday, October 28th, depending upon discipline.

Hertz deadline is Friday, October 28th. The Hertz provides funding for graduate degrees in the physical, biological, and engineering sciences.

The BAEF deadline is Monday, October 31st. The Belgian American Educational Foundation offers a one-year stipend to students pursuing MAs, PhDs, or post-doctoral work in Belgium.

The Soros Fellowship deadline is Tuesday, November 1st. Offers up to $90,000 to support up to two years of graduate study in any field and in any advanced degree-granting program in the United States for New Americans.

Grants and Fellowships from the American Scandinavian Foundation are due Tuesday, November 1st. The American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) offers fellowships (up to $23,000) and grants (up to $5,000) to individuals to pursue research, study or creative arts projects in one or more Scandinavian country for up to one year.
second year) of graduate degree work, while research grants offer funding for short or long term research projects in Germany.

The **Ford Foundation Fellowship** applications for dissertation and post-doctoral awards are due Thursday, November 10th, while the predoctoral award deadline is Thursday, November 17th. 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. Awards are made to those studying for a research-based PhD or ScD in a wide range of disciplines.

The **CLS** deadline is Wednesday, November 16th. This program provides a fully-funded, immersive language learning experience over the summer for students in one of 14 critical need languages.

The **Udall** campus nomination deadline is Thursday, November 17th. Awards $7,000 scholarships to college sophomores and juniors for leadership, public service, and commitment to issues related to Native American nations or to the environment.

The **JET program** (Japan Exchange and Teaching Program) online application AND postmark deadline is Friday, November 18th. The program supports those interested in teaching English in Japanese schools and government offices with transportation funding to Japan and an annual salary.

The newly renamed **James C. Gaither Junior Fellows Program** (formerly the **Carnegie Junior Fellows Program**) now has its 2016 application available. The Junior Fellows program selects approximately 12 applicants to work with the **Carnegie Endowment for International Peace** in Washington, DC for one year. The application materials are ONLY available by request from OFSP, and the campus deadline is Dec. 1, 2016. USC may only nominate up to 2 students.

Available projects for the 2017-2018 year are:

- **Democracy and Rule of Law**
- Cyber Policy Initiative
- Energy and Climate
- **Middle East Studies** – Strong reading fluency and the ability to perform academic as well as on-line research in Arabic essential. Strong background in Middle East politics and/or history is a huge plus.
- **South Asian Studies** – Applicants should be comfortable with quantitative data manipulation as well as possess an interest in military issues. A strong background in international relations theory, political theory, or international political economy is essential. A strong mathematical background is a plus.
- **China Studies (Asia Program)** – Mandarin Chinese reading skills a huge plus.
- **Japan Studies (Asia Program)** – Japanese reading skills required.
- **Economics (Asia Program)** – Mandarin Chinese reading skills a huge plus. Strong background in economics essential.
- **Russian/Eurasian Studies** – Excellent Russian reading skills required

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**National Fellowship Peer Mentors:**

Don't forget, we have 25 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. More information 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!

**Other Opportunities:**

The Udall Foundation is offering a variety of upcoming webinars for Udall applicants. Click on the links to register. Topics include:

- Application Tips for the Udall Scholarship
- Writing Great Essays over Winter Break
- Less than a month to go!: Udall Application Q&A

**Scholarship available for USC students to study in China**

Nanjing Medical University (NMU), Nanjing China is offering two scholarship programs for USC undergraduate and graduate students who are interested in studying health or a Chinese culture-related field in 2017.

- The first program, sponsored by the China Scholarship Council, offers USC students a scholarship of 2,500 Chinese Yuan per month to study or do research on the NMU campus from one to three months. The scholarship will cover living expenses including food and accommodation. Tuition for any NMU course work will be waived.
- The second program will cover the tuition (about 7,000 Chinese Yuan) and provide a 1,000 Chinese Yuan living allowance for USC students to attend NMU’s 3-week long summer school.

For further information and application process, please contact Dr. Christine Beyer (CEBEYER@mailbx.sc.edu or 803-777-5027) at South Carolina SmartState Center for Healthcare Quality (CHQ) at USC Arnold School of Public Health or Mr. Yu Zheng (zhengyu@njmu.edu.cn), Vice Dean, School of International Education, Nanjing Medical University.
Applications for the 2017 Humanity in Action Fellowship programs are now open!

- [John Lewis Fellowship](#) program in Atlanta, Georgia: July 5 - 30, 2017.

We invite applications from students and recent graduates of U.S. colleges and universities who are passionate about active and responsible citizenship, diversity and human rights. Current sophomores, juniors and seniors as well as graduates from the undergraduate classes of 2015 and 2016 are eligible. Applications for students and recent graduates from European universities will open in late fall.

The deadline to apply to these programs is **January 4, 2017 at 11:59pm PST**.

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

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Appointments can be made via our website.
To make an individual advising appointment: [https://advisingappointments.sc.edu/OFSP/](https://advisingappointments.sc.edu/OFSP/)
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