# GOVERNOR'S FELLOWS PROGRAM in LOUISIANA GOVERNMENT



Baton Rouge Area Foundation

A Partnership with Louisiana's Office of the Governor, Louisiana State University,

Southern University and the Baton Rouge Area Foundation

The Governor's Fellows Program in Louisiana Government is an opportunity for college and university students to experience public policy in action, learn the rich history and current affairs of Louisiana government, and earn three hours of academic credit. Each Fellow will be assigned to a cabinet-level agency in Baton Rouge. Fellows will have the opportunity to gain valuable experience by collaborating with agency leaders on existing projects, observing firsthand the Governor's leadership strategies, learning how state policies are developed and advanced within the context of economic drivers and social and geopolitical concerns. Fellows will also participate in a weekly speaker series and field trips designed to enhance their overall experience and understanding of Louisiana government and current affairs.

#### **BENEFITS TO PARTICIPATING FELLOWS:**

- Student housing on LSU's campus in Baton Rouge, Louisiana (participants are encouraged to stay on campus)
- Three hours of course credit offered through LSU's Public Administration Institute
- Up to a \$1,500 stipend for additional expenses

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION:**

- Undergraduate students who have completed their sophomore year; Graduate students who have completed at least one year of their degree program (e.g., MPA, JD, MSW, etc.)
- Currently enrolled in a public degree-granting institution in Louisiana; or, a Louisiana resident enrolled in an out of state public degree-granting institution
- Good academic standing with an overall G.P.A. of 3.0 or equivalent
- Demonstrated leadership and commitment to public service, volunteerism and political involvement
- Ethical standards, including professional discretion and adherence to confidentialities
- Strong commitment to personal growth, good government and nonpartisanship

## APPLICATION AND INTERVIEW PROCEDURES:

Interested applicants must complete an application at <u>gov.louisiana.gov/fellows</u> and attach the following documents:

- Certified transcript
- Complete resume including education and employment history
- Letter of professional recommendation from a professor or supervisor
- Letter of personal recommendation not from a family member
- Two page maximum essay focusing on a specific policy issue, cabinet position or community program within the Governor's Office. Your statement should outline the significance of being chosen as a Fellow and what you envision the Fellowship meaning to your educational and professional goals. To the best extent possible, Fellows will be placed within their area of focus.

### FELLOWS PROGRAM TIMELINE:

May 7, 2018 May 14, 2018 May 30, 2018 August 3, 2018 Application Deadline Notifiy Chosen Fellows Orientation Graduation

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE EMAIL:** Roz Moore, Fellows Coordinator, <u>roz.moore@la.gov</u> Dr. Jared Llorens, Director & Associate Professor, LSU Public Administration Institute, <u>pai@lsu.edu</u>