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, and 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 degree-granting institution in Louisiana; or, a Louisiana resident enrolled in an out of state 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:

- Complete transcript
- Resume including education and employment history
- Letter of professional recommendation from a professor or supervisor
- Letter of personal recommendation not from a family member
- 500 word statement focusing on a specific policy issue or cabinet position within the Governor's Office. Your statement should outline the significance of your choice and how, based upon your education and experience, you could enhance or further the goals of that specific office or policy issue. Your essay may either focus on a current issue or suggest a new policy. To the best extent possible, Fellows will be placed within their area of focus.

FELLOWS PROGRAM TIMELINE:

March 1, 2019 March 25, 2019 May 28, 2019 Aug. 9, 2019

Application Deadline Notifiy Chosen Fellows Program Begins Program Concludes

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>