

The Castleberry Peace Institute and PSCI
Undergraduate Research Fellows Program
Application Due Date: February 28, 2020

The Castleberry Peace Institute and the Department of Political Science announce the availability of two Research Fellowships of \$1,000 each for the academic year 2019-2020. Students who receive the stipend and successfully complete two semesters of research are designated PSCI and CPI *Undergraduate Research Fellows*.

Each student selected as a Research Fellow will be engaged in a well-defined research project for which there are clear expectations and responsibilities and an outcome goal. Student research projects can focus on any field in political science, such as American politics, international relations, government and politics around the world, and political theory. The Fellow must be committed to at least five hours of research per week under the direction of a UNT Faculty member and each Fellow is strongly encouraged to sign up for a directed readings course (PSCI 4900 with their faculty mentor, or PSCI 4954, the Research Capstone course). Students should expect to be assigned research tasks to carry out for their faculty mentor, while faculty mentors should expect to supervise and educate students in the research process. Each Fellow may hold the award for only two semesters during his/her academic career. Fellows who co-author conference papers with their faculty mentor will receive an additional \$500 to be used to fund conference travel. Faculty who co-author with their student will receive an additional \$500 in travel funds from the department.

Scope of the Work: The fellowship is designed to foster work that is integrated into the faculty mentor's ongoing research, but also reflects the students' unique interests. Successful applicants will include in their proposal a commitment to engage in at least one of the following activities during the period of the award or immediately beyond:

- Presentation of a research paper at an academic or scholarly conference;
- Submission of an article co-authored with the faculty mentor for publication; or
- Presentation of a paper or poster at University Scholars Day.

Eligibility: Research Fellowships are for political science majors who have 1) earned at least 60 credit hours; 2) earned at least 12 credit hours in PSCI including PSCI 2305, 2306, 2300 and the introductory course in their area of study: PSCI 2305/2306 for American; PSCI 3810 for International Relations; PSCI 3600 for Governments and Politics around the World or PSCI 3310 or 3320 for Political Theory; and 3) have at least a 3.0 grade point average.

Fellows will be selected by a committee whose membership will be representative of the fields of Political Science and chosen by the Director of the Castleberry Peace Institute in consultation with the Department Chair. Students selected as Undergraduate Research Fellows will be notified by e-mail and provided guidance for beginning their semester of work as a Research Fellow.

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Cover Sheet for Application

A. STUDENT INFORMATION

Name _____
ID # _____
E-mail _____
Telephone _____
Major(s) _____

B. FACULTY MENTOR INFORMATION

Name _____
Department _____
E-mail _____
Telephone _____

C. PREPARATION OF APPLICATION

Please submit this cover sheet to which you have attached the following documents:

1. A transcript of all college work to date; (Unofficial is fine.)
2. A summary of your research plan, including the scope and focus of your research, your primary research questions, and research methods to be employed (three pages maximum);
3. A statement from your faculty mentor indicating he/she is available and willing to work with you during the semester of your fellowship, and the anticipated scope of your assistantship (two pages maximum).

Applications must be submitted via email to meernik@unt.edu by 5 p.m. on February 28, 2020. Students selected to be Undergraduate Research Fellows will be notified by e-mail by April 15, 2020.
