

D.C. FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

HISTORY

The **History D.C. Fellowship** program offers you the opportunity to LIVE, LEARN, and INTERN in Washington D.C. with this \$5,000 award.

Gain real-world experience through impactful internships in our nation's capital. Enhance your understanding of history, policy, diplomacy, legislation, government, communication, and politics. Network with and make meaningful connections with experienced professionals and alumni from across a range of fields. Develop valuable professional skills that will help launch your career after graduation.

The D.C. Fellowship will culminate with a creative capstone project that includes the knowledge and skills gained during their internship. As part of the D.C. Fellowship, the award recipient will work with a faculty mentor from the Department of History to develop the capstone project during Spring, Summer and Fall semesters.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- \$5000 stipend
- Faculty mentorship
- Capstone project that could be included on resume or in professional portfolio
- Participate in the Boilers Go to D.C. Summer Scholars Internship Program
 - Career readiness training
 - Alumni mentorship
 - Professional networking opportunities
 - Housing included

ELIGIBILITY

- Full-time undergraduate student majoring in History (any concentration) in the Department of History and in good standing with Purdue University
- Sophomore, junior, or senior with a graduation date of December 2026 or later

IMPORTANT DATES

- November 3: Applications due
- May 7, 2026: Students must accept and confirm in writing an in-person internship in Washington, D.C.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants must submit the following:

- Completed application: bit.ly/HIST_DCFellowship
- Resume or CV with current GPA
- Cover Letter describing background, interest in the fellowship, and what you would like to achieve with the program
- copy of university transcript
- 2 Letters of Recommendation from current or previous instructors to be sent by the recommender to Andrea Langrish, alangris@purdue.edu
- Interviews for top candidates will be conducted by the Department of History.

PROGRAM DETAILS

- The Department of History will select the award recipient
- Students will work with a History faculty member to design a creative internship capstone project to be completed by December 1, 2026
 - Example capstone projects include:
 - Informational presentation on career readiness (i.e, how to get an internship in D.C., policy research on Capitol Hill, writing for thinktanks etc.) – can be in written, video or podcast format
 - Research project on an academic major topic or theory as it applied to the internship or existing faculty guided research
 - Reflection of the internship experience, the skills acquired, challenges, personal growth, professional development, lessons learned, etc. – can be in written, video or podcast format
 - Internship report highlighting specific tasks, projects, duties and responsibilities, achievements, etc...
- The Center for C-SPAN Scholarship & Engagement in cooperation with the Department of History will provide resources, career training, and mentoring to students as they pursue and secure internship opportunities
- Students must enroll in and successfully complete the requirements of the Boilers Go to D.C. Summer Scholars Internship Program course
 - Students will be matched with an alumni mentor in their field of interest
 - Students are responsible for fees associated with course – scholarships available

AWARD INFORMATION

- Award funds will be placed directly into the award recipient's bursar account
- Award funds must be used for 2026 Summer Semester and can be used for:
 - Living or travel expenses related to D.C. internship
 - Course fees related to the Boilers Go to D.C. Summer Scholars Internship Program

QUESTIONS

Please send any questions to Andrea Langrish, Managing Director at langrish@purdue.edu.

