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# D.C. FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

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School of  
LANGUAGES and CULTURES

The **School of Languages and Cultures 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 with this prestigious award. Enhance your understanding of policy, diplomacy, legislation, government, research, history, communication, and politics. Network with and make meaningful connections with experienced professionals and alumni 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 School of Languages and Cultures 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 one of the academic disciplines (any concentration) in the School of Languages and Cultures and in good standing with Purdue University
- Sophomore, junior, or senior with a graduation date of December 2025 or later

## IMPORTANT DATES

- November 14: Applications due
- May 7, 2025: 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/SLC\\_DCFellowship](https://bit.ly/SLC_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](mailto:alangris@purdue.edu)

## PROGRAM DETAILS

- The School of Languages and Cultures will select award recipient.
- Students will work with a faculty member from the School of Languages and Cultures to design a creative internship capstone project to be completed by December 1, 2025
- Language majors will complete a portion of the capstone project in their academic language of study - language portion of the capstone project must be approved by the faculty mentor
  - Example capstone projects include:
    - Informational presentation on career readiness (i.e, how to get an internship in D.C., policy research on Capitol Hill, researching and writing for thinktanks etc.) – can be in written, video or podcast format
    - Research project on an academic-major topic, language, 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...
    - Data for the capstone project can include the following examples: internship reflections, interviews, articles, survey data, digital media, etc...
- The Center for C-SPAN Scholarship & Engagement in cooperation with the School of Languages and Cultures 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 2025 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 John Sundquist, [jsundqui@purdue.edu](mailto:jsundqui@purdue.edu).