

Scholarships, Fellowships and Internships for Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies 2017

Scholarships and Fellowships

[Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship](#)

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies or credit-bearing, career-oriented internships abroad. Such international exchange is intended to better prepare U.S. students to assume significant roles in an increasingly global economy and interdependent world.

Spring Programs: The spring application cycle is for programs that generally start between December 15 and April 15, and coincide with your home institution's or your international program's spring calendar. This cycle encompasses spring semester, quarter, calendar year, winter inter-session and January term programs that are a minimum of four weeks, two weeks for current community college students, in length.

[View Spring Timeline](#)

Summer Programs: The Gilman Program offers two summer application cycles for programs that generally start between May 1 and August 1 that are a minimum of four weeks, two weeks for current community college students, in length and coincide with your home institution's or your international program's summer calendar. Summer cycles encompass summer and May term programs.

[View Summer Timelines](#)

Fall and Academic Year Programs: The fall application cycle is for programs that generally start between July 15 and October 15, and coincide with your home institution's or your international program's fall calendar. This cycle encompasses fall semester, quarter, and academic year programs that are a minimum of four weeks, two weeks for current community college students, in length.

[View Fall/AY Timeline](#)

For more information [Click Here](#)

[Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellowship](#)

The Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellowship Program invites recent college and graduate school alumni to apply for full-time, six-to-nine month fellowships in Washington, DC. Outstanding individuals will be selected to work with nonprofit, public-interest organizations addressing peace and security issues. Applications are especially encouraged from candidates with a strong interest in these issues who have prior experience with public-interest activism or advocacy.

Deadlines: The deadline for receipt of all application materials is:

Fall 2017 Fellowship—January 6, 2017

Spring 2018 Fellowship—October 2, 2017

Starting Dates for Fellowship:

Spring Fellowship—begin between January 15 and April 1

Fall Fellowship—begin between July 15 and October 1

For more information [Click Here](#)

[The National Security Education Program](#)

The David L. Boren National Security Education Act of 1991 mandated that the Secretary of Defense create and sustain a program to award scholarships to U.S. undergraduate students; fellowships to U.S. graduate students; and grants to U.S. institutions of higher education. These awards are for study or program development in languages and regions critical to national security. Based on this legislation, the National Security Education Program (NSEP) was established.

Initiatives of National Security Education Program:

- **[David L. Boren Scholarships](#)**

NSEP awards David L. Boren Scholarships to outstanding U.S. undergraduates through a competitive national merit-based process. Since 1994, NSEP has awarded approximately 3,500 Boren Scholarships. Each Boren Scholar goes abroad to a critical country to study its language and culture. Awards are for up to one academic year. Boren Scholars demonstrate their merit for an award of up to \$20,000 in part by committing to work for the U.S. Government for at least one year.

Application Deadline: The Boren Scholarship national application deadline is February 9, 2017.

For more information [Click Here](#)

- **[David L. Boren Fellowships](#)**

NSEP awards Boren Fellowships to outstanding U.S. graduate students through a competitive national merit-based process. Since 1994, NSEP has awarded over 2,100

Boren Fellowships to degree-seeking masters and doctoral students. Boren Fellowships are granted to motivated individuals who develop independent overseas projects that combine language and culture study with professional practical experiences. Awards for up to \$24,000 over two years are given to applicants who demonstrate the highest intellectual and professional capacity along with a commitment to U.S. Government service for at least one year. Former Boren Scholars may compete for Boren Fellowships.

Application Deadline: The Boren Fellowship national application deadline is January 31, 2017.

For more information [Click Here](#)

The Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program

Funded by the U.S. Department of State and administered by The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, the Thomas R. Pickering Fellowship Program provides undergraduate and graduate students with financial support, mentoring and professional development to prepare them academically and professionally for a career in the U.S. Department of State Foreign Service. Women, members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, and students with financial need are encouraged to apply.

Application Timeline:

Pickering Application Deadline:	January 13, 2017
Pickering Selection Interviews:	April 2017
Notification of Selection as a Fellow:	April 2017
Deadline for Accepting Fellowship Offer:	April 2017
Orientation for 2017 Pickering Fellows:	June 2017
Begin first Pickering-funded year of school:	August 2017
Domestic Internship:	Summer 2018
Begin second Pickering-funded year of school:	August 2018
Overseas Internship:	Summer 2019
Enter Foreign Service (Graduate Fellows):	September 2019
Enter Foreign Service (Undergraduate Fellows):	Summer 2020

For more Information [Click Here](#)

The Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program

The Rangel Program is a collaborative effort between Howard University and the U.S. State Department that seeks to attract and prepare outstanding young people for careers as diplomats in the Foreign Service of the U.S. Department of State. The program seeks individuals interested in helping to shape a freer, more secure and prosperous world through formulating, representing, and implementing U.S. foreign policy. The Program encourages the application of members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need.

There are two major components to the Rangel Program:

- **Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship Program** that provides support for graduate school, professional development, and entry into the U.S. Foreign Service.

The Rangel Graduate Fellowship is a program that aims to attract and prepare outstanding young people for careers in the Foreign Service in which they can help formulate, represent and implement U.S. foreign policy. The Rangel Program will select 30 outstanding Rangel Fellows annually in a highly competitive nationwide process and helps support them through two years of graduate study, internships and professional development activities, and entry into the Foreign Service. This program encourages the application of members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need. Fellows who successfully complete the program and Foreign Service entry requirements will receive appointments as Foreign Service Officers, one of the most exciting and rewarding careers available.

Application Deadline: Received by September 19, 2016

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- **Rangel Undergraduate International Affairs Summer Enrichment Program** that provides undergraduates with the opportunity to enhance their skills, knowledge and understanding about U.S. foreign policy during a six-week summer program at Howard University.

The Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Summer Enrichment Program is a six-week summer program designed to provide undergraduate students with a deeper appreciation of current issues and trends in international affairs, a greater understanding of career opportunities in international affairs, and the enhanced knowledge and skills to pursue such careers. The Program usually selects 15 participants (known as “Rangel Scholars”) each year from universities throughout the United States. Students live at Howard University, attend classes, and participate in a variety of programs with foreign affairs professionals at Howard and at diverse locations around Washington, DC.

Application Deadline: Received by February 2, 2017

For more information [Click Here](#)

[HRH Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Fellows Program](#)

In 2015, the National Council established the **HRH Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Fellows Program** to enable emerging American educators to visit Saudi Arabia and the Arab Gulf countries.

The fellowship program is designed to expose a new generation of American college and university faculty members to the Arab world through National Council study visits. The visits empower the educators to become ambassadors of goodwill who can transmit increased knowledge and understanding of the Arab world so as to counter any imagined "clash of civilizations" as well as counteract false stereotypes of Arab culture and civilization that have

tainted American understanding of Islam and the Arab world.

For more information [Click Here](#)

Joseph J. Malone Fellowship in Arab and Islamic Studies

The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations is pleased to offer, through its Joseph J. Malone Fellowship in Arab and Islamic Studies Program, the **Twenty-First Annual Oman Cultural Immersion study visit to the Sultanate of Oman, February 24 – March 8, 2017**. Fellows are required to participate in and complete a pre-departure orientation in Washington, D.C. to be held on February 22-23. This unique opportunity will provide a privileged first hand exposure to one of the Arab world's most demographically, geographically, and socially diverse countries.

Application Deadline: no later than January 15, 2017

For more information [Click Here](#)

Jack G. Shaheen Mass Communications Scholarship Awards for Arab American Students

The purpose is to honor Arab American students who excel in media studies. Eligibility criteria is as follows: College students enrolled in the 2016-2017 academic year majoring in journalism, radio, television, and/or film, and who are juniors, seniors, or in graduate school.

Application Deadline: March 30, 2016

For more information [Click Here](#)

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace: James C. Gaither Junior Fellows Program

Each year the endowment offers approximately 10-12 one-year fellowships to uniquely qualified graduating seniors and individuals who have graduated during the past academic year. They are selected from a pool of nominees from close to 400 participating colleges. Carnegie junior fellows work as research assistants to the endowment's senior associates. Those who have begun graduate studies are not eligible for consideration. See your school's [nominating official](#) to learn more about the college application process.

Timeline for the Application:

First Week of October: Application materials sent via email to nominating officials

October through mid-January: Schools conduct nominating process. Application deadlines vary by school.

January 15: Applications must be received by Carnegie.

February through early March: Selected applicants interviewed.

March 31: Selections made and candidates notified.

For more information [Click Here](#)

Council on Foreign Relations Fellowships

The Council on Foreign Relations' (CFR) Fellowship Program offers unique opportunities for mid-career professionals focusing on international relations. The program affords fellows the opportunity to broaden their perspective of foreign affairs and to pursue proposed research, with a placement at either CFR or another institution in New York City or Washington, DC.

Fellows are recruited year-round. The duration of each fellowship is generally twelve months. The program awards a stipend, which varies with each fellowship. Fellows are considered independent contractors rather than employees of CFR.

For more information [Click Here](#)

Center for Contemporary Arab Studies: QATAR SCHOLARSHIP

On annual basis, Qatar University offers short scholarships for qualified applicants to study in the Arabic for Non-native speakers center as a one year certificate. Applying for the scholarship is highly competitive; the acceptance is subject to the number of applicants and available scholarships. Short scholarships are available for students from outside Qatar only.

For more Information [Click Here](#)

Rand Corporation Fellowships

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For more information [Click Here](#)

Washington Institute for Near East Policy Soref Fellowship

The Washington Institute's Soref fellowship, a one-year research position with full stipend, is

designated primarily for individuals who have already earned a master's or doctoral degree in U.S. foreign policy or Middle East studies. Applications are also welcome from those with some years of experience post-degree, such as university assistant professors.

The fellowship is designed for those who are considering a career in government or journalism rather than in academia; it is not meant as a dissertation fellowship. Soref fellows conduct independent research and acquire first-hand knowledge of U.S. Middle East policymaking, contributing written analyses to the Institute's PolicyWatch series and publishing longer studies as monographs. The Washington Institute studies the Middle East in order to better support U.S. policy in the region, not to better understand its peoples. Research proposals, therefore, should cover a topic relevant to U.S. Middle East policymakers. Nationals of all countries are welcome to apply.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[SALAM 2017: Summer Arabic Language and Media Program](#)

The Sultan Qaboos Cultural Center (SQCC) is delighted to announce its 2017 Summer Arabic Language and Media (SALAM) program, a fully-funded intensive Arabic language scholarship program. SALAM 2017 will be held at the Sultan Qaboos College for Teaching Arabic Language to Non-native Speakers in Manah, Oman. This intensive Arabic language program will allow students to gain a deeper knowledge of Arabic, while becoming familiar with Omani history and culture.

Application Deadline: January 10, 2017

For more information [Click Here](#)

FINANCIAL AID AT FSU: <http://financialaid.fsu.edu/types-aid>

OFFICE OF NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP AT FSU: <http://onf.fsu.edu>

WINTHROP-KING SCHOLARSHIPS- Arabic Scholarship:
<http://www.winthropking.fsu.edu/Undergraduate-Scholarships/arabic-scholarship>

Internships

[Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee Research Institute Anthony Shadid Internship Program](#)

Since 1981, over 500 students have participated in the intern program of the [ADC Research Institute \(ADCRI\)](#). Students from all over the country gather at the national office in Washington, DC, each year to gain first-hand experience and knowledge about ADC issues and campaigns. The intern program offers a variety of positions for leadership development. It educates students on issues of civil rights, the Arab heritage, and current events in the Middle East. It empowers them to educate others. Students gain practical training in community organizing, media relations, research and writing, legal issues, political action, educational outreach, and routine office work alongside our regular professional staff.

Summer internships: Applications for Summer internships with the Legal Department are due by **March 23**. Later applications will be considered, but early applicants will be given priority.

Semester Internships: Volunteer positions for course credit are available during the academic year and are arranged on a case-by-case basis. The deadline for applications are **August 2** (extended until filled) for Fall, and **December 30** for Spring. Legal Department deadlines for application are: **August 29** for Fall, **December 30** for Spring.

For more information [click here](#)

[The National Council Fellowships: Washington, DC Summer Internship Program](#)

The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations' **Washington, DC Summer Internship Program** offers undergraduate and graduate students a ten-week professional, academic, and career opportunity internship in the Nation's Capital. The program features an energizing and demanding mix of professional involvement, intellectual challenge, career exploration, and cultural encounter designed to provide interns with a rich and varied experience during their time in Washington.

Application Deadline: All materials must be postmarked by Friday, February 24, 2017.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[National Council Academic Year Internship Opportunities](#)

Fall - Spring Internships at the Council's Washington, DC Office. The National Council offers internship opportunities at the Council's Washington, DC office during the academic year (fall-spring). Applications for an internship during the academic year are accepted on a rolling basis.

For more information [Click Here](#)

American Enterprise Institute

AEI internships provide students with an opportunity to work directly with some of America's most renowned scholars, economists, political scientists, and foreign policy specialists conducting research on today's prominent public policy questions. The Institute provides an intellectually stimulating environment, rich with critical thinking, scholarship, and lively debate.

Our internships offer opportunities on the research side of the Institute (Economics, Health Care, Poverty Studies, Foreign and Defense Policy, Education, Politics and Public Opinion, Society and Culture) as well as on the business side (Executive Office, Development, Government Relations, External Affairs, Media Relations, Video Production, Accounting, Academic Programs, and Communications).

AEI internships are available in the Fall, Spring, and Summer to experienced undergraduate students, graduate students, and recent graduates. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required; however, most successful candidates have at least a 3.5 GPA.

For more information [Click Here](#)

Internship in the American Task Force on Palestine

Working at the American Task Force on Palestine provides a unique perspective of a Washington, DC-based advocacy organization. ATFP is a non-partisan, not-for-profit corporation that aims to articulate the national security interests of the United States in establishing a Palestinian state. Located in the heart of the nation's capitol just blocks away from the White House, ATFP is a non-profit organization involved in the establishment of a democratic state of Palestine.

We typically accept interns for the winter, summer, and fall on a part time or full time basis.

For more information [Click Here](#)

Brookings Internship Program

The Brookings Internship program provides an opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students from diverse backgrounds to engage in career exploration and development as well as a chance to learn new skills.

The mission of the Internship program is to provide students and recent graduates with a pre-professional, meaningful and practical work experience related to the student's field of study or career interest. Interns may work with Brookings staff in our research areas- Economic Studies, Foreign Policy, Global Economy and Development, Governance Studies, and Metropolitan Policy. Brookings also offers students the opportunity to intern in departments such as communications, human resources and central operations management.

For more information [Click Here](#)

Cato Institute Internship

Are you trying to break into a career in policy, communications, or law? Do you want a rich education in contemporary policy issues—and the philosophical, historic, and economic underpinnings of those issues? A Cato internship might be right for you.

Cato internships are for undergraduates, recent graduates, graduate students, law students, and early-career professionals who have a strong commitment to individual liberty, limited government, free markets, and peace—principles that, taken together, constitute libertarianism, known alternately as “classical liberalism,” “market liberalism,” or, to many of our international friends, just “liberalism.”

Application Deadlines:

Fall Semester: Early September to late December

- Completed application by June 27; you will be notified by July 21.
- International applicants: Completed application by June 1; you will be notified by June 30.

Spring Semester: Late January to late April

- Completed application by November 1; you will be notified by December 1.
- International applicants: Completed application by September 30; you will be notified by November 1.

Summer Semester: Early June to late August

- Completed application by February 21; you will be notified by March 21.
- International applicants: Completed application by February 21; you will be notified by March 21.

For more information [Click Here](#)

Center for American Progress Internship

One very important goal of American Progress is to inspire, train, and educate the next generation of progressive Americans. American Progress offers full- and part-time internships each summer and academic semester. All undergraduate and master's-level students and J.D. and Ph.D. candidates are eligible to apply. Successful applicants will be bright, highly motivated scholars with strong academic records and an interest and aptitude for public policy and/or political communication.

Suggested application deadlines:

Fall 2016: Rolling

Winter/Spring 2017: November 1, 2016
Summer 2017: February 1, 2017

For More Information [Click Here](#)

[Center for New American Security: Joseph S. Nye, Jr. National Security Internship and Mentoring Program](#)

The Center for a New American Security (CNAS) established its flagship internship and mentoring program in honor of Dr. Joseph S. Nye, Jr., who has devoted his career to the preparation and mentoring of generations of Americans and global strategists. The Joseph S. Nye, Jr. National Security Internship seeks to follow Dr. Nye's leadership in this area by offering a rigorous internship program involving policy research, writing, exposure to national policy debates and decisionmakers, and professional development.

CNAS offers full-time (40 hrs/week) internships. In rare cases, part-time External Relations internships may be arranged. Competition for the six to eight spots is highly competitive. Interns work closely with CNAS staff and are given considerable responsibility. Participants are chosen based on merit in an open, competitive process.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[Center for Strategic and International Studies Internship](#)

CSIS offers full and part-time internships in the fall, spring, and summer for undergraduates, advanced students, and recent graduates who are interested in gaining practical experience in public policy.

CSIS accepts applications on a rolling basis for every position listed on our career page. The listing will be available until the hiring manager for the open position has found an applicant to fill the position, or the hiring manager has received more than enough qualified applications and has started the interview stage of the hiring process.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[Council on Foreign Relations Volunteer Internship](#)

The Council on Foreign Relations' Internship Program offers outstanding volunteer opportunities for college students and graduate students focusing on international relations and who are pursuing a career in foreign policy or a related field.

Volunteer interns are recruited year-round on a semester basis to volunteer in both the New York and Washington, DC, offices, and all volunteer internships are filled on a rolling basis. An

intern's volunteer duties generally consist of program coordination, research, editing, and writing.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[Heritage Foundation Young Leaders Program Internship](#)

The Young Leaders Program is a 12-15 week internship program that provides a full educational program while at The Heritage Foundation. Working up to 37.5 hours, an intern has the opportunity to learn from experts in a variety of fields by way of policy briefings, in-house mentorship, accountability of work, and a First Principles Series.

Application Deadlines:

Fall: June 15

Spring: October 10

Summer: February 1

For more information [Click Here](#)

[International Crisis Group Internship and Volunteering](#)

Crisis Group offers exceptional opportunities for recent undergraduate and graduate students. As a volunteer or intern you will be able to take what you've learned in university and use it to make a practical contribution towards the prevention and resolution of deadly conflict. Opportunities generally last 3 – 6 months depending on the location, and provide individuals with a rewarding, hands-on experience. These opportunities range from working on research projects with field analysts in Dakar, Bishkek and Bogota to working with our EU/UN/U.S. advocacy teams in Brussels/New York/Washington to organizing major events as part of our development team or supporting our communications team in the Brussels headquarters. Internships and volunteer opportunities are unpaid; we do contribute towards costs for lunch and daily transport.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[Middle East Institute: The Leadership Development Internship Program](#)

The Leadership Development Internship Program at the Middle East Institute is designed to provide students or recent graduates considering a career in a Middle East related field with hands-on experience at a Washington, DC-based, nonprofit organization that focuses exclusively on the Middle East. Interns obtain guidance, experience, and exposure to the Washington policy and scholarly community while developing professional skills with interns from all over the world.

Application Deadline:

The deadlines for applications are:
Fall (September – December): July 7
Spring (January– May): November 15
Summer (June – August): March 15

For more information [Click Here](#)

[The National Security Archive Internship](#)

The National Security Archive, an independent, non-profit research institute and library, is offering internships to students who are interested in international relations and how the U.S. foreign policy bureaucracy functions. Applications are accepted from students at any point in their college career, as well as from graduate students and recent college graduates. Later applications will be considered whenever possible, however it is strongly suggested that summer applications be submitted by the application deadline to receive full consideration.

Application Deadline:

For Summer internships, the application deadline is March 15.
Fall internships begin in early September; we suggest that applications be submitted by the end of July.
Spring internships begin in January; students should apply by December 1 if possible.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[Rand Corporation Internships](#)

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[Washington Institute for Near East Policy Internship](#)

Full-time and part-time research internships at The Washington Institute are open to current

undergraduates as well as recent graduates with a bachelor's degree. Interns provide research and administrative support to Institute staff.

Application Deadlines:

Fall (September to December): July 15
Winter/Spring (January to May): November 1
Summer (June to August): April 1

For more information [Click Here](#)

[Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Internships](#)

The Center offers a wide range of internship opportunities to current, recent, or returning college students. There are at least 80-90 interns at the Center at any given time. Availability of positions generally corresponds to the beginning of the fall, spring and summer terms. Most internships are unpaid. The Woodrow Wilson Center has two different internship programs with separate applications and deadlines. Many interns are research assistants for our visiting scholars, contributing directly to research on a wide range of projects. Other interns work in staff and program offices. Wilson Center interns have the opportunity to develop both research and professional skills, and to participate in the numerous activities and events held at the Center.

For more information [Click Here](#)

[The Washington Center](#)

Since 1975, The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars has helped more than 50,000 students from around the world gain valuable experience, and set them on a course of achievement, leadership and engagement in their communities. In a recent survey, 98% of TWC interns said our program significantly strengthened their career prospects.

For more information: [Click Here](#)