Science Policy Fellowship Program

About the Program

This two-year fellowship provides recent bachelor’s degree recipients with a unique opportunity to use their critical thinking and analytic skills to work on a diverse set of challenges in science and technology (S&T) policy areas, including space sciences, innovation and competitiveness, energy, health and life sciences, national security, biotechnology, information technologies, and STEM education. Fellows will be involved in collaborative research with the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) and other Federal Government organizations, such as the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health.

What to Expect

IDA Science and Technology Policy Institute (STPI) fellows work with teams of researchers to support a wide variety of S&T policy-related tasks. Over the course of the fellowship, fellows will have opportunities to develop professionally through the following types of activities:

- Participation in analyses that support tasking from Federal Government policymakers
- Interaction with OSTP and other Federal science agency personnel
- Involvement in workshops and discussion on relevant topics
- Mentorship from members of the STPI research staff
- Training on specific analytical methods and tools
- Attendance and presentation at select professional society meetings

Who Should Apply?

Those with excellent written and oral communication skills, a strong background in their field, ability to work with diverse teams, and an interest in learning more about how S&T interacts with policy are encouraged to apply. This is a full-time position and is only open to recent recipients of a bachelor’s or master’s degree. Candidates with degrees in engineering, life sciences, physical sciences, social and behavioral sciences, computer science, mathematical sciences, statistics, and learning sciences are encouraged to apply. Candidates with MA/MS degrees should apply if their bachelor’s degrees were conferred within the May 2016–July 2018 timeframe. U.S. citizenship is required.

Apply at:
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Applications must be received by January 12, 2018.

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