

**University of Louisville
Department of Political Science**

Experiential Learning Fund Grants

The goal of the Experiential Learning Fund is to provide more students with opportunity to pursue internships, research, or study abroad programs that may otherwise be out of reach due to financial constraints. Applicants must submit an updated resume, personal statement outlining their personal goals, desired program, how their grant will be used, and an estimated budget. Applicants must be Political Science undergraduate or graduate students at the University of Louisville, pursuing a degree, and have a minimum GPA of 3.0 at the time of application. Priority is given to those students who have not received this award previously. All information is required. The funding period is May 1, 2023, to April 30, 2024.

Priority Deadline: February 17th, 2022
Applications will be accepted after this date until all funds have been awarded

Please select which program you are applying for:

- Ford Hall Goes to Washington (FHGTW): Internships in Washington D.C. are incredible resume-building opportunities for students who want to work in politics, but low pay and the high cost of living in D.C. can make these internships unattainable for many students. Sponsored by the Political Science Alumni Council, FHGTW will fund up to \$4,000 toward living expenses for students who plan to complete an internship in Washington D.C.
Note: you must be accepted to an internship in Washington D.C. to receive this award
- Research and Conference Grants: Student research opportunities are central to the Department of Political Science's mission, but funding for student research, particularly at the undergraduate level, can be difficult to find. These grants fund opportunities for students to conduct research or attend conferences related to the discipline. These grants will fund up to \$750 towards research or conference expenses (including travel).
- Study Abroad Grants: Studying abroad gives students a unique opportunity to immerse themselves in different cultures, meet new people from around the world, and gain cross-cultural skills that are beneficial in the workplace. There are a number of scholarships available to help cover program costs, but many students need financial support while studying in other countries. Students may apply for up to \$1,000 to use toward living expenses while traveling with a verified study abroad program.

NAME: _____

STUDENT ID #: _____

MAJOR(S): _____ MINOR: _____

GRADUATE PROGRAM: _____ GRADUATE CERTIFICATE: _____

PROGRAM DATES: _____

COUNTRY WHERE THE PROGRAM OR PROJECT WILL TAKE PLACE: _____

ONE-LINE DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM OR PROJECT: _____

TOTAL COST OF PROJECT: _____ TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: _____

HAVE YOU REQUESTED FUNDING, OR NOTIFICATION OF FUNDING, FOR THIS PROJECT FROM OTHER SOURCES? YES NO

IF YES, HOW MUCH? _____ WHICH SOURCE(S)? _____

CUMULATIVE GPA: _____ CREDIT HOURS COMPLETED: _____

PROJECTED GRADUATION DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

WHO WILL BE SUBMITTING RECOMMENDATION LETTERS TO SUPPORT YOUR APPLICATION?

1) _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

2) _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

CURRENT ADDRESS: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

LOUISVILLE E-MAIL: _____

ALTERNATIVE E-MAIL: _____

I CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PLEASE ATTACH YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT, RESUME AND BUDGET TO THIS APPLICATION FORM: A typed statement (minimum one-page double-spaced) must accompany your application. In it you should discuss your educational and career goals and indicate how your program or project would assist you in the pursuit of these goals. In your statement, address your financial need and describe any other experiences or qualifications that would make you a good candidate for these grants. Please also attach an estimated budget for your program/project. **If possible, include a brochure or printed information about the internship, conference, or study abroad program in which you plan to participate.** Please submit your completed application packet to Emily Clark in Ford Hall Room 205 or to emily.clark.2@louisville.edu