

National Academy of Sciences Gulf of Mexico Program

Christine Mirzayan Science & Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program

The Christine Mirzayan Science & Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program is designed to engage early career individuals in the processes that inform U.S. science and technology policy. Fellows obtain essential skills and knowledge needed to work in science and technology policy at the federal, state, or local levels.

The NAS Gulf Program will host a Christine Mirzayan Fellow, so we encourage you to spread the word among potential candidates. The Fellow will be part of a cohort of about two dozen other Fellows learning about the role of science in the federal government and will work directly with the Gulf Program and our Advisory Group doing research to support strategic planning and other activities that we hope to begin in 2014.

We will be looking at candidates who are forward-thinking and cross-disciplinary. Graduate and professional school students and those who have completed graduate studies within the last five years may apply. Areas of study may include social/behavioral sciences, health and medicine, physical or biological sciences, engineering, law/business/public administration, or relevant interdisciplinary fields. Special consideration will be given to candidates who are from a Gulf state, studying at a Gulf state institution, or doing research relevant to the Gulf of Mexico.

The program is open to all U.S. and non-U.S. citizens who meet the eligibility criteria. Applicants may be U.S. citizens or U.S. lawful permanent residents or adjustment applicants. Other eligible applicants include those with valid F-1, J, asylee, or refugee status. Non-U.S. citizens not currently enrolled in a U.S. university must be within 5 years of graduation and have OPT, work authorization, or their visa sponsor's written authorization valid throughout the program period.

Applications are due September 5, 2013. The stipend for the 12-week fellowship (January 21 – April 11, 2014) is \$8,500. To learn more or to apply online, please visit: <http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/policyfellows/index.htm>.

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