Alternative Resources for Scholarship Applicants

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Note: For exhaustive information on an award on this list, please consult the sponsor's Web site.

Breakthrough Collaborative
http://www.summerbridize.org/

The Breakthrough Collaborative (formerly known as Summerbridge) is a national nonprofit organization that recruits college-aged teachers to educate highly motivated, under-served middle and elementary school children during intensive 6-week summer programs and throughout the year. Students attend the program for two to four years and are taught by a faculty composed entirely of high school and college students. With support from professional educators, Breakthrough's high school and college teachers are responsible for teaching, lesson planning, advising, and program administration. Opportunities are available to teach during the six-week, full-time summer session as well as in after-school/weekend academic support sessions, and continued academic advising and advocacy.

Capital City Fellows Program
http://dcop.dc.gov/

The Capital City Fellows Program (CCFP) is an initiative of Mayor Anthony Williams to attract recent graduates of master's degree programs in public administration, public policy, urban planning, and related fields to work for the city of Washington, DC. Candidates compete for two-year fellowship appointments during which they complete four six-month rotations in different city agencies, including the Office of the City Administrator, Office of Personnel, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Human Services, Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation, and the Metropolitan Police Department. In addition to on-the-job training in their host agencies, Fellows are given unique opportunities to meet with high-level city officials and participate in educational and professional development seminars. The program prepares Fellows to meet the challenges of local government public service and develops management talent for the city. Fellows are required to live in the District within 180 days of appointment and they receive an initial appointment at the DS-12/1 level (currently $46,770). They are eligible for benefits afforded all regular city government employees such as health insurance, annual and sick leave.
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Junior Fellows Program  
http://www.ceip.org

Each year the Endowment offers up to ten 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 200 colleges. Carnegie Junior Fellows work as research assistants to the Endowment's senior associates. No one will be considered who has started graduate studies. The Endowment's nomination deadline is January 15 of each year. Colleges generally set an earlier application deadline. Applications are accepted only through designated nominating officials at participating universities. See your Career Services/Placement Office to learn more about the college application process.

Center for Urban Redevelopment Excellence  
www.upenn.edu/curexpenn

Fellows with the Center for Urban Redevelopment Excellence are placed in 2-year project management jobs with top redevelopment organizations nationwide. Fellows work to improve the quality of life and opportunities in distressed areas. The Center also provides additional training and skills development throughout the 2-year Fellowship term by top practitioners and experts. Applications are due in April for a September program start.

City Year  
www.cityyear.org

City Year, an AmeriCorps program, is a national service organization that unites young adults, ages 17 to 24, from diverse racial, cultural, and socio-economic backgrounds for a demanding ten months of full-time community service, leadership development, and civic engagement. There are eleven City Year sites all over the country. Corps members serve as teacher's aides in public schools, run after-school programs, do physical service, run service-learning programs, and teach health and public safety curriculums. Corps members receive a weekly stipend of $140 (varies) and upon graduation are eligible for $4,725 in post-service awards for college tuition or job training.
Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs
http://www.coro.org

The Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs is a nine-month, full-time, graduate-level leadership program that introduces diverse, intelligent and driven young public servants to all aspects of the public affairs arena. Field assignments, site visits, interviews and special individual and group projects prepare Coro Fellows to translate their ideals into action for improving their own communications. The program is open to applicants with a BA degree or equivalent work experience. Tuition for the program is $3,500. Stipends of up to $12,000 over the nine month tenure are available based on individual financial need.

Department of Health and Human Services Emerging Leaders Program
www.Opm.gov/qualifications/SEC-II/S2-toe.htm

The Emerging Leaders program seeks to attract the best and brightest Bachelor and Masters level graduates to combine scholastic achievement and professional experience in the our nation’s Health and Human Services Department. The program includes: a structured orientation to the Department of Health and Human Services and its operating division; a blended learning environment that incorporates classroom training, web based training, on the job learning activities and an introduction to corporate level competence; diverse development assignments; 3 to 5 rotational assignments with HHS; a mentor to assist with career development; and the ability to chose a career in the following career paths: scientific, public health, social science, information technology; and administrative.

Diplomatic Graduate Fellows Programs
Thomas R Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship
www.foreignservicecareers.gov

The fellowship program is funded by the United States Department of State and administered by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (WWNFF). The program seeks to recruit talented students in academic programs relevant to international affairs, economic analysis, administration, management, and science policy. The goal is to attract outstanding students from all ethnic, racial, and social backgrounds, who have an interest in pursuing a Foreign Service career in the U.S. Department of State. Tuition, room, board, and mandatory fees are paid for the first year and second year of graduate study, with reimbursement for books and one round-trip travel.
Echoing Green Foundation Public Service Fellowships
http://www.echoinggreen.org

Echoing Green is a private foundation that applies a venture capital approach to philanthropy. Through its Public Service Fellowship, the Foundation finds, attracts and invests in a diverse group of emerging social entrepreneurs who plan to start up and lead innovative, replicable, and sustainable public service projects and organizations. The Fellowship provides a two-year award of $60,000, health benefits, and an online connectivity stipend. Because Echoing Green supports new non-profit organizations, the Foundation expects its Fellows to raise additional funds to support their work. In addition to the monetary award, Echoing Green adds value to the programs and people it funds by providing and making available technical assistance and support and by building a network of public service leaders who are committed to sharing their experience and knowledge with each other. Echoing Green accepts applications from individuals who are 18 years or older; have an innovative, original idea; are committed to working full time on their project for at least two years; and are in the start-up phase of their project. Interested candidates should contact Echoing Green for more information.

Everett Public Service Internship Program
http://www.everettinternships.oriz/apply/index.html

The Everett Public Service Internship Program is a ten-week long summer internship program for undergraduate and graduate students. Students are placed at a wide variety of public service programs to work on substantive projects, develop professional skills, and gain knowledge about the enormous societal impact of public service. New York City and Washington, D.C. Interns gather to attend exciting weekly events, both educational and social, presenting distinguished leaders and young heroes from the public sector. Interns are provided with a weekly living stipend.

Freeman Peace Internships
www.forusa.org/Projzrams/Internships/Intemshps.html

Internships are available for people between the ages of 19 and 26 who are committed to peace, justice, reconciliation and nonviolent social change in an interfaith context. Positions are for 11 months provide mentorship, housing, stipend, and health benefits.

Future Leaders Fellows Program
www.populationinstitute.org

The Future Leaders Program of the Population Institute is a one year, paid, full-time professional development program. Sessions begin in July of each year. Various Positions are available in Public Policy, Media, and Field Coordination divisions. Fellows must possess leadership qualities, international experiences and perspectives, strong academics, proficiency in a foreign language and strong communication skills.
George Aratani / Daniel K. Inouye Fellowship
http://www.apaics.org/apaics_fellow.html

The George Aratani/Daniel K. Inouye Fellowship was established in honor of Senator Daniel K. Inouye of Hawaii, a decorated combat veteran of World War II who has served our nation with distinction in the United States House of Representatives and Senate for nearly 40 years. The fellowship is designed to provide a unique opportunity to an outstanding graduate student who has a commitment to the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities, and who plans to pursue a public policy career. The fellow will spend nine months in Washington, D.C., either in the office of a Congressional member, a Congressional committee or a federal agency.

Green Corps
http://www.greencorps.org/

In 1992, David Brower, Lois Gibbs, and Cesar Chavez helped Green Corps create a yearlong full time, paid Environmental Leadership Training Program. Each year we hire thirty recent college graduates to launch their organizing and advocacy careers with Green Corps. Through our Environmental Leadership Training Program, students gain the hands-on training and experience to put ideas into action and win important victories for public health and the environment. Green Corps’ one-year, full time, paid program gives you the best training available to launch an organizing and advocacy career. To date, Green Corps has trained more than 150 recent college graduates for positions of leadership within the environmental movement. Our graduates have gone on to high level positions with local, state and national organizations, including Defenders of Wildlife, Sierra Club and Greenpeace. Deadlines depend on the region, starting January 20th.

Samuel Huntington Public Service Award
http://www.nationalgridus.com/commitment/d4-1_award.asn

This is open to a graduating college senior who wishes to pursue a one year public service project anywhere in the world. The award allows the recipient to engage in an activity that furthers the public good, before proceeding on to a career or graduate school. The student shapes his/her own proposal for service in this country or abroad. This proposal can be undertaken by the student alone or working through a public service organization. The award is a $10,000 stipend for a one-year period of public service. The deadline is mid-February.
The Institute on Philanthropy & Voluntary Service is an exciting summer program for undergraduate students interested in philanthropy, community service and careers and the nonprofit sector. The Institute is an intensive six-week residential program for promising student leaders from across the nation. During the summer, approximately 35 students take two courses on the history and ethics of philanthropy and volunteerism worth 6 hours of academic credit from Indiana University. Students also hold internships with nonprofit organizations, attend presentations by leading figures from the nonprofit sector, and participate in a variety of service projects. The Institute is open to students of sophomore status or higher and graduating seniors. The program fee is $3,500 and includes tuition for the two courses, housing and special events. Over half of the students accepted to the program will receive a full or partial scholarship. The application deadline is March 15. The Institute is sponsored by The Fund for American Studies and the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University and is held in Indianapolis, Indiana. Subject to the availability of funds, a fellow receives an annual fellowship, which can be renewed up to a maximum of four years. The number of fellowships awarded each year varies, depending on the amount of funding available. The deadline is usually in December. Students must fill out the FAFSA.

International Institute for Political and Economic Studies

IIPES is an academic program that explores major political, economic and cultural issues important to the Eastern Mediterranean region. Students attend courses in political economy, history, philosophy, and conflict management. In addition to classes, students participate in dialogue designed to promote international exchange. This combination of events leads to life-long friendships and an exchange of ideas that cannot be gained elsewhere. This is a month long program that takes place in Greece and is sponsored by the Fund for American Studies and Georgetown University. Scholarships are available.

National Park Service Summer Internship Program

The National Park Service and the Student Conservation Association seek qualified, diverse graduate and undergraduate students for internships at National Park Service sites and offices, other federal agencies, state historic preservation offices, and private nonprofit organizations throughout the country. Sites vary from year to year. Internships are ten weeks long and paid on a weekly basis.
Office of Environmental Justice Community Intern Program
www.eco.or/EPAlcommunityinternprogram/Studentapplications.html

More than 100 diverse students have experienced environmental protection at the grassroots level since the Community Intern Program was created in 2000 by EPA’s Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ). These 12-week summer internships pay a $450 per week stipend, plus $500 for relocation or project travel. Community Interns also attend an Environmental Career Conference in July in Washington, DC.

Organization of American States
www.oas.org

Scholarships are provided for international study. Applicant must know the language of the study country. There are two types of fellowships: 1) those for advanced study at the graduate level and 2) those for research. Fellowships are granted for periods over 3 months, but not more than 3 years. Fellowship is tenable in any of the member countries of the OAS with the exception of the country of which the candidate is a citizen or a permanent resident. Fellowships are not awarded for studies of the medical sciences and related areas, or introductory language studies.

Public Allies
www.publicallies.org

Allies work four days each week for ten months at a local nonprofit organization to strengthen the community by working in areas such as youth development, community development, public health, and economic development. Allies also participate in weekly workshops led by local community and civic leaders that teach skills such as public speaking, conflict resolution, group facilitation, positive youth development, community building, and media relations. Each Ally is provided a monthly stipend - as well as an educational grant that can be used to pay off student loans or for graduate education. Various deadlines at several sites across the county.

Regular Training Program
www.oas.org

The fundamental objective of the OAS Scholarships Program is to promote the economic, social, scientific, and cultural development of the member States in order to achieve a stronger bond and better understanding among the people of the Americas through advanced training of its citizens. Scholarships are awarded for advanced study at the graduate level and research. Candidates must know the language of the study country. College graduates from various backgrounds and majors are eligible for the fellowships, which are granted for periods over 1 academic year, but not more than two years. Candidates must choose the university, study center or research site and make the necessary contacts to secure an acceptance, or evidence that the facilities needed to complete a research project will be provided. The scholarship provides for the following benefits: round trip travel, tuition fees, study materials, health insurance and subsistence allowance (which varies from country to country). The OAS only accepts those applications that are submitted to us through the official channels established by each government.

Today, RFK Fellows in Los Angeles and Washington, DC work to empower young people in underserved communities through programs tackling the spiraling cycles of gang violence, drug abuse, illiteracy and racism. Teams of young women and men are selected each year on the basis of their commitment to public service. Priority is given to individuals from the ethnic groups and neighborhoods served by the Fellows and their partner agencies. Fellows act as mentors and role models to at-risk youth while creating and implementing much-needed community service projects. The Memorial provides RFK Fellows with leadership and educational training, as well as issue specific training such as community organizing, conflict resolution or substance abuse prevention training. As members of AmeriCorps, the President's national service program, RFK Fellows complete 900 hours of community service and receive modest stipends and educational awards to help pay off student loans or finance college, graduate school or vocational training.

Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellowship

The Fellowship was established in 1987 to provide college graduates with the opportunity to gain a Washington perspective on key issues of peace and security. Twice yearly, the Fellowships Board of Directors selects a group of outstanding individuals to spend six to nine months in Washington. Fellows have a monthly stipend and serve as full time project assistants at the participating organization of their choice.

Secretary Elaine L. Chao Internship Program
[http://www.dol.gov/sec/media/internprogram.htm](http://www.dol.gov/sec/media/internprogram.htm)

Secretary Elaine L. Chao and the Department of Labor (DOL) have welcomed students across the nation to participate in the Student Internship Program. The Student Internship Program provides students with the opportunity to learn about how federal government agencies operate and to interact with the leaders of various agencies within DOL. Students can participate in weekly brown bag lunch discussions, attend agency presentations, and work on projects assigned to them by their agency. Previous interns have had opportunities to work in a variety of areas including public affairs, speechwriting, and outreach programs. Students will also be delegated general administrative duties, and should have strong writing and research skills.
Teach For America
http://www.teachforamerica.org

Teach For America is the national corps of outstanding and recent college graduates of all academic majors who commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders in the effort to expand opportunity for children. Teach For America corps members have an immediate impact in the lives of children growing up today, gain the insight, network, and credibility to effect long-term change, and set themselves up for success regardless of their ultimate professional field. Each year, Teach For America selects nearly 2,000 individuals who demonstrate a record of achievement. These corps members undergo extensive training during summer institutes, are placed as full-time, paid teachers in urban and rural public schools, and join an ongoing support network that helps them succeed during their two years as teachers and beyond.

United Way Community Fellows Program
cfellows2005@uwa.unitedway.org
http://national.unitedway.org/fellows/contact.cfn

The Community Fellows Program is a rigorous year-long professional development experience where Fellows learn how United Ways across the nation are bringing communities together through civic engagement by building partnerships, forging consensus around a community agenda, and leveraging and investing financial resources to make a measurable difference in communities. The Community Fellows Program is a paid assignment that combines formal training provided by United Way of America in Alexandria, Virginia with a 12-month local field placement in community-based United Way organizations located in cities across the nation. Upon successful completion of the program, Fellows will not only have made a significant impact at their host United Way organization, but will also have the opportunity to compete for open positions with the host United Way or other United Way organizations to launch a career in the United Way system.

United Way Rural Service Fellows
www.americorps.org

Rural Service Fellows address the health and human service needs of the low-income rural residents of Upstate New York. Rural Fellows' host sites represent a range of issues from literacy to mental health, childcare to food pantries, and are designed to help build the service capacity of the participating nonprofits. Fellows serving on the program will learn community development strategies, hone leadership talents and gain important nonprofit skills in a specific service area.
Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice
www.familiesusa.org

The Wellstone Fellowship is a yearlong, full-time, salaried position that will begin in September. The fellow will be engaged in health care advocacy work in Families USA's office in Washington, DC where he or she will learn about Medicare, Medicaid, efforts to achieve universal coverage, and other important health policy issues.

White House Fellows Program
http://www.whitehouse.gov/fellows/

Founded in 1964, the White House Fellows Program is one of America’s most prestigious programs for leadership and public service. White House Fellowships offer exceptional young men and women first-hand experience working at the highest levels of the Federal government. White House Fellows typically spend a year working as full-time, paid special assistants to senior White House Staff, the Vice President, Cabinet Secretaries and other top-ranking government officials. Fellows also participate in an education program consisting of roundtable discussions with renowned leaders from the private and public sectors, and trips to study U.S. policy in action both domestically and internationally. In return for the privilege of participating in the Fellowship year, Fellows are expected to repay the privilege by contributing to the Nation as future leaders.

Selection as a White House Fellow is highly competitive and based on a record of remarkable professional achievement early in one's career, evidence of leadership potential, a proven commitment to public service, and the knowledge and skills necessary to contribute successfully at the highest levels of the Federal government. Fellowships are awarded strictly on a non-partisan basis. The program has fostered a legacy of leadership, with nearly 600 alumni who are respected leaders. Alumni include Secretary of State Colin Powell, Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao, former CNN President Tom Johnson, and American Red Cross President Marsha Evans.

World Teach
http://www.worldteach.org

WorldTeach arranges for volunteers to teach for one year in Ecuador, Costa Rica, Namibia, the Marshall Islands, and China. There is also a summer program to teach in all these countries. Program specifics vary widely with each location. Applicants should be recent college graduates unless applying for the summer positions. No teaching experience is required. Application deadlines vary. Travel is not covered, but most programs provide a living allowance as well as housing.