

Donald M. Payne International Development Fellowship Program



ELIGIBILITY

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Must be seeking admission to enter a two-year graduate program in the fall of 2015 at a U.S. university
- Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale at the time of application

2016 Graduate Fellowship Program

Howard University, in cooperation with the U.S. Agency for International Development, invites outstanding individuals interested in international development and careers in the USAID Foreign Service to apply for the 2015 Donald M. Payne International Development Graduate Fellowship. Candidates can be graduating seniors or college graduates with strong academic records and a desire to promote positive change in the world. The Payne Program encourages the application of members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need. Selected fellows will receive support for graduate school and will enter into an exciting and rewarding career.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- An **orientation** to the Program and the USAID Foreign Service at Howard University in Washington, D.C.
- **Two summer internships**, one domestic the summer after selection and one overseas at a USAID Mission during the summer between the first and second years of graduate school. The Program provides stipends, transportation and housing for these internships.
- **Up to \$35,000 annually** toward tuition, fees and living expenses for a two-year master's degree in international development, international affairs, public administration, environmental sciences, public health, agriculture or another area relevant to the work of the USAID Foreign Service.
- **Mentoring** from a USAID Foreign Service Officer throughout the duration of the fellowship.
- **Employment in the USAID Foreign Service** for those who successfully complete the program and Foreign Service entry requirements, with a **contractual agreement** committing each Payne Fellow to a minimum of three years of service as a USAID Foreign Service Officer.

Application Deadline – January 19, 2016

Additional information and online application are available at www.PayneFellows.org
Contact us: paynefellows@howard.edu