

# CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT

FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE

## JUNIOR FELLOWS PROGRAM

2008-2009

**Applications must be received by: January 15, 2008**

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing cooperation between nations and promoting active international engagement by the United States. As one of the world's leading think tanks specializing in international affairs, the Endowment conducts programs of research, discussion, publication and education. The Junior Fellows Program at the Carnegie Endowment is designed to provide a substantive work experience for students who have a serious career interest in the area of international affairs. Approximately 8-10 students will be hired to work at the Carnegie Endowment in Washington, DC on a full-time basis for a period of one year.

ASSIGNMENTS: Junior Fellows provide research assistance to Associates working on Carnegie Endowment's projects such as non-proliferation, democracy building, Middle East political reform, trade & environment, economics, international security, South Asian politics, China-related issues, and Russian and Eurasian affairs. Junior Fellows have the opportunity to conduct research for books, participate in meetings with high-level officials, contribute to congressional testimony and organize briefings attended by scholars, activists, journalists and government officials.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must be nominated by an official of their university who has been designated for this purpose (usually the career placement officer or academic department chairperson). Applications are accepted only from graduating college seniors or individuals who have graduated within the past academic year. No one will be considered who has started graduate studies. Applicants should have completed a significant amount of course work in international affairs, political science, economics, history or Russian, Chinese or Middle East studies. The selection process for the Junior Fellows Program is very competitive. Accordingly, applicants should be of high academic quality.

APPLICATION PROCESS: All application materials must be received by the Carnegie Endowment no later than January 15, 2008. (Colleges/universities generally set earlier deadlines.) Applicants should consult their designated nominating official concerning nominations, since no university is permitted to nominate more than two students each year. Finalists in the selection process will be invited for personal interviews in the spring. Selection decisions will be made no later than April 15<sup>th</sup>.

DURATION: All fellowships begin on August 1, 2008. Junior Fellows are hired for a period of approximately one year.

SALARY AND HOUSING: The monthly salary is \$2,916.66 (equivalent to \$35,000 annually) subject to federal, state and local taxes. Benefits include medical, dental and life insurance as well as vacation leave. A \$500.00 allowance (less taxes) will be given to individuals relocating to the Washington, DC area. Junior Fellows are responsible for their own housing arrangements.

All of the following must be **received** via the designated nominating official no later than January 15<sup>th</sup>:

- Application form, including an essay (one page or less) on why the student would like to become a junior fellow.
- 1-2 page resume (including telephone number, address, extra-curricular activities and work experience).
- Two recommendations, at least one of which should be from a professor of the student's major department.
- Transcript of undergraduate records. The transcript may be unofficial.
- An essay of no more than three (3) typewritten, double-spaced pages on one of the following topics. These topics are not necessarily indicative of the issues that Junior Fellows will research at the Carnegie Endowment, but they are intended to test skills in analysis, logic, and written expression. The essays should be thought pieces, not research papers.
  - A. The current round of globalization has been underway for about 20 years. Enough time has passed that the empirical evidence of its effects is beginning to accumulate. How do you assess the impact of globalization on developing countries and on the already developed world? Is globalization good or bad for employment and for the poor?
  - B. By the year 2015 do you think there will be more than the current nine countries with nuclear weapons? If so, which ones, and why? If not, why are people who fear this wrong?
  - C. China's success in economic development demonstrates that authoritarianism is probably necessary in promoting economic growth in poor countries. Do you agree? Why or why not?
  - D. The next U.S. administration will face a Middle East fraught with problems and tensions. What are the main issues that a new administration should pay the most attention to in the region and why do you believe they are the most important?
  - E. Discuss the importance of oil and gas on Russian foreign policy.
  - F. Discuss the strategic implications of the US-India nuclear deal on South Asia.
  - G. The Kyoto Protocol, which limits emissions of greenhouse gases for some countries, expires in 2012. What changes in goals and policy mechanisms would you recommend for a post-Kyoto climate policy?

All of the above materials should be forwarded by the designated university official by **January 15, 2008** to:

Junior Fellows Program  
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace  
1779 Massachusetts Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20036

Questions concerning the above requirements and the Junior Fellows Program should be addressed to Amy Heldreth in Human Resources at (202) 939-2308 or [jrfellowinfo@ceip.org](mailto:jrfellowinfo@ceip.org).