

Interested in a career serving U.S. interests abroad? If so, the Pickering Fellowship offers a unique opportunity to promote positive change in the world. Upon successful completion of a two-year program, fellows have the opportunity to work as Foreign Service Officers, serving in Washington, D.C. or at a U.S. embassy, consulate, or diplomatic mission around the globe.

The Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program is a U.S. Department of State program, administered by Howard University, that attracts and prepares outstanding young people for Foreign Service careers in the U.S. Department of State. It welcomes the application of members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the State Department, women, and those with financial need. Based on the understanding that U.S. diversity is a strength in our diplomatic efforts, the program values varied backgrounds, including ethnic, racial, social and geographic diversity.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Must be seeking admission to graduate school in fall 2019 for a two-year program at a U.S.-based institution
- Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale at the time of application

## DEADLINE

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2018**

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## PROGRAM BENEFITS

- An orientation to the Program and the Foreign Service at Howard University in Washington, D.C.
- Two summer internships, one at the State Department in Washington, D.C. in summer 2020 and one overseas at a U.S. embassy in summer 2021.
- Up to \$37,500 annually toward tuition and mandatory fees for a two-year master's degree in fields related to the Foreign Service such as Business Administration, Economics, Public Policy, and International Relations at a U.S.-based institution.
- Mentoring from a Foreign Service Officer throughout the fellowship.
- Employment in the State Department Foreign Service for those who successfully complete the program and meet Foreign Service entry requirements, in accordance with applicable law and State Department policy, with each Fellow committing to a minimum of five years of service.