



RACIAL JUSTICE FELLOWS PROGRAM

Apply by Oct. 1, 2020

The recent Black Lives Matter protests following George Floyd's murder represent the largest social movement in US history. Though struggles for racial justice and equity are hardly new, in recent months, they have come to the fore in unprecedented ways – engaging citizens, organizations, and governments across the country, and forcing us to reckon not only with our nation's history of slavery and segregation, but with a present characterized by policies and practices that continue to reflect racial oppression.

It is with this in mind that the Colin Powell School is partnering with CCNY's Black Studies Program, based in the Division of Humanities and the Arts, to launch a new Racial Justice Fellows Program that places students at the center of efforts to create systemic change. This fellowship creates a pipeline for students to become deeply involved in antiracist movements. By supporting fellows financially and programmatically, we will cultivate a new generation of leaders who can help build a more just and equitable society.

SUPPORT

Fellows will receive a \$5,000 stipend for approved summer internships.

WORKSHOPS

During the spring 2021 semester, fellows must participate in two intensive workshops, which will feature speakers who are activists, policy makers, and academics. Topics may include efforts to reform the criminal justice system; fight voter suppression; empower Black communities; address environmental justice concerns; and close the racial education gap. The workshops will also provide professional development to assist fellows with their job applications.

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

Students will be supported in their applications to summer internships at nonprofit organizations and government agencies working on racial justice and equity. They will not be assigned to organizations, but will be guided through the application process.

APPLICATIONS AND DEADLINES

In order to apply, please respond to the following three questions in a separate document. Your combined responses should not exceed two single-spaced pages.

1. How do your educational and professional experiences so far shape your long-term interest in working at a senior level on racial justice and equity issues?
2. How would you like to see your career develop over the next decade or two?
3. What are three questions you would like to see addressed as part of the program?

Deadline: October 1, 2020

Eligibility

We welcome applications from undergraduate students in all CCNY schools and divisions. There is no GPA requirement. However, you must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at CCNY during the 2020-2021 school year and your anticipated graduation date must be May 2021 or later.

Completed applications must include the following:

- This applicant information form;
- Responses to the three questions;
- A resume; and
- A transcript (can be the unofficial version from CUNYfirst).

All applications must be emailed to the Colin Powell School Office of Fellowships at cpsfellowships@gmail.com by 5 pm on Oct. 1, 2020. Please submit all your materials in one email. We will confirm that we have received your application two to four weeks after submission.

For more information about the Colin Powell School Fellowships, visit this website: bit.ly/cps_fellowships

Questions?

Contact Akasha Solis, Program Manager, Colin Powell School Office of Fellowships, asolis@ccny.cuny.edu

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Name: _____
2. Email: _____
3. Phone: _____
4. Major(s) (if undeclared, indicate the most likely): _____
5. Minor(s): _____
6. Credits as of the end of last semester: _____
7. GPA: _____
8. Anticipated date of graduation: _____
9. How did you hear about the program? Check all that apply.
 Peer Current/former fellow Faculty Staff Social media
 Class visit Student organization Info session Other: _____
10. Have you already participated in another fellowship or honors program on campus in previous years?
If so, which one(s)? _____
11. Are you currently participating in another fellowship or honors program on campus?
If so, which one(s)? _____
12. Are you planning on applying to another fellowship or honors program for next summer or school year?
If so, which one(s)? _____