

**Funded Opportunities in Political Science, Law & International Affairs**  
**Summer 2019 and more**  
For Undergraduates and Starting Graduate Students

Fall 2018

*This is only a sample. Other opportunities may be announced later, so keep looking!  
If you want to apply for any of these opportunities, discuss them with your political science professors as early as possible before the deadline so that they can help you prepare the best possible application.*

**American Bar Foundation Montgomery Summer Research Diversity Fellows in Law and Social Sciences**

Purpose & benefits: “summer research fellowship for undergraduate students from diverse backgrounds interested in pursuing graduate studies in the social sciences. This summer program is designed to introduce students to the rewards and demands of a research-oriented career in the field of law and social science.” For students interested in pursuing graduate studies in social sciences. \$3600 stipend; located in Chicago. For sophomores and juniors

Deadline: (Last year was Feb. 15, 2018)

For more information:

<http://www.americanbarfoundation.org/research/Fellowshipopportunities/SummerResearchDiversityFellowshipsinLawandSocialScience.html>

**APSA Ralph Bunche summer institute**

Purpose & benefits: summer institute for students who are considering graduate studies in political science. For minorities and those interested in conducting research on issues affecting minorities. Expenses and stipend paid.

Deadline: January 2019.

For more information: <https://www.apsanet.org/DIVERSITY/Ralph-Bunche-Summer-Institute>

**Hansen Summer Institute on Leadership and International Cooperation**

Purpose: provide training in conflict resolution, develop international networks for young scholars. Pays costs and small stipend.

Deadlines: Jan 1 and March 15, 2019.

<http://www.opportunitydesk.org/2018/09/13/hansen-summer-institute-2019/>

**Hertog Foundation**

Purpose: for students interested in political theory. Extensive courses with distinguished visiting scholars. Costs paid, plus small stipend.

Deadlines: in past years, in January.

For more information: <https://hertogfoundation.org/programs/political-studies>

**Leadership Alliance Summer Research Early Identification Institute**

Purpose: 8 week summer research institute for underrepresented groups in academia & medicine. Some programs specifically for Humanities and Social Sciences. Programs at 22 universities. Apply to up to three host universities. Receive room and board and stipend.

Deadline: Feb 1, 2019

For more information: <http://theleadershipalliance.org/programs/summer-research>

### **Charles B. Rangel Summer Enrichment Program**

Purpose: 6 week program for students with interest in pursuing a career in International Affairs, held at Howard University, for students from under-represented backgrounds. Provides \$3,200 stipend, room, board, & travel.

Deadline: Feb 5, 2019

For more information: <http://www.rangelprogram.org/summer-enrichment-program/>

### **PPIA Junior Summer Institutes**

Purpose: 7 week summer program to prepare students for graduate study and careers in public and international affairs. Goal is to encourage more diverse perspectives in public service, including from economically disadvantaged. Institutes held at 4 universities. Small stipend and costs paid. Those who complete the program are eligible for scholarships for M.A. programs.

Deadline: Nov. 1, 2018

<http://www.ppiaprogram.org/ppia/what-we-do/junior-summer-institutes/junior-summer-institutes/>

### **Rutgers Undergraduate Summer Institute (RIse)**

Purpose: primarily for under-represented groups, for science and engineering, including social science. Intensive research experience. Pays stipend, room & board.

Deadline: last year, rolling admissions starting in November.

For more information: <https://www.rise.rutgers.edu/>

### **SROP Multiple Universities**

Purpose: promoting diversity in higher education, for students seriously considering graduate school for research degrees. These are mentored summer research opportunities, which give students 1-on-1 experience doing research. All STEM fields. Search under "SROP" for more information, and check if there is a social science option. Programs provide stipend & room & board.

Example: University of Iowa; University of Maryland

Deadlines: vary

Iowa: <https://www.grad.uiowa.edu/ogi/srop>

Deadline: last year, in March

Maryland: <http://www.bsos.umd.edu/diversity/summer-research-initiative>

Deadline: last year, in February

Big ten universities: <http://www.btaa.org/resources-for/students/srop/introduction>

Deadline: Feb. 10, 2019

### **State Department Internships** (summer and other times of year)

Purpose: boost interest in foreign service careers by giving hands-on experiences in US consulates or in State Dept in Washington DC; *unpaid*.

Deadlines: January 2019 for fall 2019.

For more information: [careers.state.gov/intern/student-internships](https://careers.state.gov/intern/student-internships)

### **UC Riverside Summer Mentoring Program**

Purpose: To increase diversity of students pursuing doctoral degrees in California universities.

Summer research experience. \$3000 stipend plus room & board & transport.

Deadline: ca. Feb 1. (not yet announced).

For more information: <http://graduate.ucr.edu/msrip.html>

## **UH Funded Research Opportunities**

### **UH SURF** (Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship)

Purpose & benefit: 10 week independent research program; \$4000 stipend.

Last year's deadline: mid March

What you will need: independent project proposal (may be working with faculty member in area of his/her interest), faculty member who agrees to sponsor you and work with you

<http://www.uh.edu/honors/undergraduate-research/uh-research/surf/>

### **UH PURS** (Provost's Undergraduate Research Fellowship)

Purpose: Juniors and Seniors participate in a research project in spring semester. Receive \$1000 stipend.

This year's deadline: November 2018

<http://uh.edu/honors/undergraduate-research/uh-research/purs/index.php>

Note: these programs are coordinated by the Honors College, but you don't need to be in the Honors College to participate.

### **UH Political Science department: SWAGS** (Summer Workshop in Preparing for Grad School)

Purpose: to help students select grad programs which fit their aims, and to help them prepare strong applications. Small scholarship for those who complete the program to help with costs of GRE and grad applications.

Deadline: March/April 2019.

For more information: speak with your political science professors or ask your political science advisor.