



Greetings from the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (WWNFF):

As one of the United States' top fellowship providers, we offer programs that cultivate talent and drive change in the nation's high-need fields. Following is an exciting opportunity we'd like to share with you.

The WWNFF is now accepting applications for the **2012 Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs & Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowships**. We seek highly motivated and academically excellent **college juniors** and **graduating seniors or recent graduates** who have an interest in pursuing a **Foreign Service career** in the U.S. Department of State.

Funded by the U.S. Department of State, the programs honor Career Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering, one of the country's most respected Foreign Service Officers. The goal of the programs is to attract outstanding students from all ethnic and social backgrounds who are dedicated to representing America's interests abroad. Women, members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, and students with financial need are *encouraged* to apply to one of the two Programs.

Thomas R. Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship (GFAF) applicants must:

1. Be a **graduating senior or a recent graduate** beginning a two-year, full-time master's degree program in fall 2011 in fields such as public policy, international affairs, public administration, business, economics, political science, sociology or foreign languages
2. Have a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.2 or higher (on a scale of 4.0)
3. Be a United States citizen

The Graduate Fellowship award includes:

- \$40,000 annually towards tuition costs (first) and related academic expenses during the **first and second year of graduate study**, pending availability of funding.
- Two paid summer internships in Washington, DC and overseas.

Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship (FAF) applicants must:

1. Be in the **junior year** of undergraduate study enrolled in an academic program relevant to the work of the U.S. Department of State in fields such as international affairs, foreign languages, communications, history, political and economic analysis, administration, management, or science policy
2. Have a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.2 or higher (on a scale of 4.0)
3. Be a United States citizen.

The Undergraduate Fellowship award includes:

- \$40,000 annually towards tuition costs (first) and related academic expenses during the **senior year of college and the first year of graduate study**, pending availability of funding.
- Two paid summer internships in Washington, DC and overseas.

*The **deadline** for the 2012 Pickering **Graduate Fellowship Program** applications is **January 30, 2012.***

*The **deadline** for the 2012 Pickering **Undergraduate Fellowship Program** applications is **February 3, 2012.***

Each program will select twenty Pickering Fellows annually.

Additional information concerning the **2012 Pickering Fellowships** is available **online** on the Foundation's website (www.woodrow.org/pickering), including electronic versions of the 2012 Pickering brochures. **Students should also visit our website to initiate their online application,** which describes other documents that each applicant must forward to the WWNFF.

In addition, **all applicants** must send the WWNFF a **copy** of their most recent financial aid letter that lists grants or loans, and provide a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR), which indicates the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) number.

If you'd like **more information about the Pickering Graduate Fellowship Program**, please email pickeringgfaf@woodrow.org.

If you'd like **more information about the Pickering Undergraduate Fellowship Program**, please email pickeringfaf@woodrow.org.

Sincerely,



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