PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Support of up to $42,000 per year for a two-year period for tuition, room, board, books, and mandatory fees for completion of two-year master’s degree in fields related to the Foreign Service such as international relations, public policy, public administration, business, management science, economics, organizational development/leadership, sociology, and foreign languages at a U.S.-based institution.
- An orientation to the Fellowship and the Foreign Service at Howard University in Washington, D.C.
- Two summer internships, one at the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C. in summer 2023 and one overseas at a U.S. embassy or consulate in summer 2024.
- Mentoring from Foreign Service Officers throughout the Fellowship.
- Employment in the U.S. Department of State Foreign Service, in accordance with applicable law and U.S. Department of State policy, for those who successfully complete the Fellowship and meet Foreign Service entry requirements. Fellows must commit to a minimum of five years of service.

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

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ELIGIBILITY

- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Seek admission to a two-year, full-time, on-campus, master’s degree program at a U.S.-based graduate institution to begin in the fall of 2022 in an academic field relevant to the work of the Foreign Service.
- Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

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