## CHARLES B. RANGEL INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

## **ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP**

The Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship Program is a premier U.S. Department of State program created to attract diverse talent to its Foreign Service. The Fellowship seeks individuals committed to promoting positive change in the world as U.S. diplomats in the Foreign Service. Foreign Service Officers represent the United States in countries around the world by promoting human rights, assisting American citizens overseas, enhancing prosperity and development, deepening ties between the United States and people around the world, and supporting U.S. global values and interests. The Fellowship encourages the application of members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, women, and those with financial need.



## PROGRAM ELEMENTS

- 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 business administration, economics, management science, organizational development/leadership, public policy, and international relations 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 with the U.S. Congress in Washington, D.C. and one overseas at a U.S. embassy or consulate.
- 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.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- Must be seeking 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.
- Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale at the time of application.

"I'm really excited about the [Rangel] fellowship... Not only will it put me on the path to be a U.S. diplomat and help provide funds for me to continue my education, it also will provide me with amazing experiences like a congressional internship this summer and mentorship opportunities."

**Erica Alexander** 2021 Fellow

"I believe a career in diplomacy allows you to live 'a life of significance' because it is a career where you personify America's traditions, diversity and its contemporary culture to foreign governments and publics."

**Carlo James Aragón** 2018 Fellow



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