

LOEB INSTITUTE FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The Loeb Institute for Religious Freedom undergraduate research fellowship gives two promising students in the Columbian College of Arts & Sciences the opportunity to engage in a well-defined research project on a topic related to religious freedom, separation of church and state, or the role of religion in civil society. The fellowship is open with regard to discipline. Students in all majors are encouraged to apply.

All research projects must be undertaken with ongoing input and direction from a faculty mentor. It is expected that the student and mentor will discuss their expectations regarding the time commitments of both parties, scope of research, and anticipated results (e.g., papers, presentations, performances, etc.) and arrive at a mutually agreeable understanding.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY: Student applicants must be full-time undergraduate students in CCAS. Students must have a GPA of 3.4 or above. Note: Recipients must be enrolled in CCAS throughout the tenure of the award.

FACULTY MENTOR ELIGIBILITY: Faculty mentors must be associated with GW during the tenure of the award.

FUNDING: The Loeb Institute undergraduate research fellowship provides \$1,500 for research-related expenditures, including living expenses, travel, materials, and equipment. The fellowship can be combined with the Luther Rice Undergraduate Research Fellowship or other grants.

AWARD PERIOD: The project may begin during the summer and must be concluded during the spring semester of the following year. Please note: A portion of the funds may be available by June 2017; the remaining funds will be disbursed after July 1, 2017.

DEADLINE: There are two deadlines for submission. One award will be granted in each submission period.

Winter Deadline: *Students must submit their forms by email attachment to cufr@gwu.edu no later than 11:59pm on Wednesday, November 30, 2016.*

Spring Deadline: *Students must submit their forms by email attachment to cufr@gwu.edu no later than 11:59pm on Wednesday, March 1, 2017.*

Note: Students who apply in the fall and are not selected for funding are encouraged to revise and resubmit their proposals by the spring deadline.

AWARD REQUIREMENT: All award recipients are required to submit timely progress reports on their research, to present results of their project at Research Day, and to provide summaries of their research to publicize their undergraduate research activity and the Loeb Institute.

Loeb Institute Undergraduate Research

Fellowships 2017-18

STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION TO cufr@gwu.edu

Name (Last, First):

Email:

Address:

Phone:

Expected Year of Graduation:

GWID:

GW School in which you are officially enrolled:

Major(s):

Faculty Mentor:

Faculty Mentor's School/Department:

Title of Research Project:

Date(s) of Research Project:

Student Project Description

Describe below the project you propose to undertake. State clearly a) the essential questions you propose to investigate, b) your research plan and the timeline for your project, c) the expected outcomes, and d) the contributions your project will make to the field. The description must be no longer than two single-spaced pages. Please use language appropriate to an educated layperson; the nature of the work to be undertaken and the methodology to be used should be made clear to readers not familiar with the field.

Student Experience and Goals

Provide a brief description of your previous research experience and what you hope to achieve through doing this project. Specifically, state clearly 1) any previous research experience you have had and how it might relate or contribute to this project, and 2) what you expect to gain from doing the project and how it fits in with your future academic or career goals. This description should be no longer than one single-spaced page.