

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

UDALL CENTER FELLOWS PROGRAM
Academic Year 2020-21
in association with the
Morris K. and Stewart L. Udall Foundation

– Environmental Collaboration and Conflict Resolution –



The Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy and Research, Innovation and Impact (RII) have partnered with the Morris K. and Stewart L. Udall Foundation and are pleased to announce an Environmental Collaboration and Conflict Resolution (ECCR) component of the 2020-21 Udall Center Faculty Fellows Program. These fellowships are made possible by support from the Udall Foundation, RII, and the Udall Center. Since the Program's inception in 1990, the Center has hosted 152 fellows from over 40 departments or centers, representing 10 different colleges at the University of Arizona.

The primary purpose of the fellowship is to support development of a research project with any aspect of public policy related to environmental collaboration and conflict resolution (ECCR), in line with the work of the Udall Foundation's [John S. McCain III National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution](#). Research topics may span the range of ECCR tools, techniques, and approaches, including conflict assessment, process design, facilitation, mediation, and stakeholder engagement. Research topics must focus on applications of ECCR in the domestic United States.

Examples of potential research areas include but are not limited to:

- Perceptions, understandings and use of ECCR in marginalized communities
- Virtual collaboration infrastructure and practices in the context of COVID-19 and global pandemics
- Value and best practices relating to conflict assessments in the resolution of environmental disputes
- Implications of public outrage and the role of social media in environmental collaborative processes
- Factors and conditions leading to intergovernmental and multi-jurisdictional cooperation on natural or cultural resource management issues

The proposed research and public policies need not relate to Udall Center activities. During the term of the fellowship, fellows are required to develop at least one proposal for external support to further the research agenda. External support may consist of a grant, contract, or fellowship from any source outside of the University of Arizona. Over the course of the Udall fellowship, the fellow will work with Research Development Services in RII to target, develop, and submit the proposal. By the end of the fellowship term, the Fellow will either have submitted a proposal or prepared a complete proposal draft (depending on submission due date).

Eligibility. The 2020-21 competition is open to tenured/tenure eligible or continuing/continuing eligible faculty members in any unit at the UA who will *not* be taking a sabbatical or other leave during the same academic year and who wish to carry out externally funded research on the public-policy dimensions of any subject or theme.

Terms of the Fellowship. The Udall Foundation and the Udall Center will provide the successful fellow's home department with \$10,000 plus ERE to help replace the fellow's teaching responsibilities for one semester. Office space may be available at the Udall Center for the semester of the fellowship. We expect the fellow to be fully released from teaching for the semester of the fellowship; the funds are made available to units as compensation for the release time and to cover related critical teaching needs. The fellowship will be awarded only if the applicant's home unit supports the application and the release of teaching time. Potential applicants must discuss the prospects of such support with department heads or directors *and* the college dean prior to applying and should submit a signed form indicating departmental and college approval. Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee that will make recommendations to the Senior Vice President for Research and Innovation (at RII) and the director of the Udall Center, who will inform applicants of awards following discussion with the units regarding funds and release time. Fellows are expected to present a colloquium on their work during the fellowship period and to acknowledge the institutional sources of support in grants, presentations, and publications resulting from the award.

Application Procedure. Each applicant should submit via email with attachments in MS Word or Adobe PDF: (1) a brief statement describing policy research interests; (2) specific plans for activities to be undertaken during the fellowship term, including the mandatory external proposal development project (identifying specific prospective funding sources), and any other plans for original research and writing (up to five pages); (3) information on any related proposals already submitted for external support; (4) a curriculum vitae; (5) a letter of reference; and (6) a fully signed cover sheet bearing the signature of the department head/director and the college dean (attached). Electronic copies of the full packet should be submitted to Molli Bryson at mollic@email.arizona.edu by **May 4, 2020**. For more information, you may contact Robert Varady at rvarady@email.arizona.edu or call at 626-4393.

Selection. Applications will be reviewed by a panel of former fellows and a representative from the National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution. The Center expects to announce the results of the competition in early June 2020.

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Each application must include this signed cover sheet, which indicates that the candidate's home department head or unit director and the dean have given prior approval regarding the applicant's eligibility and the arrangement for teaching replacement, should the applicant be successful.

Name of applicant

Applicant's rank

Applicant's home department or unit

I hereby approve this application and accept the terms of the teaching replacement funds.

Signature, Department Head or Director / Date

Signature, Dean / Date