

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

UDALL CENTER FELLOWS PROGRAM

Academic Year 2019–20

in association with the

Science, Health and Engineering Policy & Diplomacy Initiative

– Science Diplomacy and Public Policy –



In 2016 the University of Arizona organized an initiative on the theme of science diplomacy. An international conference was held on campus in early 2017 and a second conference is scheduled for October 2019. The effort, which has received special support from the provost, is known as the **Science, Health, Engineering and Policy Diplomacy Initiative (SPDI)** (<https://shepdiplomacy.arizona.edu>). It is intended to encourage scholarly inquiries into the general topic of science diplomacy.

The Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, which has been an active institutional participant in this initiative, has for the past 30 years hosted a fellows program intended to encourage research on aspects of public policy (<http://udallcenter.arizona.edu/news/articles/udall-center-fellows-programwhy-you-should-apply>).

For the 2019-20 academic year, the Udall Center and SPDI are teaming up in an attempt to promote research on public-policy dimensions of science diplomacy. Suitable topics include, but are not limited to, diplomacy concerning: climate, environment, water, public health, biotechnology, engineering, and scientific advancement of any sort.

The second component of this fellowship furthers SPDI's goal of providing science policy and diplomacy educational opportunities for graduate and advanced undergraduate students. The recipient will contribute content through the introduction or modification of a course focusing or having significant content in one of three SPD themes:

- "Science in diplomacy": Informing policy objectives with scientific advice.
- "Diplomacy for science": Facilitating international science cooperation.
- "Science for diplomacy": Using scientific cooperation to improve international relations between countries.

The focus field can be from the gamut of science, health and engineering disciplines but should be accessible to students with a range of backgrounds. A SPDI goal is to introduce a minor/certificate and include this course in its menu of options.

Eligibility. This component of the competition will be open to tenured/tenure-track 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 science, health or engineering theme.

Terms of the Fellowship. SPDI, RDI, and the Udall Center will provide the successful fellow's home department with \$10,000 to help cover the cost of teaching responsibilities for one semester. We expect fellows to be fully released from teaching for the semester of their fellowship; the funds are made available to units as compensation for the release time and to cover related critical teaching needs. Fellowships 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 prior to applying and should submit a signed form indicating departmental approval. The department head or director will be provided an opportunity to endorse an application (or not) and to provide relevant comments (see below). Applications will be reviewed by an academic selection committee that will make recommendations to the director of the SPD Initiative, the Senior

Vice President for Research (at RDI), 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, including the Science Policy and Diplomacy Initiative, 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 summary of the SPDI course including, at a minimum, course title, content, goals and learning objectives and its link to the SPD themes; (5) a curriculum vitae; (6) a letter of reference; and (6) a fully signed cover sheet bearing the signature of the department head/director. Electronic copies of the full packet should be submitted to Molli Bryson at mollic@email.arizona.edu by **April 19, 2019**. 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. The Center expects to announce the results of the competition in early May 2019.

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The Science, Health and Engineering Policy and Diplomacy Initiative, the Udall Center, and Research, Discovery and Innovation (RDI) will provide the successful fellow's department with \$10,000 to help replace the fellow's teaching responsibilities for one semester.

Each application must include this signed cover sheet, which indicates that the candidate's department head has 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