

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

UDALL CENTER FELLOWS PROGRAM
Academic Year 2025-26
in association with the
UA College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

– Social Sciences and Public Policy –



The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences (SBS) is pleased to announce the SBS component of the 2025-26 Udall Center Faculty Fellows Program. These fellowships are made possible by support from SBS. Two fellowships will be available. Since the Program's inception in 1990, the Center has hosted 184 fellows representing 51 schools, departments or centers at the UA. To date, 108 members of the SBS faculty, representing 21 departments and units, have been awarded fellowships.

The primary purpose of the fellowship is to support development of a research project with public policy relevance. Topics may span the range of public policy and 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 the Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute (SBSRI) and/or 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 2025-26 competition is open to tenured/tenure eligible or continuing/continuing eligible SBS faculty who will not be taking a sabbatical or other leave during the same academic year. Udall fellowships are not intended to precede or extend normal research leaves funded by the college, including sabbaticals and junior professional development leaves.

Terms of the Fellowship. We expect the fellow to be fully released from teaching for the semester of the fellowship. Depending on instructional need, SBS will fund replacement instruction (arrangements to be determined on a case-by-case basis between the Dean and unit head/director). 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 prior to applying and should submit a signed form indicating departmental and deans approval. Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee that will make recommendations to the SBS dean and the director of the Udall Center (who will inform applicants of awards following discussion with the units regarding 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 SBS, in grants 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 SBS dean (attached). Electronic copies of the full packet should be submitted to Carolina Pineda at carolinapineda@arizona.edu by **January 31, 2025**. For more information, you may contact Laura Lopez Hoffman at lauralh@arizona.edu.

Selection. Applications will be reviewed by a panel of former fellows and a representative of the SBS dean. The Center expects to announce the results of the competition by February 2025.

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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 release from teaching, should the applicant be successful. Depending on instructional need, the UArizona College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, will fund replacement instruction (arrangements to be determined on a case-by-case basis between the Dean and unit head/director).

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, SBS / Date