

UDALL CENTER FELLOWS PROGRAM

Presented by Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy in association with
Arizona Institute for Resilience (AIR)



ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC POLICY TRACK

The primary purpose of the UC Fellows Program is to support the development of a research project with relevance to the **environment, resilience, and public policy**.

Topics may span the range of themes in environmental 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 U of A. Over the course of the program, the UC Fellow will work with Research Development Services (RDS) in ORP to target, develop, and submit the proposal. By the end of the fellowship term, the UC Fellow will either have submitted a proposal or prepared a complete proposal draft.

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**MAY 18 -
JUNE 30
2026**

APPLICATION GUIDE

Eligibility

The Summer 2026 competition is open to tenured/tenure eligible or continuing/continuing eligible faculty who will not be taking a sabbatical or other leave during the same academic year and are able and eligible to perform their research over the Summer 2026 term. Udall fellowships are not intended to precede or extend normal research leaves funded by other colleges, including sabbaticals and junior professional development leaves.

Terms of the Fellowship

AIR with the support of the Udall Center will provide the successful fellow's home department in the form of supplemental compensation with up to \$12,500 + ERE or project support equivalent to be paid to the Fellow over the summer term (**May 18, 2026 through June 30, 2026**). We expect the fellow to be fully released from any teaching or other research responsibilities for the summer of the fellowship. The fellowship will be awarded only if the applicant's home unit supports the application and may only be used during the specified summer 2026 period. Potential applicants must discuss the prospects of such support with their department head or director prior to applying and should submit the signed form on the following page indicating departmental approval. The director will also be provided with an opportunity to endorse an application (or not) and to provide relevant comments (see below). Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee that will make recommendations to the directors of both AIR and the Udall Center (who will inform applicants of awards following discussion with the units regarding funds and release time). Fellows are expected to participate in the peer-to-peer mentorship meetings in the fall semester with other Udall Fellow cohort members and to present a colloquium on their fellowship period work at the AIR Perspectives on Resilience event. Additionally, acknowledgement of the institutional sources of support, including the Udall Center and AIR, in grants and publications resulting from the award.

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APPLICATION DEADLINE

FEB 16, 2026

Application Procedure

Prepare the following six documents and combine into a one single Adobe PDF:

Selection

Applications will be reviewed by a panel of former fellows and a representative of the AIR director. The Center expects to announce the selected researchers by March 2026.

Questions?

Please reach out for more information to the Udall Center's Dr. Laura Lopez Hoffman at lauralh@arizona.edu.

1

A brief statement describing policy research interests which includes "how said research benefits the State of Arizona"

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 current curriculum vitae

5

A letter of reference

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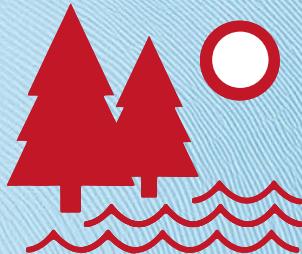
A signed cover sheet bearing the signature of the department head/ director and the AIR director (see next page)

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The Arizona Institute for Resilience will provide the successful fellow's department with the funds necessary (up to \$12,500 + ERE) to pay supplemental compensation or project support to the fellow over the summer term.

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

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COVER SHEET

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

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