
Governor's Fellowship



Application for
2016-2017

A Message from Governor Mike Pence

Thank you for your interest in learning more about the Governor's Fellowship Program. The call of public service is something each and every one of us should heed at some point in our lives. I am glad you are heeding that call with an application to participate in the Governor's Fellowship Program. Indiana State Government is filled with many great public servants, and the Governor's Fellowship allows you to learn from these individuals in a professional work environment. Working alongside those with experience in public service gives each fellow the ability to develop the needed skills to be successful in a future career and to impact Indiana in a positive way.

This is an exciting time for the Hoosier State. Together, we can build a more prosperous future and open doors of educational opportunity for all our kids. I know the best for this state is yet to come. We are looking for applicants like you to continue to achieve great things for Indiana.

Sincerely,



What is the Governor's Fellowship Program?

The Governor's Fellowship provides a unique experience in Indiana State Government. The program is highly selective, recruiting talented young men and women from across the state who will serve in various State agencies on a rotating basis over the course of a year. Fellows participate in the daily activities of State Government, complete special projects, and experience firsthand how policies are made.

Governor's Fellows work in a variety of settings. Many of those who have participated as Governor's Fellows over the past two decades have gone on to successful careers in both the public and private sector- some serving at the highest levels of local, State, and federal government. They have taken from their fellowship a solid understanding of the workings of government and have gained experience in a variety of areas. At the same time, fellows have been able to give back to the state through their year of public service.

ELIGIBILITY

The Governor's Fellowship Program is open to college graduates who have received their bachelor's degree in either the summer/fall of 2015 or the spring of 2016. While any such graduate may apply, special consideration is given to applicants from Indiana, and likely candidates will be a 3.0 or above grade point average.

SELECTION

The steering committee conducts an initial review of the applications; the most qualified candidates are then selected to interview with the committee at the State House in Indianapolis. After the interviews, the committee forwards its recommendations to the Governor based on applicant's leadership skills, academic record, references, quality of essay, and overall interest in State Government. The Governor then makes the final selection of the Governor's Fellows. Recipients of the Fellowship will be notified as soon as possible following the Governor's decision.

SALARY

Governor's Fellows receive a competitive salary (approximately \$24,000) plus full fringe benefits during the Fellowship year. The year of service corresponds with the State fiscal year, July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

If you have questions concerning the Fellowship program, please contact Hannah Brown at the Governor's Office at (317) 232-4567. The completed application and all supporting materials (A current official college transcript, the required essay, and 3-5 letters of recommendation, and resume) should be mailed or emailed in **one packet or one email** to:

The Governor's Fellowship Program
c/o Michael Neal
Office of the Governor
State House, Room 206
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Or

MNeal1@gov.in.gov

To be eligible for consideration, applications must be received by **May 8, 2016**. Again, all application material must be mailed or emailed together to avoid loss of documentation. Material sent separately will not be accepted.

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<http://www.in.gov/gov/>**



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(Applications must be typed; may be photocopied)

Name Mr. / Ms. _____

Current Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Home Phone ____/____ Cell Phone ____/____

Permanent Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Email Address _____

Education

A current, official grade transcript must be included in the application packet.
No other version will be accepted.

Undergraduate Institution _____

Grade Point Average at Graduation _____

Major (s) _____

Minor (s) _____

Degree's Earned _____ Dated Conferred _____

Other Institutions Attended _____

Honors and Extra-Curricular Activities

(Please attach a separate document, if necessary)

Work Experience

If applicable, please list your past two employers.

Name/Location of Employer _____

Dates of Employment _____ Position _____

Responsibilities _____

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Dates of Employment _____ Position _____

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References

At least three, but no more than five, letters of recommendation must be submitted with the application. List the names and positions of references below. Letters of Recommendation should illustrate diversity in an applicant's background.

Essay

Please include a brief typewritten essay in response to the following question:
What do you see as the greatest challenge facing the State of Indiana? What role can the government play in confronting the challenge? (approx. 500 words)

*****COMPLETED APPLICATIONS must be received no later than May 8, 2016***
(Including transcripts, reference letters, essay and resume)**