How to Apply

Note: Before applying for this fellowship, please review the fellowship applicant eligibility document at http://www.populationassociation.org/government-affairs/paa-fellowship/

The PAA Executive Branch Policy Fellowship application has four steps:
Step 1: Candidate Data
Step 2: Candidate Information
Step 3: Candidate References
Step 4: Candidate Agreement

The application is an interactive PDF. Please complete all four steps and e-mail by December 15, 2011 to: Juliane Baron at paaapc@crosslink.net.

Please use the following subject line: YOUR NAME, PAA Fellowship app.

References

When sending your requests for recommendations, please ask the recommender to include the following information:

- How long you have known the candidate and in what capacity
- The applicant's technical and/or extracurricular accomplishments and relative standing of the applicant among his/her peers
- The applicant's ability to communicate, both orally and in writing, and to interact productively with individuals and groups, especially non-scientific audiences
- The applicant's leadership qualities, problem-solving skills, initiative, maturity, and judgment
- The applicant's interest and experience in applying his/her expertise to the resolution of societal issues, as relevant to the specific fellowship program area to which s/he has applied
- The applicant's professional future, including possible impacts the fellowship may have
- Any other comments you believe are relevant the PAA Fellowship application
Information for Recommenders

The Population Association of America is a member organization of the AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellowships. The AAAS fellowships are opportunities for professional development and public service. The aim is to foster scientifically informed, evidence-based policy and practice by involving scientists and engineers from a broad range of disciplines, backgrounds and career stages to engage their knowledge and analytical skills while learning firsthand about policymaking and implementation at the federal level, and to build leadership for a strong S&T enterprise that benefits all people. This is accomplished by developing the capacity of scientists and engineers to effectively inform individuals and institutions that influence and determine policies, regulations and funding.

As part of the broader goals, the PAA fellowship is specifically targeted to population scientists.

The fellowship objectives are to:

- Educate scientists and engineers on the intricacies of federal policymaking;
- Provide information and analyses to address challenges that involve scientific and technological issues;
- Empower civic engagement and leadership of scientists and engineers by enhancing their skills to assess, communicate and apply science and technology in policy contexts; and
- Increase the involvement and visibility of scientists and engineers in the policy realm and foster positive exchange between scientific professionals, policymakers and regulators.

The deadline for receipt of recommendation letters is December 15, 2011. To ensure confidentiality, recommendation letters for PAA Fellowship applicants must be submitted directly to PAA. If you cannot provide a letter by the December 15 deadline, please contact the applicant immediately so another reference can be designated. [http://fellowshipapp.aaas.org/reference/login.asp?login=paaapc@crosslink.net&password=population1](http://fellowshipapp.aaas.org/reference/login.asp?login=paaapc@crosslink.net&password=population1)