Program Overview

The Board Fellows Program offers two exceptional area undergraduate students the opportunity to serve as ex-officio, non-voting members on the World Affairs Council of Jacksonville’s Board of Directors for a two-semester term (September through May). Board Fellows work closely with the Board of Directors and Council staff, attend board meetings and Council programs, serve on committees, and gain firsthand experience in community service and stewardship. Additionally, Board Fellows are provided professional networking opportunities with Jacksonville’s business and philanthropic leaders, and special access to premier Council offerings.

Application Form (due to the Council office by March 28, 2022)

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: ___________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
Email: ___________________________ Phone: ______________

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

University/College: _______________________________________
Major/Course of Study: _______________________________________
Academic Level: ___________ Current GPA: ____ Anticipated Graduation: _______

SCHEDULING INFORMATION

The Board Fellows Program is a significant commitment for two semesters. Therefore, applicants need to consider class (and work) schedules before making a commitment.

Key Council meetings and programs are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays:

- **Council Board Meetings** (attendance expected) are held on Thursdays (4:00-6:00 PM)
- **Global Issues Evenings** (attendance expected) are held on Tuesdays (7:00-8:30 PM)
- **The Annual Member Celebration** (attendance optional) will be scheduled for a Tuesday evening in May 2023
EXPECTATIONS OF BOARD FELLOWS

• Serve one Board term: September through May (9-month fellowship)
• Attend a minimum of three board meetings a year and join a Committee
• Attend Council programs (e.g. Global Issues Evenings, Global Business luncheons, Annual Member Celebration)
• Have access to reliable transportation/reliable internet to join virtual meetings
• Invite peers to attend/join Council offerings
• Provide a reflective learning statement/assessment at the end of the term

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

• GPA of 3.0 (or higher)
• Fulltime undergraduate student

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Please submit the following materials along with this completed 2-page application form:

• Current resume (1 page)
• Letter of recommendation: from an academic contact and one or from a professional, community, or extracurricular activities contact
• Proof of a 3.0+ GPA (unofficial transcript will suffice)
• Motivational Essay (1 page) explaining why you would like to be considered for this fellowship.
  In the essay, please demonstrate your:
  o Academic interest in nonprofit work
  o Extracurricular service activities
  o Leadership qualities and potential
  o Career aspirations
  o Other qualities that demonstrate you are an exceptional candidate and would make a great addition to Board Fellows Program

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