



# Breaking Ground

*International Studies and Public Policy Internship Newsletter*

## The Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Deadline Is Approaching Soon!!



### Want to Work in the Federal Government?

Studying abroad with the CLS Program gives you in-demand job skills and non-competitive eligibility for federal jobs!

**Apply Now: [clscholarship.org](https://clscholarship.org)**

**The Presidential Election has been stressful for a lot of people, so don't forget to take care of yourself and ask for help if you need it!!**

### What is CLS?

The Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program is a summer study abroad opportunity for American college and university students to learn languages essential to America's engagement with the world.

**Application Deadline: November 17, 2020 at 8:00pm Eastern**

[Apply Here](#)

We are here if you have questions or would like help going over your application!!

Languages Offered: Arabic, Azerbaijani, Bangla, Chinese, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Portuguese, Punjabi, Russian, Swahili, Turkish, Urdu

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Meet the presenter and [register on PCO](#) for the webinar.

[Register with individual companies here](#) and check out which companies are attending - check back regularly as companies will continue to be added.

# November 12, 2020

Learn more about the fellowship [here](#) and register on [PCO](#).

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# Alfa Fellowship Program



# Featured internship

## The Fund for American Students (TFAS)

*Washington DC (and Virtual)*

TFAS Offers multiple different internships throughout the year!

**Fall + Spring Academic Internship Programs in Washington, DC:** Through the Capital Semester program, TFAS brings students from across the U.S. and world to Washington for 15 weeks. Students will earn 12 credits from George Mason University, be placed in an internship within their fields of interest, and live in furnished apartments in the Capitol Hill neighborhood, just blocks from the Library of Congress and U.S. Capitol. The fall semester focuses public policy and international affairs, while the spring semester's theme is Leadership and the American Presidency. The spring program is sponsored in conjunction with the Ronald Reagan Institute.

*Spring 2021 Deadline: November 16*

**Summer Academic Internship Program in Washington, DC:** The summer program provides students from across the U.S. and abroad the opportunity to spend 8 weeks earning 3-9 credits from George Mason University, complete an internship placement in their field of interest, and live on George Washington University's campus – located just a few blocks from the State Department and White House. Our goal is to provide a real-world professional and academic experience for college students to help prepare them for responsible leadership in the future. Five program tracks are offered during the summer: Public Policy and Economics, International Affairs, Journalism and Communications, Business and Government Relations, and Leadership and the American Presidency.

*Summer 2021 Deadline: December 8*

For more information on the internship head [here](#) and apply [here](#).

## Internship at Geneva International Centre for Justice

Geneva, Switzerland

Geneva International Centre for Justice (GICJ) is an independent, non-profit, international non-governmental organization based in Geneva, dedicated to the promotion and reinforcement of commitments to the principles and norms of human rights.

GICJ is seeking experienced and highly motivated interns to help in implementing its programmes and activities in the fields of international law, international human rights law, journalism, social media, administration and fund-raising. Through the internship programme, GICJ contributes to the promotion of human rights and international law and provides interns with opportunities to deepen their knowledge with valuable hands-on experience and training. Although unpaid, the internship is an opportunity for those interested in learning more in the field of international law, international human rights and international humanitarian law, as well as multilateral diplomacy, to gain insight, knowledge, and professional experience.

For more information and to apply, visit [PCO](#).



## Student Scholarships:

Our merit-based scholarships are awarded twice per year to support and encourage women studying all aspects of International Trade including commercial relations, trade policy and negotiations, economic development, women's economic empowerment, and more.

- Applicants must identify as female and be currently enrolled at an accredited U.S. university or college, either full-time or part-time. Applicants must be undergraduate Juniors or Seniors or enrolled in graduate studies.
- Awards (\$1,500) will be based on the quality of the assigned essay and the applicant's demonstrated interest in international trade, and are made without regard to race, religion, age, national origin, ability, sexual orientation or gender identity.
- Selected winners will receive \$1,500 and:
  - One full year of personal mentorship by a WIIT Trust or a WIIT member
  - One full year of WIIT membership
  - One WIIT program based on the topic of the winning essay with knowledgeable professionals from the WIIT community
  - Scholarship winner will have a visible opportunity to engage in a role in the panel discussion.

## Application Requirements:

Essays must be on a relevant international trade topic (see suggestions below) and can either be a bespoke essay submission or an appropriately formatted existing academic paper from current class works.

Submissions must be:

- Minimum 5, and Maximum 10 numbered pages (excludes endnotes, bibliography, if used)
- Typed, double spaced, 12 pt Times New Roman font
- In PDF format
- Submitted to [info@wiittrust.org](mailto:info@wiittrust.org)

Application deadlines are April 1st and November 1st, and winners will be notified by May 15th and December 15th, respectively.

[Application Details and Form](#)

[Application Overview](#)

## Suggested Essay Topics:

- Trade & Development – trade policy impact on Sustainable Development Goals
- Trade & Empowerment – trade policy impact on gender diversity and economic empowerment
- Trade Agreements – select a current agreement and discuss trade impact on a specific industry and/or specific labor/workforce impact.
- US Trade policy – analyze current US trade agreement against defined US trade policy goals

If you have questions, please contact [info@wiittrust.org](mailto:info@wiittrust.org).