

**Committee on General Scholarships
HARVARD UNIVERSITY**

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

**THE ZUCKERMAN FELLOWS PROGRAM
Academic Year 2017-2018**

Fellowship Application Guidelines

Eligibility

- Candidates for the Zuckerman Fellows Program are individuals who have, or are pursuing, an M.B.A., J.D., or M.D., or D.M.D./D.D.S graduate degree from an accredited United States institution AND are seeking an *additional* degree from the Harvard Graduate School of Education, the Harvard Kennedy School, or the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. Students who are working toward a business, law, or medical degree and wish to undertake an additional degree, including students who are applying to joint or concurrent degree programs at Harvard, are eligible for consideration.
- Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- The fellowship application is separate from the candidate's application for admission to the Graduate School of Education, the Harvard Kennedy School, or the Chan School of Public Health. Applications for admission must be submitted to the appropriate school according to the deadlines established at that school. Fellows must be admitted to their programs at the Graduate School of Education, the Harvard Kennedy School, or the T.H. Chan School of Public Health in order to take up the Fellowship.
- Fellows must be in their first year at the Graduate School of Education, the Harvard Kennedy School, or the School of Public Health during their fellowship year. Further, fellows are required to be enrolled full time for the entire academic year at the Graduate School of Education, the Harvard Kennedy School, or the School of Public Health during their Fellowship year. There are NO exceptions to this policy.
- Zuckerman Fellowships may not be deferred except in exceptional circumstances.
- Most applicants who plan to enroll in a joint degree program with the Harvard Law School (HLS) will apply for the fellowship during their first year at HLS. However, applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the Committee on General Scholarships before submitting their application to determine the correct timing of their fellowship application.
- Fellows are required to participate fully in the co-curricular program during their fellowship year.
- Applicants are encouraged to contact the Committee on General Scholarships with any questions about eligibility before submitting their applications.

How to Apply

Candidates for the Zuckerman Fellowship must submit a fellowship application with the Committee on General Scholarships. The application requires the following materials:

- A completed and signed *Fellowship Application Form*

When filling out Part II and III of the Application Form, please note:

- Business, Law, or Medical Degree Background

Applicants should review the degree eligibility descriptions and choose the one that accurately describes their situation.

- Public Service Degree Program

Applicants must submit applications for admission to a degree program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, the Harvard Kennedy School, or the Harvard School of Public Health in order to be considered for a fellowship.

- *Resume or Curriculum Vitae*

□ *Statement of Purpose:* The Zuckerman Fellows Program is meant to prepare recipients to lead change in the public sector. Please provide a concrete example of your success as a leader in the past and discuss how you plan to bring your experience, education, and leadership capacity to bear on solving significant public service issues in the future. The typed *Statement of Purpose* should include the applicant's name on each page and the applicant's signature at the end of the document. The statement should not exceed 1,200 words.

□ *Letters of Recommendation:* Two letters of recommendation are required to support the application. They should be written specifically for the fellowship. The most effective letters will explicitly reference the applicant's leadership capacity and potential to lead change in the public sector. Letters of recommendation should be submitted on university or company letterhead and bear the recommender's signature. Letters may be scanned and sent via email by the recommender to: zuckermanfellows@harvard.edu. They can also be mailed to the Committee on General Scholarships, Harvard University, 14 Story Street, 3rd floor, Cambridge, MA 02138. **Please do not submit more than two letters of reference.** The Selection Committee will review two letters only.

The application form may be downloaded in PDF format at www.zuckermanfellows.harvard.edu.

Deadline

The Zuckerman Fellowship Application is due by 5:00p.m. on **Friday, January 6, 2017** to the Committee on General Scholarships. This is not a postmark deadline.

Submitting the Fellowship Application

Fellowship applications may be submitted via email to: zuckermanfellows@harvard.edu. If application materials are sent via email, they should be sent as one attachment and include the application form, resume or curriculum vitae, and the statement of purpose. Letters of recommendation should be sent separately by the recommenders. Applications may also be submitted via regular/express mail or in person to:

Committee on General Scholarships
Harvard University
14 Story Street, 3rd floor
Cambridge, MA 02138

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

Additional materials: Please do not submit additional materials (newspaper clippings, photos, portfolios, etc.). The selection committee will not review these materials.

Receipt Confirmation: You will receive an email confirming receipt of your application. If materials are missing from your application, we will contact you.

Contact Information

Questions about the application, guidelines, or eligibility requirements of the Zuckerman Fellowship should be directed to the Committee on General Scholarships at 617-496-5042 or zuckermanfellows@harvard.edu.

Questions about the academic programs at any Harvard graduate or professional school, or the admissions procedures or guidelines, should be directed to the admissions office of the school of your interest. Web site links to Harvard graduate and professional schools are available at the Harvard University home page, www.harvard.edu.

Questions about the Zuckerman Fellowship Co-curricular Program should be directed to the Center for Public Leadership at 617-496-5238 or zuckermanfellows@harvard.edu.

Please note: Harvard University will be closed from Friday, December 22, 2016 through Sunday, January 1, 2017.