



Edward J. Meade, Jr. Fellowship 2019 for HGSE Doctoral Students

Application Deadline – February 11, 2019 5pm

This exceptional opportunity for HGSE Doctoral Students provides access and personal introductions to key leaders at educational organizations of direct interest to the Fellow. Under the mentoring of Executives of The Institute for Educational Leadership (IEL), each Meade Fellow will enjoy a customized networking and highly educational experience based on the individual's professional interests.

The recipient of this fellowship will spend 5 days in Washington D.C. meeting leaders on the fellow's wish list of contacts. The days in Washington, DC are determined by the Fellow and IEL. The IEL will serve as the recipient's "home base" during this period. Helen Janc Malone, Director of Institutional Advancement and the National Director of Education Policy Fellowship Program (HGSE Ed.D. '13) will help target appropriate organizations and arrange meetings with key staff members. Examples of organizations that have been visited by Meade Fellows in the past include (but are not limited to):

- American Enterprise Institute
- Center for Children's Law and Policy
- Center for American Progress
- Center on Education Policy
- Center for Law and Education
- Century Foundation
- Council of Chief State School Officers
- Education Trust
- National Association of State Boards of Education
- National Governors Association
- National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
- National Council on Teacher Quality
- National Education Association
- Office of Refugee Resettlement
- UnidosUS
- US Department of Education
- White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans

This is truly a customized fellowship experience that will be structured to meet the recipient's needs and interests. The fellowship recipient and IEL may develop a very different list of Washington-based organizations, aligned directly to the recipient's interests.

Eligibility: Current HGSE doctoral students with an interest in domestic K-12 educational policy issues may apply. Note: *You are **not eligible** if you are graduating in March or June 2019.*

MEADE 2019 APPLICATION PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION STEPS:

1. GET DOCUMENTS READY:

*** Prepare your application statement**

Not exceeding three pages, detailing your career and/or academic interests as they relate to domestic educational policy. State what you hope to accomplish through the Meade Fellowship networking experience. If there are specific organizations on your wish list, list them and explain why you want to meet with them.

*** Create your resume: include address, telephone and email**

*** Have two letters of recommendation sent/mailed to YOU so you can include them in your application. NOTE: At least one letter must be from an HGSE faculty member.**

2. MERGE DOCUMENTS:

*** Merge all documents above together into one pdf document, preferably in the order listed, to create your multipage Meade Application.**

3. EMAIL YOUR APPLICATION as a PDF attachment to roger_dempsey@gse.harvard.edu

*** The deadline to email your application is 5pm on Monday, February 11, 2019.**

Selection Process: Applications will be forwarded by HGSE Career Services to IEL where they will be reviewed and judged by committee members there according to the following criteria:

- Relationship between career goals/academic study as they relate to domestic K-12 educational policy issues;
- Relevancy and depth of past work experience;
- Well-articulated personal goals for the fellowship experience.

The selection process should be completed, and Fellows announced in March. Candidates will be notified of their status at that time.

Expectations for the Recipient: The meetings in Washington, DC can take place anytime from May to end of June. The recipient will arrange their individual itinerary with the appropriate contact at IEL. Due to complex logistics associated with this fellowship, recipients are expected to not schedule other DC related meetings while in the midst of the Meade Fellowship experience. After the meetings in DC, the recipient is also **required to prepare a blog post for IEL News and a 2-3 page summary brief** on their individual experience and submit copies to HGSE Career Services Office and IEL within two weeks of completion. This report will be made available to future applicants and other interested parties.

Additional Information: In 2019, there will be up to two awards. The Meade Fellow will receive a financial stipend of \$4,000 to help cover housing, travel, food, and incidental expenses, and to cover an administrative fee to IEL of \$850. The recipient will pay IEL the \$850 administrative fee prior to or upon arrival at IEL. The first half of the \$4,000 award will be presented to the recipient in June, with the remaining half awarded after fulfillment of the outlined expectations. The recipient will provide proof of payment of the IEL administrative fee to the HGSE Financial Aid Office prior to the release of the remaining half of the award.

Questions can be addressed by Roger Dempsey at roger_dempsey@gse.harvard.edu or Mary Frazier-Davis at mary_frazier_davis@gse.harvard.edu

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