



STATE OF WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

George S. Mickelson Memorial Western Governors' Association Fellow

TIME LIMITED (12 MONTH DURATION)

THIS POSITION IS A WESTERN GOVERNORS' ASSOCIATION FELLOW

NOTE

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SALARY The Western Governors' Association (WGA) Mickelson Fellow will work in the Office of the Governor Christine O. Gregoire, incoming WGA Chair, for one year. The WGA will provide a \$40,000 stipend to the Fellow, concluding within 12 months of the starting date, and will reimburse travel expenses directly.

LOCATION Executive Policy Office
Office of the Governor Christine O. Gregoire
Olympia, Washington

OPENS May 5, 2011

CLOSES No later than May 20, 2011. Interviews will begin immediately.

The top candidates will be invited to an interview to determine the finalists for this position. Since the selection will be based on information provided by the candidates, it is in the candidate's best interest to address the mandatory and desirable qualifications of the job as they apply to knowledge, skills, and abilities.

OVERVIEW

The Office of the Governor is accepting applications for the Western Governors' Association George S. Mickelson Memorial fellowship program. The one-year position is open to all Washington residents pursuing or completing an advanced degree who have a strong interest in public policy with emphasis on environmental, natural resource, land use, energy, and outdoor recreation issues.

The George S. Mickelson Memorial fellowship program was established in 1993 to honor former South Dakota Governor George Mickelson, who died in a plane crash that same year. Beginning in mid 2007, WGA enhanced the Mickelson Award, making it an even more prestigious, year-long internship for a graduate student in the field of public policy. The Western Governors' Association Fellow will be selected by the incoming WGA Chair through a competitive process to serve in the Governor's office during her year as Chair. WGA will provide a stipend to the individual and may assist the Governor in overseeing the

internship, including providing experiences on regional policy matters within the Western Governors' Association.

Fellowship Goals

- Foster and encourage young leaders in the fields of public policy and state government through a one-year, paid internship.
- Provide the WGA Chair with a highly qualified graduate to assist with the workload during his or her one-year term as Chair.
- Build a prestigious public policy internship program in the Western region that both draws on, and builds upon, the reputation of the WGA and that honors the memory of former Governor Mickelson.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

- Fellowship applicants must be a graduate student (or recent graduate student) of any Washington State institution of higher learning, or a Washington resident who is a graduate student (or recent graduate student) at an out-of-state institution of higher learning.
- Applicants should have a strong interest in public policy and an understanding of Western issues.
- Strong writing skills.
- Strong focus on issues related to the environment, natural resources, land use, energy, and outdoor recreation including the promotion of outdoor recreational tourism in the west and outdoor recreational opportunities for youth.

PROCESS

Interested applicants should submit the following:

- A letter of interest, describing specific qualifications for the position;
- A current resume;
- A list of at least three professional references with current telephone numbers; and
- Personal Data sheet www.ofm.wa.gov/jobs/datasheet.doc

Please send completed application packets by mail, fax, or email to:

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