

Sasakawa Young Leaders Foundation Fellowship (SYLFF) Program

Application Forms for 2019-2020 Academic Year

The Sasakawa Young Leaders Foundation Fellowship (SYLFF) is designed to provide full financial support to outstanding Ph.D. students admitted to candidacy with a research concentration in international affairs and/or world peace. The SYLFF fellowship is a merit-based and competitive fellowship offered upon recommendation by the SYLFF Advisory Committee at Howard University.

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates must be advanced to Ph.D. candidacy with research and career interest in international affairs and/or world peace. Students must be enrolled full-time with a minimum GPA of 3.5.

TERMS

Full tuition and fees and a stipend of \$25,000 for one academic year, renewable for no more than two years. The fellowship also includes a research award of up to \$2,000 over the two-year period (\$500 of the research award may be used for educational supplies, and \$1,500 for dissertation research related travel expenses).

APPLICATION

One (1) copy of the materials listed below must be submitted to your department chair by Monday, February 11, 2019.

- [A COVER LETTER ENDORSING THE APPLICATION FROM THE CANDIDATE'S DEPARTMENT CHAIR OR THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES](#)
- [SYLFF APPLICATION FORM](#)
- [CURRICULUM VITAE](#)
- [APPROVED CANDIDACY FORM](#)
- [APPROVED DISSERTATION PROPOSAL \(5-10 PAGES\)](#)
- [STATEMENT ADDRESSING THE CANDIDATE'S RESEARCH CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND/OR WORLD PEACE AND HOW IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE TO SOCIETY. \(UP TO 3 PAGES\)](#)
- [TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: ONE FROM THE CANDIDATE'S MAJOR ADVISOR AND ONE FROM A FACULTY MEMBER AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY IN THE CANDIDATE'S RESEARCH AREA.](#)

Department Chair must submit the application packet to the SYLFF office, Room 200, Graduate School, Annex III, by 5 pm on Tuesday, February 19, 2019. Late applications will not be considered.

All inquires are to be addressed to Dr. Mika Kato at (202) 806-7887 or mkato@howard.edu.

Sasakawa Young Leaders Foundation Fellowship Application Form
 (Please print or type application.)

1. PERSONAL DATA

Name:		I.D. No.:
Address: Street		Apartment
City:	State:	Zip Code
Telephone No:	Email:	
Department:		Major Dissertation Advisor:

2. ACADEMIC STATUS

Course Work Completed: Yes ___ No ___		Passed Qualifying Exam: Yes ___ No ___ Date:
Doctoral G.P.A.	Cumulative G.P.A.	Date Admitted to Candidacy:

3. RESEARCH STATUS

Dissertation Title:
Briefly describe the current status of your investigation:

4. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Organization and Location	Degree	Year Conferred	Discipline

5. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Present Position: (if applicable)	Length of Employment:
Place of Employment:	
Business Address:	
Telephone:	
Nature of Job Responsibility:	
Previous Position:	Length of Employment:
Place of Employment:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Nature of Job Responsibility:	

6. PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

(Begin with most recent activity)

7. HONORS AND AWARDS

8. MEMBERSHIP IN LEARNED AND HONOR SOCIETIES

9. OTHER RELEVANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

10. Continuation Section
(Please use section numbers and, if necessary, attach additional pages to this application).

HOWARD UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL
SASAKAWA YOUNG LEADERS FELLOWSHIP FUND (SYLFF) AWARD

Appraisal of Application Form

Student's Name _____
LAST NAME
FIRST
MIDDLE

Notes to Recommendation Writer:

- Please use this form; you may, however, submit a separate letter of recommendation attached to this form.
- Please return this form to the student in a sealed envelope – please sign across the back flap after sealing it.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CANDIDATE'S MAJOR DISSERTATION ADVISOR

Name _____

Title _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Please rate the applicant on the following scales in comparison to other doctoral candidates you have known.

	<i>No Basis for Judgment</i>	<i>Below Average</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Very Good</i>	<i>Outstanding</i>
		<i>Lowest 35%</i>	<i>Middle 20%</i>	<i>Next 20%</i>	<i>Next 15%</i>	<i>Highest 10%</i>
<i>Intellectual Capability:</i> <i>Analytical Power</i> <i>Rigor of Thought</i> <i>Critical Facility</i> <i>Reasoning Ability</i>						
<i>Independence of Thought:</i> <i>Originality</i> <i>Imagination</i> <i>Creative Intelligence</i>						
<i>Effectiveness of Communication: Oral</i>						
<i>Effectiveness of Communication: Written</i>						
<i>Industry and Motivation:</i> <i>Persistence</i> <i>Self-Discipline</i> <i>Study Techniques</i>						
<i>Judgment and Maturity:</i> <i>Conscientiousness</i> <i>Common Sense</i>						
<i>Research Skills and Ability</i>						

CERTIFICATION OF RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:

Provide a brief statement of the applicant's research progress to date:

Based on this summary, in your estimation, will the applicant complete this dissertation by the end of the next academic year? Yes No

Signature

Department

**Name and Title
(Please Print or Type)**

Date

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TO BE COMPLETED BY A FACULTY MEMBER AT HOWARD OTHER THAN THE STUDENT'S MAJOR ADVISOR

Name _____

Title _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Specify relationship to applicant _____

Please rate the applicant on the following scales in comparison to other doctoral candidates you have known.

	<i>No Basis for Judgment</i>	<i>Below Average</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Very Good</i>	<i>Outstanding</i>
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<i>Effectiveness of Communication: Written</i>						
<i>Industry and Motivation: Persistence Self-Discipline Study Techniques</i>						
<i>Judgment and Maturity: Conscientiousness Common Sense</i>						
<i>Research Skills and Ability</i>						

In the space provided below, please make comments regarding the applicant's special interests, motivations, personal qualities, academic background, accomplishments and promise as a professional and a scholar.

OVERALL RECOMMENDATION:

Below Average Recommendation

Average Recommendation

Good Recommendation

Very Good Recommendation

Outstanding Recommendation

Signature

Department

**Name and Title
(Please Print or Type)**

Date