The Fellowship on Women & Public Policy is a program, of the Women’s Leadership Academy (WLA) at the Center for Women in Government & Civil Society, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy, University at Albany. The focal point of WLA is to fortify and fill the pipelines of women’s leadership so that public policy is informed by the unique experiences of women.

The Fellowship is a premiere, intensive leadership development, skill building and educational program designed to encourage highly qualified graduate students to pursue careers in public policy. Fellows are selected on a competitive basis, and participate in the program from early January through the end of June. Policy field experiences, workshops, conferences, community service opportunities, and academic coursework in public policy and advocacy, provide fellows with the skills needed to become policy and social change agents. The Fellowship program prepares the next generation of public policy leaders, by instilling the knowledge and nurturing the skills that empower them to become effective advocates and change agents.

Fellows work thirty hours a week at the placement and meet weekly for course work and professional development activities. Participants receive a $10,000 stipend to cover living expenses and receive nine graduate credits from the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, University at Albany, SUNY.

Students from all graduate programs or certificate programs in any NYS college or university are encouraged to apply, but must have completed twelve graduate credits at an accredited college or university, and have a minimum of three years of work experience.

While we anticipate that recruitment will continue into the Fall of 2016, we recommend that you submit your application early as recruitment takes place until all seats in the 2018 class are full. **Attach the following to your application** (a) a resume of your paid work and voluntary activity; (b) contact information of 5 references (2 academics and 3 professional); (c) two writing samples (this could be a professional or academic assignment that demonstrate your critical thinking and writing skills).

Submit all application material **electronically** to Bilge Avci, Program Coordinator, at bavci@albany.edu. Request the registrar of each college or university you have attended to send your electronic transcripts to: Bilge Avci, Program Coordinator, at bavci@albany.edu.

Deadline for applications is **August 15, 2017**.

If you have any questions, please contact Bilge Avci at (518) 591-8762 or bavci@albany.edu.

**Once your file is complete, you will be contacted by the Center to schedule an interview with the Selection Committee.**
FELLOWSHIP ON WOMEN AND PUBLIC POLICY
APPLICATION
(Please type or print clearly)

DATE:
NAME:

STREET ADDRESS:
CITY: STATE: ZIP:

TELEPHONE (daytime) (evening)

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

Please notify us immediately if you change your address or telephone number.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:
DATE OF BIRTH:
CURRENT ACADEMIC PROGRAM:

Institution:
Degree Sought:
Field of Specialization:
Expected Date of Graduation:

Have you completed 12 graduate credits as of this date? (circle one) YES NO

Are you an international student? (circle one) YES NO

(All international students must check with the appropriate International Student office at both your home University, and the University at Albany, to verify your ability to fully participate in the policy placement and academic coursework).
PREVIOUS ACADEMIC RECORD:

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NEW YORK STATE RESIDENT: YES  NO

UALBANY STUDENTS ONLY - DO YOU PAY (circle one):

IN-STATE TUITION  OUT-OF-STATE TUITION

1. PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF ACADEMIC, EMPLOYMENT, AND VOLUNTARY ACTIVITIES RELATED TO WOMEN'S ISSUES:

2. PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES RELATED TO PUBLIC POLICY:

3. PLEASE WRITE AN ESSAY OF 1500 WORDS ADDRESSING THE FOLLOWING:
   - What experiences have led you to your interest in public policy affecting women?
   - What activities demonstrate your commitment to and/or concern about issues which affect women?
   - Which areas of governmental action do you consider most urgent and important to women?
   - What place does this fellowship have in your long range goals?
   - How would you like to have grown, and what would you like to have learned by the end of the fellowship?