Jean Ellis Poletti Memorial Internship Fund & Arthur and the Maria Kelly Smith Endowment

Eligibility and Application

Jean Ellis Poletti Memorial Internship Fund Award
Awarded to a Rockefeller College graduate student participating in an internship at a local, state, or federal agency or at a nonprofit organization.

Arthur & Maria Kelly Smith Endowment Award
Provides support to graduate students at Rockefeller College participating in an internship in a public interest agency outside of government.

Eligibility to Apply
1. Rockefeller College graduate students are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to full-time MA, MIA, MPA and PhD students.
2. Students must be in good academic standing (3.0 GPA or higher).
3. Students must have an internship offer at the time of application.

Preference will be given to students who meet the following criteria:
1. Students who obtain an internship outside of the Capital Region
2. Students who participate in unpaid internships or who receive minimal payment
3. Students who exhibit financial need

Application Instructions
Students who submit an application will automatically be considered for both the Poletti and Smith awards, when applicable. Applications submitted by April 1 will be given first consideration; applications may be considered after the deadline contingent upon the availability of funds.

Applications must include the following:
1. A formal internship offer letter from your sponsoring organization (an email is acceptable as long as it is sent from the organization’s email address, i.e. no gmail addresses)
2. A one page statement that describes how participating in this specific internship will impact your future career and how an award from Rockefeller College would support your participation in this internship.
3. Resume
4. Budget of all expenses that will be incurred during internship term

Please submit applications and refer all questions to Yalitza Negron at ynegron@albany.edu.