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HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Public Governance Doctoral Fellow Position

The Harry S Truman School of Public Affairs at the University of Missouri is seeking applications for a three-year, funded doctoral fellowship training position in public governance. This fellowship will prepare an outstanding graduate student for an academic or applied research career focused on understanding the processes by which governing institutions evolve to meet changing social and economic conditions.

The Truman School is deeply interdisciplinary; the diverse academic training of our faculty gives students an opportunity to explore many theoretical and methodological perspectives. While paired with a faculty mentor, the Public Governance Fellow will also work with numerous other national and international governance experts from the Truman School and affiliated departments at the University of Missouri. Faculty include:

- **A. Cooper Drury**, professor of political science, who conducts research on foreign policy and international political economy
- **Lael Keiser**, professor of political science and public policy, who conducts research on the implementation of public policy, the relationship between the bureaucracy and other political institutions, representative bureaucracy, and social welfare and education policy
- **Ronald McGarvey**, assistant professor of public affairs and industrial and manufacturing systems engineering, who conducts research on applied optimization and its application to public policy and resource management
- **Judith Stallmann**, professor of agricultural and applied economics, rural sociology, and public affairs, who conducts research on state and local public finance, rural economic development, and fiscal and economic impact analysis
- **Mary Stegmaier**, assistant professor of public affairs, who conducts research on voting behavior, parties, elections, and political representation in the U.S. and abroad

A second, distinct advantage at the Truman School is its emphasis on rigorous research with an explicit focus on the point where theory meets practice. As such, the Public Governance Fellow will gain policy-relevant research experience, including opportunities to collaborate with research centers at the Truman School and throughout the University of Missouri. Research centers include:

- **The Population, Health and Education Center**, which promotes Big Data research and houses the University of Missouri Research Data Center—one of only 24 sites nationwide that are part of the Federal Statistical Research Data Center program
- **The Institute of Public Policy**, which provides independent, nonpartisan, and evidence-based state and national policy recommendations on topics such as food policy, criminal justice policy, public opinion polling, and election forecasting



The Public Governance Fellow will enroll in a specialized coursework plan leading to a Ph.D. in Public Affairs. The program of study may include courses in public governance, public institutions, organizational studies, and political economy. The Truman School offers small classes, close relationships with faculty mentors, and opportunities to participate in ongoing research. The result is a rich academic experience that leaves graduates well prepared for academic, research, and policy careers.

The Public Governance Fellowship includes full tuition reimbursement for coursework and a stipend of \$18,000 per year. In addition, the Truman School provides annual travel funding for graduate students to attend national and international conferences, as well as support for dissertation-related expenses.

Applications for the Public Governance Fellowship are due by January 5, 2018. To apply, follow the Truman School's formal application and admissions process and include a description of your interests and qualifications for the Public Governance Fellowship in the personal statement. The process of selection for the fellowship is competitive; a fellowship will be awarded only if a suitable applicant is identified.

We encourage you to visit the Truman School website, <http://truman.missouri.edu/>, where you will find general information about research and studies at the Truman School and more about the interests and expertise of our faculty members as well as current Ph.D. students. Also visit our webpage specifically for prospective students, <http://truman.missouri.edu/prospective-students>, where you can read about our doctoral studies program and learn more about the application process and requirements.