

City Hall Fellows

Newsletter

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Houston & San Francisco Selected to Host Inaugural Programs

City Hall Fellows is pleased to announce the selection of the City of Houston and the City and County of San Francisco as the inaugural City Hall Fellows locations. Houston and San Francisco each plan to host 10 Fellows during 2008-2009. In his letter of intent to participate, Houston Mayor Bill White stated: "The outcomes of City Hall Fellows bode well for local city governments that will benefit from the energetic and talented college fellows who will focus their skills, thoughts and passion on issues facing the City."

College seniors interested in serving as a City Hall Fellow in Houston or San Francisco should apply immediately. **Applications are due February 29, 2008.** Click [here](#) for the application form and for more details about the application process.

City Hall Fellows Expands National Advisory Board

City Hall Fellows proudly announces the addition of the following distinguished individuals to its National Advisory Board:

- **Governor Michael S. Dukakis**, former Governor, State of Massachusetts; Distinguished Professor, Northeastern University and University of California Los Angeles
- **Mickey Edwards**, Member of Congress 1976-1992; Vice President, The Aspen Institute; Director, Aspen-Rodel Fellowships in Public Leadership
- **Carl Fillichio**, Vice President, Innovation and Public Engagement, The Council for Excellence in Government
- **Russ Finkelstein**, Associate Director, Action Without Borders / Idealist
- **George R. Hedges**, Name Partner, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart Oliver & Hedges, LLP
- **Andy Kopplin**, Executive Director, Louisiana Recovery Authority
- **C. Corina Monzón**, Project Manager, Office of the Controller, City and County of San Francisco
- **Ayan L. Rubin**, Strategic Vice President, DRW Consultants, LLC

For a complete list of our National Advisory Board members, click [here](#).

City Hall Fellows Seeks Accomplished Academics to Participate in Designing Our Unique Civic Leadership Development Program

City Hall Fellows' proprietary Civic Leadership Development Program sets our fellowship apart. The intensive, 12-month program (which runs concurrently with Fellows' work placements) will ground Fellows in the mechanics, politics and challenges of local government and local government leadership through the lens of their host city. For more details, click [here](#).

Founder's Corner

As 2007 draws to a close and a new year is visible on the horizon, City Hall Fellows is looking



towards the future -- a future in which America's cities lead the way in innovative, and cross-disciplinary responses to society's problems. For that future to become a reality, America's best and brightest must go into city government, for a city government is only as good as the people who serve in it. Since our inception nine months ago, City Hall Fellows has taken great first steps to make that happen. But our work is just beginning. We can't build a new generation of enlightened civic leaders without your help. Your financial support will help us attract the next generation of civic leaders into public service and prepare them to be as knowledgeable about environmental science as they are about political science, as comfortable with art as they are with policy, to favor considered action over eloquent rhetoric, to remain focused on the people they are serving and leave partisan debates to the historians, and to strengthen our civilization from the ground up - starting with the neighborhoods we each call home. Happy holidays!

- Bethany Rubin Henderson

Our Endorsements

City Hall Fellows continues to garner support from national leaders in the fields of local governance and civic education, as well as from mayor's offices and community groups eager to bring City Hall Fellows to their cities. Among the

City Hall Fellows is putting together a select, nationwide group of academics from all disciplines to advise on the design and content of the Civic Leadership Development Program. Over the past months, several established national organizations encouraged their constituents to participate on City Hall Fellows' Foundation Year National Academic Advisory Board, including:

- [National Association of Schools of Public Affairs & Administration](#)
- [International City/County Management Association](#)
- [American Political Science Association](#)
- [National Coalition for Dialogue & Deliberation](#)
- [National Alliance for Civic Education](#)

organizations providing written endorsements are:

- National League of Cities
- Office of the Mayor, City of Boston
- Office of the Mayor, City and County of San Francisco
- University of Pennsylvania Civic House
- Council for a Better Louisiana
- Baton Rouge Area Convention & Visitors' Bureau

Applications for the National Academic Advisory Board will be accepted through December 31, 2007. Persons interested in participating should send a c.v. and brief cover email describing their interest to jason@cityhallfellows.org. Final selections will be announced in January 2008.

About Our Logo

City Hall Fellows' logo was designed by a husband-and-wife team of architects, Karen and Brian Brooks. They chose an iconic image of a seat of government and contemporized it to symbolize a connection between cities' history and the future City Hall Fellows envisions for them. The rust color was selected because it embodies boldness and strength, yet is not burdened with connotations of political partisanship.

Support City Hall Fellows

We can't create the next generation of enlightened civic leaders without your help. Please include City Hall Fellows in your year-end charitable giving.

Click [here](#) to donate online



Or, send a donation by check to:

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City Hall Fellows is Now Online

Visit www.cityhallfellows.org to keep up to date with our progress, to apply to be a Fellow, or to learn how you can help support revitalizing your city government.

Apply to Be a City Hall Fellow

Applications for the Inaugural Class of City Hall Fellows are now available - click [here](#). City Hall Fellows is looking for high-achieving college seniors with the self-starting, entrepreneurial spirit to help us build this program. If you are ready to have an amazing public service experience with a terrific, diverse group of recent college graduates, apply to be a part of our movement!

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