

## African American Mayors Association 2024 Future Leaders Fellowship Program

The African American Mayors Association's 2024 Future Leaders Fellowship (FLF) is a paid summer program that offers undergraduate students an opportunity to learn and navigate the functions of local government. The Fellowship will be four weeks of intensive public policy advocacy training in Washington, D.C. followed by four weeks of remote work from home, including an on-site visit to work within a member mayor's policy office during the remote work period. Fellows will receive hands-on training and conduct research centered around racial and economic justice policy. In addition, fellows will be able to connect with AAMA mayors and partners for professional development workshops via videoconference and in person. The 2024 program will place a unique emphasis on public-private partnerships and how corporations and outside groups influence policymakers. Upon successful completion of the program, Fellows will be awarded a \$500 book voucher for the upcoming academic year. The program will start on June 3, 2024, and end July 26, 2024 (Fellows will be onsite in D.C. during the month of June, housing provided).

The final application deadline for the 2024 Future Leaders Fellowship (FLF) program is Sunday, March 10, 2024, at 11:59 PM EST. Please direct all questions to AAMA Director of Policy & Programs, Darian Vayson, at Darian@OurMayors.org.

## **Program Requirements:**

- Applicants must be eligible to work in the U.S.
- Rising Sophomore, Junior or Senior enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program
- Must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or higher (on a 4-point scale)
- Selected participants must be available for the entire program from June 3 July 26, 2024

### **Application Documents Reviewed:**

- Resume
- College Transcripts (unofficial versions will be accepted)
- Essay Response (up to 500 words)
  - o The Future Leaders Fellowship Program seeks to uplift the next generation of diverse community leaders with innovative ideas and approaches to issues facing this country. In the context of your hometown (or current place of residence), describe a current public policy issue that you are most passionate about. How does the issue impact the lives of residents? Who or what are the actors at play? What are some possibilities for addressing this issue?

To apply for the 2024 Future Leaders Fellowship (FLF) program, application materials must be submitted online at this link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/FLF2024app">https://tinyurl.com/FLF2024app</a> by Sunday, March 10, 2024.

#### **Interests/Areas of Study:**

Social Sciences/Liberal Arts; Public Service; Law; Government and Business Administration; Finance \*Majors in all accredited disciplines are accepted and encouraged to apply.

# **About the African American Mayors Association**

The African American Mayors Association (AAMA) is the only organization exclusively representing African American mayors in the United States. AAMA exists to empower local leaders for the benefit of their citizens. The role of the African American Mayors Association includes taking positions on public policies that impact the vitality and sustainability of cities; providing mayors with leadership and management tools; and creating a forum for member mayors to share best practices related to municipal management.