FRANCE-STANFORD CENTER FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
2016-2017 UNDERGRADUATE FELLOWSHIP
CALL FOR APPLICATIONS (June 1, 2016 - August 31, 2017)

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: FEBRUARY 1, 2016

http://francestanford.stanford.edu

Who is eligible: Stanford undergraduate students

What for: Research project or internship in France

Amount: Up to $7,000, depending on length of project (see details under Funding)

Deadline: February 1, 2016

Mission of FSCIS
The France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies aims to bridge the disciplines of the humanities, social sciences, sciences, engineering, business and law, addressing historical and contemporary issues of significance for France and the United States from a broad range of perspectives. Its programs bring faculty members, researchers and students from across Stanford's departments and schools into contact with colleagues in France, to explore issues of common intellectual concern, to advance collaborative research, and to foster interdisciplinary inquiry.

Eligibility
Applicants for the Undergraduate Fellowship Program must be Stanford undergraduate students – i.e., they must be pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Bachelor of Sciences (B.S.) or a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences (B.A.S.) degree.

The FSCIS Undergraduate Fellowships are intended to fund Stanford undergrads interested in undertaking research or pursuing an internship at a French institution. The phrase “French institution” is intended to be interpreted broadly, encompassing public and private universities, public technical universities, institutes of technologies and autonomous scientific higher education institutes, Grandes Ecoles, government agencies and organizations, non-governmental organizations, and public and private companies. Pursuant to University policy, the Center is not permitted to invite undergraduates based at other institutions (either in the U.S. or abroad) to pursue research at Stanford. Please note that applicants seeking to do research or pursue an internship in France need not possess U.S. citizenship.

Please note as well that this program is not intended to fund summer language studies.

If you are awarded a grant, in order to receive your stipend you must show proof of current enrollment to the Student Affairs Officer of your department.

Accordingly, projects planned for the fall, winter, or spring quarters can be funded only if (1) the applicant receives approval for a leave of absence; and (2) such leave is approved for academic purposes.

For more information on Undergraduate Leaves of Absence, please visit: http://www.stanford.edu/dept/registrar/bulletin1112/4956.htm

In addition, pursuant to Stanford policy, all grant recipients must be enrolled at Stanford the quarter following the completion of the project for which they received funding. Thus, students who wish to pursue a fellowship the summer after their senior year may do so, but only if they apply for and receive permission from the University Registrar to enroll for a “graduation quarter” the following fall.

For more information on graduation quarters, please visit: http://www.stanford.edu/dept/registrar/bulletin1011/4941.htm

Funding
Students are expected to pursue projects that will take on the order of 2 to 4 months to complete. The maximum funding
available for a 2-month project (i.e. most summer projects) is $4,000. Projects lasting 3 months may be funded up to a maximum of $5,500 and those lasting 4 months up to $7,000. As indicated in the application materials, please submit an itemized budget. Funding can be used to cover travel (airfare and additional transportation), lodging, and other costs of living while undertaking the project.

Application Procedure and Deadlines
Applicants should submit the following documents combined in one single document (PDF or word format):

- Completed application form (1 page).
- Itemized budget (1 page).
- Letter to the France-Stanford Center Director describing the applicant’s research interests and plans during the proposed visit to a French institution (as defined above). The letter should identify the particular individuals with whom the applicant will be working, including one who agrees to serve as the official “sponsor”. So too, it should indicate the proposed length of stay (between two to four months) and the proposed dates of the visit. In addition, it should discuss ways in which the applicant’s research and educational objectives will further the goals of the France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (2 pages).
- Recommendation letter from the applicant’s advisor, discussing the applicant and the merits of the proposed visit (1 page). Advisor should send letter directly by email to Isabelle Collignon, isabelle@stanford.edu.
- Letter from the individual serving as the official sponsor, explaining the nature of the applicant’s proposed research/work activities and plans fully to incorporate him/her into the host environment (1 page).
- Applicant’s CV (1 page).
- Unofficial transcript of Stanford courses.

Visa Information
The France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies is unable to provide visa assistance. Visitors to France (including especially, but not only those wishing to remain in France for more than three months) are strongly advised to contact the French Consulate in San Francisco to ensure that they have the appropriate visa required for entry. Details can be found at: http://www.consulfrance-sanfrancisco.org/spip.php?rubrique806

Logistical Information
The France-Stanford Center staff is unable to assist visitors with finding housing in France.

Deadline
Please submit the application materials by February 1, 2016.
Late applications are unlikely to be accepted. Notification of fellowship recipients will occur by the end of March.

Questions
Questions can be directed to the Center’s Director, Amalia Kessler (akessler@law.stanford.edu) or the Program Coordinator, Isabelle Collignon (isabelle@stanford.edu).