City Hall Fellows are grouped in 8-16 person cohorts and paired with key departments to perform significant work serving the needs of their host city. Over the past six years nearly 100 Fellows have work in agencies and departments focused on: airports & public transportation; civic innovation; public works; security & emergency planning/preparation; civic engagement & immigrant affairs; public utilities including wastewater,

water, & power operations; risk management; rec & park; capitol planning, economic development; library; human resources; and more.

In addition to working on critical city projects, Fellows participate in a Civic Leadership Development Program spanning the entire fellowship term. This program introduces Fellows to the history, organization and politics of their host city, teaches Fellows about the ins and outs of local government operations,

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and the various individuals/organizations that influence public policy and the public policy-making process. Through the Program, Fellows get to tour city facilities, explore public policy issues facing America's cities and dialogue with leading city officials and other policy

makers and policy influencers about the mechanics, politics & challenges of local governance.

As part of the Program, Fellows gain first-hand experience with the state and federal levels of government, including meetings with political leaders, city lobbyists, think tanks, and professional organizations that impact civic policymaking at those levels.

### **Qualifications**

The City Hall Fellows program is designed primarily for recent college graduates who have not yet attended grad school (Master' Degrees do not impact your chances of being considered.

Applicants need not have earned their degree before applying but must earn a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution prior to the fellowship program's start date in early August.

While there is no GPA cut-off, the fellowship is highly competitive. Preference will be given to applicants who have a demonstrated connection to the city where they are applying.

## **Application Information**

Applicants from all majors and academic disciplines will be considered and are encouraged to apply. Fellows are expected to possess the following characteristics:

- (i) Academic achievement,
- (ii) Strong written and oral communication skills,
- (iii) Leadership potential and ability,
- (iv) Dedication to learning about what it takes to run a metropolitan city, contributing to society; and
- (v) An entrepreneurial spirit suitable for participating in this highly competitive program.

The application period for the 2015-16 Fellowship Year opens in mid-February and closes mid-March for the San Francisco Cohort.

Additional information about the program, a form that provides for automatic notification when applications are available, and additional materials and instructions can be found on City Hall Fellows' website:

# www.cityhallfellows.org/apply

#### For More Information:

Visit: http://www.cityhallfellows.org

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# Changing the Future of America's Cities

City Hall Fellows is a non-partisan nonprofit dedicated to training the next generation of civic leaders for America's cities. Our 12-month long, paid, post-college fellowship program combines hands-on experience working within the highest levels of local government with intensive civic leadership training.

# **Job Description**

City Hall Fellows gives intelligent and energetic recent college graduates the opportunity to make significant change at the grassroots level right out of school. City Hall Fellows combines an intensive, on-the-ground, full-time employment experience in local government with a Civic Leadership Development Program that prepares participants to be effective civic leaders.