

Empowering the Next Generation of Technology Leaders in the U.S. Foreign Service

The Foreign Affairs Information Technology (FAIT) Fellowship is designed for highly talented individuals who want to pursue an IT-related bachelor's or master's degree and a career as a Foreign Service Information Management Specialist (IMS), supporting diplomacy through technology around the world.

As one of several high-profile U.S. Department of State diversity recruitment programs, the FAIT Fellowship focuses on attracting and growing top technology talent that reflects the diversity of the United States. Women, members of minority groups underrepresented in the Foreign Service, and those with financial need, are encouraged to apply.



As a FAIT Fellow, you will receive:

- **Up to \$43,500 annually** (for two years) in academic funding for tuition, room and board, books, mandatory fees and some travel expenses.
- **Two summer internships** (with up to \$11,000 in stipend support): one at a domestic office of the Department of State in Washington, D.C. and one overseas at a U. S. embassy or consulate.
- **Orientation** to the Foreign Affairs IT Fellowship program, the Foreign Service career path and to the Department of State.
- **Professional development**, including a 10-week series during the first summer internship in D.C.
- **Mentoring** from a Foreign Service IMS throughout the duration of the fellowship.
- An appointment as a Foreign Service IMS upon successful completion of the program and Foreign Service entry requirements. Fellows agree to a minimum five-year commitment upon entry into the Foreign Service.

To be eligible to apply, you must:

- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Be enrolled full-time in an IT-related bachelor's degree program **OR** seeking admission to an IT-related master's degree program at a U.S.-based accredited institution.
- Be on a timeline to graduate with your bachelor's or master's degree in spring 2025 while enrolled full-time for spring and fall semesters.
- Hold a minimum 3.2 GPA on a 4.0 scale at the time of the application, and maintain this GPA throughout the program.





As a FAIT Fellow, you must:

- Attend the orientation in Washington, D.C., which takes place in June after selection.
- Obtain and maintain <u>medical and security clearances</u> and suitability requirements.
- Maintain your status as a full-time student (fall and spring semesters) in your approved degree program.
- Maintain a minimum 3.2 GPA and stay on the two-year timeline to graduate with your degree.
- Fulfill the summer internship obligations during your first year and second year as a FAIT Fellow.
- Agree to a minimum five-year commitment with the Foreign Service upon successful completion of the program and Foreign Service requirements.
- Be prepared to enter the Foreign Service after you complete the two-year fellowship.

As a Foreign Service IMS, you will:

- Safeguard communications and promote transparent, interconnected diplomacy throughout more than 270 U.S. embassies, consulates and missions abroad.
- Have the unique opportunity to engage in diplomacy and make a positive impact worldwide – all while developing yourself personally and professionally.
- Experience daily the challenge and excitement of a career at the intersection of information technology and foreign affairs.

Are You Ready to Start Your Journey?



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