Student Request for Funding Consideration/Continuation of Funding 2005-2006

PLEASE RETURN BY MAY 5, 2005

Please complete if you seek funding for the 2005-2006 academic year.

If you have already been awarded funding, the second and, where applicable, third years of previous commitments by the College will be honored (as long as you remain in good standing). You still need to complete this form.

If you have not been awarded funding for the 2005-2006 academic year, and seek funding, please indicate the type sought. PLEASE NOTE FUNDING IS GENERALLY AVAILABLE ONLY FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS (registered for at least 9 credits/semester). Also answer #1 and #2 below.

Tuition only □ Stipend & Tuition □
(May include 20 hr./week research assistantship requirement)

Name: ________________________________________

Phone Number(s) where you can be reached: _______________E-mail _____________________

Current Program: □ MA □ MPA □ PhD

Current status: □ 1st year □ 2nd year □ 3rd year □ Other_______________________

Please indicate your residency status: Out-of-State □ DE Resident □

What is anticipated date of completion of all requirements of the program? ________________ (Mo/Yr)

1. Student research interests and skills ____________________________________________

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2. Comments/Requests (e.g., change of interests, change of center)

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Various forms of financial aid are available to students in the School's three degree programs--M.A. and Ph.D. in Urban Affairs and Public Policy and Master's of Public Administration. Though there is keen competition for financial aid, the School has been able to provide support for a majority of its full-time students. Aid is awarded on the basis of merit and the various restrictions established by the sources of aid. The following categories apply:

**Research Assistantships**--most of the financial aid provided is in the form of research assistantships. A research assistantship provides fall and spring tuition funding and a stipend--$12,200 for 2005-06--paid over the nine-month period September through May. Students are expected to work 20 hours per week, including during Winter session (the month of January). As far as possible, students are assigned to projects which are related to their research areas.

**Internships and Off-Campus Research Assistantships**--usually with state or local government agencies or nonprofit agencies--are arranged by the internship coordinator and the students and take place in the summer following the first year of study in the M.P.A. and M.A. programs. Interns are paid approximately $12-$15 per hour. Internships and off-campus research assistantships are also arranged through the School's research centers and involve placements with national and international organizations.

**Fellowships**--occasionally full-time students (9 graduate-level credit hours) are awarded fellowships, which provide fall and spring tuition and a stipend--$12,200 for 2005-06--paid over the nine-month period of September through May. There is no work requirement for fellowships.

**Scholarships**--some scholarships are awarded to full-time students (9 graduate-level credit hours) who do not receive stipends; scholarships provide tuition for the fall and/or spring semesters (tuition fees for 2004-05 are $6,304 for Delaware residents and $15,990 for non-residents). A limited number of scholarships for part-time students may be awarded for individuals to take one course.

**Other Useful Information**

Financial aid is renewable, subject to availability of funds and to satisfactory academic progress and completion of any required project work. M.A. and M.P.A. financial aid awards are for two years and cover tuition and/or stipend. Ph.D. awards normally include tuition and stipend for two years and a stipend for a third year, with a possible renewal for a fourth year, if necessary. (Ph.D. students are expected to have passed their qualifying examinations at the end of the first year; and to have completed their dissertation proposal and be admitted to candidacy at the end of the second year.)

Students must be enrolled full time (9 graduate level credit hours) during the fall and spring semesters.

Health insurance is provided at a reduced rate to students on contract for a full semester (or for the academic year). The health insurance, however, covers only the student; additional insurance for a spouse or dependent may be purchased through the University.

Residence Hall Director employment opportunities are available to full-time, matriculated graduate students. Leadership experience on a school campus is preferred. For information and an application call the Office of Residence Life at (302) 831-1201 or visit http://www.udel.edu/reslife/. The deadline for applications is in early March for the following academic year.