Gaither Junior Fellows Program (formerly called the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Junior Fellows Program)

Website: Gaither Junior Fellows Program (formerly the Carnegie Junior Fellows Program)

Campus Contact: Barbara Gorka, barbara.gorka@temple.edu, 215 204 0708

Internal Deadline: November 15 annually

Award Description:

Each year the endowment offers approximately 10-12 one-year fellowships to uniquely qualified graduating seniors and individuals who have graduated during the past academic year. They are selected from a pool of nominees from close to 400 participating colleges. Carnegie junior fellows work as research assistants to the endowment's senior associates.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be graduating seniors or students who have graduated during the last academic year. No one who has started graduate studies is eligible for consideration (except in cases where the student has completed a joint bachelor's/master's degree program).

Students should have completed a significant amount of course work related to their discipline of interest. Language and other skills may also be required for certain assignments.

Internal Application Instructions and Checklist:

Each October, the Carnegie Endowment for Peace forwards application materials to institutional representatives (at Temple University, Barbara Gorka), which may then be disseminated to interested students.

Submit the following documents to Fellowships Advising at barbara.gorka@temple.edu or feladv@temple.edu by November 15.

_____ Campus Waiver and Agreement. Complete the online agreement. (Temple alumni without an active TU ID should request a paper version from barbara.gorka@temple.edu or feladv@temple.edu.)
Two Letters of Recommendation. Writers should send letters of support to Barbara Gorka (barbara.gorka@temple.edu) as a PDF attachment by November 15. These letters can come from anyone you feel can best speak to your abilities as a potential Gaither Junior Fellow. You may want to send these Temple letter-writing guidelines to your references.

Resume/CV (1-2 pages)

Transcripts. Submit an unofficial copy of your Temple transcript or academic record as a PDF. If you earned transfer credit for work at a previous institution, summer school, or study abroad (on a non-Temple program), please provide an unofficial transcript as a PDF.

Gaither Junior Fellows Program Application. The application is not available on the Gaither Junior Fellows Program website. Candidates must speak to the institutional representative (Barbara Gorka, Barbara.gorka@temple.edu) to receive the updated form. Application forms are usually made available to the institutional representative by late August or early September.

Essay 1. One page or less, double-spaced on why you want to become a junior fellow.

Essay 2. No more than three typed pages, double-spaced on one of the application topics. The topics are intended to test skills in analysis, logic, and written expression. The essays should be analytical thought pieces, not research papers. Students should submit an essay related to their primary research program interests. Essay topics are not available on the Gaither Junior Fellows Program website. Candidates must speak to the institutional representative (Barbara Gorka, Barbara.gorka@temple.edu) to receive the updated essay topics. Topics are usually made available by late August or early September.
Carnegie Application for Nomination

PART I: Personal Information

Date: _______________    Name: _____________________________________  TU ID: __________________________

Date of graduation: ____________________   Cell #: ____________________

Citizenship (please circle):       American citizen       Permanent resident       Visa holder

Permanent Address:
___________________________________________________________________________________________

Major(s) and Minor(s): ___________________________________________________________________

Current GPA: _________

PART II: Recommenders

Two letters of recommendation are required to apply for nomination. Writers must provide letters of reference to Barbara Gorka (barbara.gorka@temple.edu) as email attachments or in hard copy to Suite 201 Tuttleman Learning Center by November 15. These recommendations can come from anyone the student feels can best speak to their abilities as a potential Carnegie Junior Fellow. Please list the names of your references, their department/office, and email address below.

1) __________________________________________________________________________________________
2) __________________________________________________________________________________________

PART III: Additional Transcripts

If you attended a postsecondary institution prior to Temple, please provide a photocopied or unofficial transcript. Temple University transcripts are not required at this time.

PART IV: Waiver

I, ______________________________________, do hereby consent to the following initialed items in pursuit of the
________________________________________ (Scholarship/Award Name).

_________ (Required) As required under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, I hereby grant permission to officials of my institution to release transcripts of my academic progress and standing, including my grade point average (GPA),
individual course grades, individual assignment grades, and/or other similar academic information and information submitted as part of the application for this award, to members of the internal nominating committee, which will consist of employees of Temple University.

________ (Required) I grant permission to officials of my institution to contact recommenders listed in this application to solicit feedback on my academic progress and standing.

________ (Required) I grant permission to the Associate Dean of Students at Temple University to release information to the nominating committee from official records pertaining to academic honesty and conduct offense violations, and to provide contextual information as to the severity of these offenses. This information may be given in either verbal or written form.

________ (Required) I grant permission to the nominating committee to review publicly available on-line information and images pertaining to my person as part of the selection process.

________ (Required) I certify that all of the information I include in my application for this award, including listings of activities and awards, research undertaken or planned, and personal statements or other essays, is my own work and is accurate and honest to the best of my knowledge.

________ (Required) I waive any right I may have to view faculty and institutional letters of recommendation that are written for the purpose of this award competition. While copies of these letters may be provided to me by the authors, I understand that this is done as a courtesy by the author and does not affect this waiver. I understand that if I do not waive my right to view letters, my recommenders will be notified and may choose to withdraw their letters.

________ I grant permission for Temple University to use my public biographical information to publicize my nomination and/or receipt of this scholarship or fellowship.

________ I consent to have copies of my scholarship essays retained indefinitely and anonymously by Fellowships Advising at Temple University and understand that they may be made available to future applicants as an example for them to review as they prepare their own applications.

______________________________________________ ___________________________________
Signature       Date