

THE OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP

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INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RESEARCH (ISER)

announce the



POLICY RESEARCH INTERNSHIP AWARD

PURPOSE

The Policy Research Internship Award is presented to exemplary students in the social sciences and other applicable fields interested in the analysis of public policy issues. The successful applicant will be asked to contribute research and analysis skills to a forthcoming publication published by ISER. After all applications are reviewed by a faculty panel, the selected student will be officially recognized university-wide and will be honored with a \$1,500 award upon completion of an ISER-sponsored research project. The student may seek credit for this experience through an internship or independent study with approval of the supervising faculty member and department Dean or Director.

ABOUT ISER

ISER enhances the well-being of Alaskans and others, through non-partisan research that helps people understand social and economic systems and supports informed public and private decision-making. ISER pursues its mission by:

- Focusing attention on critical economic and social issues in Alaska, the Arctic, and similar regions;
- Engaging in basic and applied research leading to better understanding of those issues; and
- Disseminating knowledge through publications, community involvement, public service, and teaching.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be accepted in an associate or baccalaureate degree program at the University of Alaska Anchorage (any campus) and must be enrolled in at least 12 credits for the semester in which they apply and the semester that they will be interning.

APPLICATIONS

Applicants must complete all of the following:

- Application cover sheet
- Academic quality essay of 750-1,000 words describing your interest in a recent or ongoing ISER project (see list under "Research Areas" at www.iser.uaa.alaska.edu)
- Signed letter of support from a faculty mentor
- An unofficial copy of your most recent transcripts

SUBMISSION

Applications must be submitted to the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarship located in RH 115 by the posted deadline.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Designation of the Policy Research Internship Award is determined by an ISER/UAA panel composed members from ISER and the Undergraduate Research Task Force. The candidate's personal interest statement, transcript, and support from a faculty mentor are all factors taken into consideration in the selection of the current award winner.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

The research project/publication must be completed by a mutually agreed upon deadline set forth by ISER and the award winner. The student honored by this award will produce a poster for the Undergraduate Research & Discovery Poster Fair held in April, submit a one-page essay describing the impact of the undergraduate research process upon their academic experience, and attend the Undergraduate Research & Discovery Symposium Awards Ceremony.