## **SMU TOWER CENTER**

# RUBOTTOM FOREIGN SERVICE INTERNSHIP FUND 2024-2025

#### About:

The Rubottom Foreign Service Internship Fund was established by Ambassador R. Richard and Billy Ruth Rubottom to support **public policy or international affairs internships** for undergraduate students who have prepared for a **foreign service career**. The objective of this internship funding is to strongly encourage students **to consider careers in the U.S. Foreign Service and in international affairs**.

The internship funding is designated to highly qualified undergraduates majoring in **Political Science**, **History**, **International Studies**, **Economics or World Languages** at Southern Methodist University, and who intend to pursue an internship with a genuine focus on public **policy and/or international relations**. (It may NOT be used toward a corporate or industrial-based internship).

**Funding:** The recipient will be awarded a stipend in the **amount of \$5,000**.

## Requirements:

- 1. Application Form (click here)
- 2. Minimum of 3 years of foreign language study.
- 3. **Unofficial Transcript** with a minimum GPA of 3.3.
- 4. **Two letters of recommendation**. One letter must be from faculty or supervisor.
- 5. **Resume**
- 6. **500-700 word statement** of the applicant's objectives and motivations in seeking the internship funding.

Submission deadline: Friday, March 8, 2024

### **Deliverables:**

• The recipient of the internship funding will produce a final paper about what they did, what they learned, and how it will impact their career.

## **Selection process:**

The selection process for the internship funding awarded by the **SMU Tower Center** will be based on the completed delivery of the requirements and merit. Selection will be determined by an application review committee made up of SMU Tower Center Faculty Board members.

Inquiries should be addressed to: Ray Rafidi, SMU Tower Center Carr Collins Hall, Office 233 rrafidi@smu.edu | 214-768-3665