



How to Apply:

Please send or email application by April 1, 2010.

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Fellowship recipients will be notified of acceptance by April 30, 2010.

U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

House Fellows Program

One Week Program
June 28 – July 2, 2010
July 12 – July 16, 2010

July 26 – July 30, 2010

Hosted by: The Office of the Historian U. S. House of Representatives

House Fellows Program

Article I of the Constitution declares that "all legislative Powers" are vested in Congress, but how many citizens really understand what Congress does, and how many have seen the House of Representatives in action? The House Fellows Program provides an opportunity for an insider's perspective on representative government.

The intensive week-long Program on the history and customs of the House is for secondary education teachers of American history and government.

Each component of the House Fellows Program is designed to help educators improve their knowledge and understanding of "The People's House." The Program will take place during a week when the House is in session, voting on key bills.

During their week, Fellows will have the opportunity to meet their Representative and see the House in session.

They will also participate in insider briefings by the National Archives, the Smithsonian Institution, and the Library of Congress. Finally, the Program will allow the sharing of curricular ideas among Fellows in seminars led by master teachers.

Expenses

Fellows will receive all lodging and meal expenses during the week. The formal program begins Monday and concludes Friday evening. Hotel accommodations will be provided Sunday to Saturday. Participants are responsible for all personal travel expenses.

Congressional Curricula

One goal of the House Fellows Program is to develop curricular materials on the history and customs of the House for use in schools. During the week, Fellows will prepare a small lesson plan on a Congressional topic of their choosing, which will be shared with other Fellows. These plans will become part of a teaching resource database on Congress available to all Fellows and other teachers.

Graduate course credit may be available for the Fellows' work.

Participation

There are three sessions of the House Fellows
Program in 2010. The first session is June 28 - July 2,
the second session is July 12 - July 16 and the third
session is July 26 - July 30. Each Program session
is limited to 15 participants, one each from selected
Congressional districts. Fellows are chosen through a
competitive application process.

To Apply:

- Applicant must be employed by a public, private, or parochial school in the participating
 Member's district.
- Teach or supervise a secondary level American history or government class.
- Submit a resume and letter of intent stating your reasons for wanting to be a House Fellow, your name, school, and district.
- Provide a brief proposal for a lesson plan relevant to the history or process of Congress.
- Commit to presenting one in-service on the history of the House to secondary school teachers in the school year following your Fellows Program.



Speaker Pelosi and Republican Leader Boehner at the opening of the 110th Congress