# Yale University

# President’s Public Service Fellowship



# *Undergraduate*

# Information & Application

# Summer 2020

# Information for Undergraduate Applicants

# Yale President's Public Service Fellowship 2020

**Deadline:**

* **Applications are due via e-mail by 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 3, 2020. Do not include first three instruction pages of this application packet. E-mailed applications (including unofficial academic record) must be combined into one PDF file.**
* **No extensions.**

**Qualification:**

* Applicants must be Yale students not in their final year of study, and must be in good academic standing.

**Application Procedures and Instructions:**

* Select up to five top placement opportunities with New Haven nonprofit and public sector organizations from the list on the PPSF Fellowship website, ppsf.yale.edu (click on [2020 Placement Sites](https://ppsf.yale.edu/fellowship-placement-sites)). Below each agency’s name is a short description and a link to the agency’s full placement proposal. Read placement proposals thoroughly. You are encouraged to contact the designated contacts on agency applications with any questions about placement projects.
* Follow all application instructions, and e-mail completed application to PPSF@yale.edu on or before the deadline. The e-mailed application materials must be combined into one PDF file and need not be signed.
* Prior to April 10, 2020 some applicants will be contacted for an interview.
* Notification to interviewed students regarding the status of their application will conclude by April 30th.
* If offered a fellowship, applicants will be given **48 hours** to accept or decline the fellowship.

##### Requirements of the Fellowship

* The Fellowship is full-time and must be the primary work of Fellows during the summer. Fellows should plan accordingly. **NOTE:** Other summertime work at Yale University is not encouraged and Fellows must discuss any other proposed part-time work in advance of the summer with the PPSF Director.
* Fellowship placements will be for eight to eleven consecutive weeks between May 26 and August 7, 2020. The Fellowship Director will facilitate a meeting between Fellow and agency supervisor to determine the exact length of each individual Fellowship.
* All Fellows will be expected to participate in weekly dinner meetings during the course of the Fellowship.
* All Fellows will be expected to complete brief periodic reports during the time of the program, and to complete a final report by the end of the summer.

###### Orientation

* A mandatory orientation session will be held from the morning of Tuesday, May 19, 2020 through the evening of Friday, May 22nd.

**Compensation**

* The taxable pay for undergraduates for a 40-hour work week will be $650 per week. Fellows will be paid for orientation week hours.

**Housing:**

* Fellows are responsible for securing their own summer housing. One resource for sublets can be found here: [http://offcampusliving.yale.edu](http://offcampusliving.yale.edu/)
* Some Comments from Recent Fellows

“There was nothing I could have done this summer that would have allowed me to make New Haven my home the way this Fellowship did…. I would heartily recommend it to anyone.”

“PPSF provided me with an opportunity to work alongside members of the community in a more sustained way than would be possible during the school year. I leave this summer feeling more comfortable identifying as a resident of the city–not solely as a Yale College student. The fellowship has energized me to continue learning more about the city, New Haven politics, Yale-New Haven relationships, and local activism. Thank you so much for an incredible summer!”

“Rather than talk about what is wrong with the city, I had the opportunity to see exactly what is right with it and to engage with people who are working to fix challenges facing the city.”

“This summer, not only have I built some amazing relationships with children and adults from all over New Haven, but I also feel as though I’ve built a home for myself here. By venturing beyond Yale’s campus and exploring all that New Haven has to offer, I’ve come to realize what a special place our city is.”

“Each week I would see New Haven and community involvement through new eyes. The diversity in background and interest complemented the energy and passion possessed by most of the fellows. It was wonderful to be part of a group who possessed qualities of passion, hope, integrity, and honesty.”

“In addition to technical skills, this internship has exposed me to community organizing and some very impressive local community leaders who are on the front lines, fighting to preserve the integrity of their neighborhoods.”

“This summer as a President’s Public Service Fellow has been absolutely wonderful. Stressful, yes. Tiring, yes. Challenging, yes… I have really enjoyed myself, learned a lot, and figured out that I have a lot more that I want to learn.

“One of its great values has been to give me the practical skills that I’d never gotten in my courses.”

“Being a PPSF Fellow was an invaluable opportunity. Not only was I able to learn about the robust city that New Haven is, but I was also able to gain a better understanding of how to develop my educational leadership skills.”

“I recognize the need for further engagement, but acknowledge how much Yale and the community work together to better provide for the people who live in New Haven. I can’t wait to continue my work within New Haven and I have PPSF to thank for my eagerness.”

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### **Open to Yale University students not in their final year of study. Please type or print in non-cursive writing.**

**Use this page as the cover sheet for your application.**

**Delete preceding three pages of this application packet.**

First Name: Last Name: Phone:

Mailing Address

College and Year Email:

Major & Expected Date of Graduation

Yale undergraduates may apply for placements proposed by New Haven public sector and nonprofit agencies. The list of placements for 2020 is online at ppsf.yale.edu (click on [2020 Placement Sites](https://ppsf.yale.edu/fellowship-placement-sites)).

Which project(s)/placement(s) are you applying for? List up to five choices in order from first choice to last.

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Are there any placements you would not consider? Why?

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Please provide one letter of recommendation from a non-student, business/academic reference and indicate that person’s relationship to you below. (Must not be a family member.) Your reference should e-mail his/her letter directly to ppsf@yale.edu by the application deadline (applicant’s name should be referenced in the subject line).

Name of recommender: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Your completed application should include:**

* Application cover page (do not include the first three instruction pages of this application packet)
* A copy of your resume.
* A copy of your unofficial academic record (web-level is permitted).
* One letter of recommendation from a non-student, business/academic reference and indicate that person's relationship to you on your application cover page. (Must not be a family member.) Your reference should e-mail his/her letter directly to ppsf@yale.edu by the application deadline (applicant’s name should be referenced in the subject line).

* Respond to the following questions in the order below, using no more than three pages. *Include the numbered prompts before your answers.*
1. Have you participated in community service activities (volunteer or paid), in New Haven or elsewhere? Please describe why you chose those activities, what perspective you gained, and lessons you learned.
2. Describe any experience, education and/or training that may be relevant to each of the placement choices you’ve listed.
3. Other than English, list languages spoken and level of proficiency.

1. How did you hear about the Yale President’s Public Service Fellowship?
2. Why are you interested in working and living in New Haven as a Yale President’s Public Service Fellow this summer and what are your expectations for this Fellowship?
3. What do you think the biggest opportunities are for New Haven? The biggest challenges? Why?

**E-mail one PDF file of your application (including unofficial transcript) to** **ppsf@yale.edu** **by the Friday, April 3, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. deadline.**