

## **CLLARO CAPITOL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

2022-2023

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When does the program take place?

All Fellows are required to attend orientation and a meet & greet in the Fall of 2022 prior to the official kick off date of the program in January 2023. The program officially begins the first day of the legislative session in January and adjourns at the end of May each year.

Can only Latinos apply to be a CLLARO Fellow?

All college sophomores, juniors, seniors recent graduates, grad students and non-traditional students that can demonstrate interest in advancing social justice, policy change and advocacy for Latinos and marginalized communities can apply. Our CLLARO CFP alumni are diverse leaders.

Is this a paid internship?

Yes, the CLLARO CFP is paid. All Fellows receive a \$700 monthly stipend from January to May.

Who are the policy makers that participate in the program?

Legislators, lobbyists, policy makers in state agencies, and the governor's office participate in the CFP as mentors.

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What is the application process like?

Applicants complete an online form at bit.ly/cllarocfp2023, and submit PDF versions of a resume, letter of recommendation, transcripts and a research writing sample.

How is a candidate selected?

Candidates are offered CLLARO
Fellowships based on the quality of their
completed application, demonstrated
interest in social justice, policy and
leadership, and their interview score.

Can I be a full-time student while participating in the CFP?

You can. Many Fellows attend school full-time while participating in the CFP, and holding a part time job. However, we highly recommend to decrease your credit hours during the CFP, if possible, to ensure you can fully commit to the required 20 hours of work per week and so you can have the best experience. The work load for CLLARO Fellows is overwhelming as the nature of the work during the legislative session is demanding and fast paced.

Do I select what policy maker's office I intern with?

No. We host a meet & greet with Fellows and mentors so everyone can select their top five choices. We do our best to match everyone with someone from their list. Participants select each other based on policy interests, office culture, skills, and experience needed in the office. However, pairing someone with their top five is not always possible; hence, we use our best judgement to place you in an office we believe will be a good fit.



Can I obtain academic credit for the CFP?

It depends on your university or college. Each have different requirements, but most Fellows that seek to obtain academic credit do obtain it. If you do want academic credit, check with your university or college first.

Who do I contact if I have more questions?

You can contact program manager, Alejandra Colmenero, at alejandra.colmenero@cllaro.org or by phone at 303-722-5150 ext. 113





