The American Mathematical Society (AMS), in conjunction with the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), will sponsor a Congressional Fellow from September 2020 through August 2021. The Fellow will spend the year working on the staff of a member of Congress or a congressional committee, working as a special legislative assistant in legislative and policy areas requiring scientific and technical input. The program includes an orientation on congressional and executive branch operations and a year-long seminar series on issues involving science, technology, and public policy.

The Fellowship is designed to provide a unique public policy learning experience, to demonstrate the value of science-government interaction, and to bring a technical background and external perspective to the decision-making process in Congress.

Prospective Fellows must demonstrate expertise in some area of the mathematical sciences; have a good scientific and technical background; be cognizant of and demonstrate sensitivity toward political and social issues; and, most importantly, have a strong interest and some experience in applying personal knowledge toward the solution of societal problems.

Applications are invited from individuals in the mathematical sciences. Applicants must have a PhD or an equivalent doctoral-level degree in mathematics by the application deadline (February 15, 2020). Applicants must be US citizens. Federal employees are not eligible.

An AMS Fellowship Committee will select the AMS Congressional Fellow. The Fellowship stipend is US$81,548 for the Fellowship period, with allowances for relocation and professional travel and a contribution towards health insurance.

Applications must submit a statement expressing interest and qualifications for the AMS Congressional Fellowship, as well as a current curriculum vitae. Candidates should also arrange for three letters of recommendation to be sent to the AMS by the February 15, 2020, deadline.


Deadline for receipt of applications: February 15, 2020