



**The Johns Hopkins University
Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies**

**Priscilla Mason Fellowship
Academic Year 2017-2018**

Priscilla Mason, a longtime friend and one of the founders of SAIS, established the Priscilla Mason Fund for Public Service. The Fund provides 50% tuition support to a SAIS student in need of financial aid who shows outstanding academic promise and who declares a firm intention upon graduation to pursue a career in United States government service with the hope that such employment will be in an international affairs field or include the Foreign Service. United States government service is defined as employment with the federal government or any of its agencies. The establishment of the Mason Fund fulfills the original mission of SAIS-to train its students to assume a leadership role in world affairs, especially in the Foreign Service.

Qualifications:

An applicant must be in need of financial aid, a U.S. citizen, and a first year SAIS MA student willing to accept the terms and conditions of the Priscilla Mason Fund. The Mason Fund Fellowship, 50% tuition, will replace any financial aid currently being received from SAIS as well as any loans currently being used for tuition.

Award:

The Mason Fund provides the selected fellow with 50% tuition assistance at SAIS. No repayment need be made as a result of the receipt of the scholarship **provided that the Fellow holds a full-time position in United States government service for the first five years after graduation.** Each Fellow is granted 12 months after graduation (with the potential addition of time subject to clearance process) to secure and enter United States government service.

Any year in which the Fellow fails to comply with the postgraduate employment condition, will result in a repayment obligation, which will be equal to a pro-rata of the tuition scholarship received.

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Repayment Obligation</u>
0-1	90% of the scholarship award
1-2	74% of the scholarship award
2-3	55% of the scholarship award
3-4	30% of the scholarship award
4-5	20% of the scholarship award
Over 5	0% of the scholarship award

The repayment obligation will be amortized to provide equal annual installments and are payable over ten years. A legally binding contractual agreement will be signed by the recipient of the scholarship stating the above.

Application Procedures:

Applications are now being accepted for the Mason Fellowship. **To be considered for this scholarship, please submit your curriculum vitae with the following information: financial aid being received for the year, and the source; the amount and kinds of loans outstanding from undergraduate and graduate education, including loans for this year; and an essay of no more than 300 words explaining why you want to be a Priscilla Mason Fellow.**

Application Deadline:

Applications must be submitted by **February 28, 2017** to: the Office of Admissions, 1740 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036. Questions may be directed to the Admissions office at 202-663-5700 or sais.dc.admissions@jhu.edu.