

ASA/NSF/BEA Fellowship Program



The ASA/NSF/BEA Fellowship Program is designed to improve the collaboration between government and academic research. The program allows research fellows to come to the Bureau of Economic Analysis, one of the world's leading statistical agencies, to use BEA data and interact with agency staff.

BEA produces closely watched economic statistics that influence decisions affecting monetary policy, tax and budget projections, and business investment plans. As a leader in the development of new and innovative approaches to economic measurement, BEA is interested in supporting research that can further its mission which is, broadly speaking, to provide timely, reliable and comprehensive estimates of measured economic activity.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants for fellowships should have academically recognized research records and considerable expertise in their areas of proposed research. They must submit detailed research proposals for competitive evaluation by a program review board representing BEA, ASA, and academia. The proposed research may be in any area related to the measurement of economic activity, and may take the form of conceptual or methodological studies related to the BEA accounts.

Condition of Appointment and Benefits

Research fellows will conduct their research at the Bureau of Economic Analysis. The researchers are reimbursed by the ASA and are on a guest-worker arrangement with BEA. The stipends received by researchers in this program are commensurate with their qualifications and experience. Fringe benefits and travel allowances are negotiable. The retention of fringe benefits with the permanent employer usually can be negotiated as well.

Fellowship appointment terms are flexible; the usual term is six months, but can range from four to 12 months. Appointment extensions, split-term appointments, and part-time appointments are also possible.

Application Procedure

Submit the following information in one PDF file by **December 15, 2011**:

1. A curriculum vitae
2. The names and addresses of three references
3. A detailed research proposal that includes:
 - background information about research topic
 - significance of expected results
 - relevance of the research to BEA's mission
 - detailed budget estimate (salary, relocation and travel expenses, research support)

U.S. government employees are not eligible to apply; U.S. citizenship is not required, but applicants must be affiliated with a U.S. institution

Submit Application Materials in one PDF file via email to:

ASA/NSF/BEA Research Program American Statistical Association
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The application deadline is **December 15, 2011**. Final decisions will be made by late January.

For more information on current research at BEA, go to our website at: www.BEA.GOV