

Our Fellowship Class of 2021



Welcome

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

We are very proud to present the Foundation's 2021 Fellows – 28 Fellows from 18 law schools. All dedicated, directed and determined to make our country a better place through their work on critical issues of our time – racial justice, voting rights, criminal justice, the environment, immigration, antitrust, the rights of disabled Americans, and recovery in Puerto Rico from Hurricane Maria and other disasters, to name a few.

To the Class of 2021, congratulations on being a Squire Patton Boggs Foundation 2021 Fellow. You are outstanding, individually and as a class. Your impressive accomplishments at this early stage of your careers give us all great confidence in this coming generation of lawyers. On behalf of the Foundation, the organizations and government offices you work for and the people they and you benefit, thank you for your service! We invite you to join your 270 predecessors as Fellowship alums, and to stay connected to the Foundation and with your classmates as your careers develop.

To all, this is a special year for the Foundation and the Fellowship Program. We have inaugurated our Racial Justice Sustained Impact Fellowship Program. Prompted by last summer's tragic events, it focuses on police/Black community relations, reforming the juvenile justice system as it applies to the minority communities of Dallas, and voting rights, especially the adverse effects of gerrymandering on minority voters. Our Racial Justice Fellowship partners are the Charlottesville Police Department, Lone Star Justice Alliance, and the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law.

This also is the 16th year of our Public Policy Fellowship Program, and the third year of the Law-Journalism Fellowship Program in conjunction with the Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting and Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

Three years ago, when we established the Disaster Relief Sustained Impact Program in Puerto Rico, we aspired to make a "sustained impact". We are doing so, and share with you a note from Earl Valiente of Centro para in San Juan, saying that this year's Fellow "has been key to the revision of guidelines, rules and regulations related to a federal grant implementation. Moreover, part of her action plan is to offer workshops to the community related to Cybersecurity and Entrepreneurial Innovation. Her service during this fellowship will be of great benefit to our communities for years to come."

As the Foundation grows during this, our 21st year, and continues to develop new initiatives, we express our appreciation to our law school friends on the Deans' Circle, to our partner organizations in the Sustained Impact programs, and to all of you for your generous support, both financial and in-kind. We are especially grateful to the firm, and to the many people who give their valuable time as mentors to the Fellows, as board colleagues, and as advisory committee members. To our financial donors, a special "thank you."

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 <p>Daniela Torres Sustained Impact Puerto Rico Fellow University of Miami School of Law</p>	<p>Centro Para Puerto Rico; San Juan, PR</p>
<p>Daniela Torres, a Hurricane Maria Disaster Relief Sustained Impact Fellow, is working for Centro para Puerto Rico in San Juan. A rising 3L at the University of Miami School of Law, Daniela says that her passion for public interest work is “rooted in her experience as a Venezuelan immigrant” and “her dedication to giving back to the communities that she is a part of.” She graduated <i>summa cum laude</i> from the University of South Florida, and was also a National Hispanic Scholar and Presidential Scholarship Recipient. Her public service includes work with Migrants Foundation, Inc., the Venezuela Awareness Project, and as an “Anytown” mentor with Community Tampa Bay.</p>	
 <p>Daniella M. Roselló Sustained Impact Puerto Rico Fellow University of Virginia School of Law</p>	<p>Ayuda Legal Huracan Maria; San Juan, PR</p>
<p>Daniella Roselló is working this summer for Ayuda Legal Puerto Rico in San Juan as a Sustained Impact Fellow. “As a Puerto Rican woman, it would be an honor to start my legal career by giving back to and helping rebuild my community.” Daniella is a rising 2L at the University of Virginia School of Law, and graduated from the University of Florida. She is president of the law school’s Latin American Law Organization, and has been active in two law school <i>pro bono</i> projects – one on refugee assistance and another serving immigrant communities. Daniella is viewed as “a natural leader who is committed to serving marginalized communities.”</p>	
 <p>Nancy Amin Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow The University of Texas School of Law</p>	<p>Charlottesville Police Department; Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>Nancy Amin, who is working with the Charlottesville Police Department, is a rising 3L at The University of Texas School of Law in Austin, Texas, where she is Vice President of the Muslim Law Students Association, Pro Bono Chair of the Thurgood Marshall Legal Society and a member of the Women’s Law Caucus. She is the newly elected Editor in Chief of the <i>Texas International Law Journal</i> and serves as Staff Editor of the <i>American Journal of Criminal Law</i>. With a strong interest in the criminal justice system, Nancy attended John Jay College of Criminal Justice for undergrad. She had a fellowship at the Vera Institute of Justice during her senior year, exploring how colorism plays a role in policing in New York, New Jersey and California.</p>	




Fellow		Internship
 Skyler Arbuckle Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law	<p>Skyler Arbuckle is working with the Lone Star Justice Alliance on juvenile justice issues as they pertain to minority communities in Dallas. She is a rising 3L at Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, where she is the President of the Black Law Students' Association (BLSA), a member of the Dean's Diversity Council, and serves as the law school's representative for SMU's Black Unity Forum. Skyler was the recipient of the Professor Bill Bridge Award for Outstanding 1L (2019 – 2020) and received the 2020 J.L. Turner Legal Association Foundation Scholarship. She graduated from Howard University, <i>cum laude</i>, and was inducted into the Epsilon Tau Sigma Honor Society and the Golden Key National Honor Society. With an interest in public interest work on behalf of marginalized people whose voices and causes are stifled due to systemic oppression, Skyler has interned and externed with two federal judges with a long-term career goal of becoming a federal judge and serving as a bridge to justice for her community.</p>	Lone Star Justice Alliance; Dallas, TX
 Charkera Ervin Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow Howard University School of Law	<p>Charkera Ervin is working on the Voting Rights Project at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights in Washington, DC. Charkera is a rising 2L at Howard University School of Law, where she participates in the 1L Student Class Council and the Howard Public Interest Law Society (HPILS). Charkera has a strong history in activism and is invested in helping communities of color and other vulnerable populations with a specific interest in movement lawyering and civil rights work focused on housing and education equality. She graduated from Bluefield State College, in Bluefield, West Virginia, where she was on the Dean's List and President of the Black Student Union, Treasurer and Multicultural Secretary of the Student Government Association, and a member of Model UN.</p>	Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Voting Rights Project; Washington, DC
 Zhiwei Hua Pulitzer Center Fellow Case Western Reserve University School of Law	<p>Zhiwei Hua is from China and is the Foundation's 2021 Pulitzer Center Fellow. He is combining law and journalism at the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting in Washington, DC. Zhiwei will provide research support for Pulitzer Center reporting and educational outreach initiatives on criminal justice, racial justice and migration. Zhiwei is a rising third-year law student at Case Western Reserve University School of Law. Zhiwei matriculated from Southwest University of Political Science and Law (SWUPL) in China, receiving, in 2017, a Bachelor of Law and Bachelor of Arts, with a major in journalism. He worked for the People's Protectorate of Fuzhou, China, in the summers of 2014 and 2015.</p>	The Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting, Washington, DC




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 <p>Nicole Ledesma American University Washington College of Law</p>	<p>Office of Inspector General, USAID; Washington, DC</p>
<p>Nicole Ledesma is working in the Office for Inspector General for the US Agency for International Development (USAID) for her Fellowship. Nicole is extremely excited to start this internship because “ ... it combines my passions for law and public policy.” Nicole has seven years of professional experience working in public interest positions as a Foreign Affairs Advisor and Investigator, assisting in international investigations covering arms trafficking, labor and human rights, and as an associate at Inter-American Dialogue, providing financial management to development projects in Guatemala and Nicaragua. Nicole graduated from American University’s School of International Service in 2015, and will receive her J.D. in May 2023 from American University Washington College of Law.</p>	
 <p>Oluwatomisin “Tosin” Orisadipe Case Western Reserve University School of Law</p>	<p>Cuyahoga County Prosecutor; Cleveland, OH</p>
<p>Oluwatomisin Orisadipe goes by the nickname “Tosin.” Tosin is a rising second-year student at Case Western Reserve University School of Law. Tosin grew up in Nigeria, where as a child and adult, he watched as the legal system around him degenerated and the social fabrics of his society were torn to shreds. He observed “this lack of accountability, as well as corruption in the police and judicial systems, lead to a breakdown of law and order in society ... that led to lynchings and vigilante justice.” Tosin is eager for his chance to “give back to the community ... and help the most vulnerable people in society have access to justice and fair representation.” That is why he is pursuing his interest in criminal justice reform at the Cuyahoga County’s Prosecutor’s Office in Cleveland. Tosin intends to apply what he learns in his Fellowship program for the betterment of criminal justice systems in Nigeria and the US. He got his B.A. in Religious Studies at Obafemi Awolowo University in Nigeria, and his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Idaho.</p>	
 <p>Matthew V. Perry Case Western Reserve University School of Law</p>	<p>Access Living of Metro Chicago; Chicago, IL</p>
<p>Matthew Perry spent his career before law school working on disability and mental health advocacy in Chicago. He graduated from DePaul University, and holds a Master’s in Public Policy and Administration from Adler University. He came to law school “with the express intent of bolstering my credential to continue working in this field.” Matthew’s Fellowship takes him to Access Living’s Civil Rights Team in Chicago, where he is working to expand state services for mobile mental and behavioral healthcare in Access Living’s efforts to obtain zoning approvals for addiction treatment facilities. “The insights I gain from this work will put me into a tremendous position to advance public policy in the name of disability and mental health reform.” Matthew will earn his J.D. degree in May 2022 from Case Western Reserve University School of Law.</p>	


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 <p>David “Taylor” Bernhardt, Jr. Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law</p>	<p>Attorney General of Maryland, Antitrust Division; Baltimore, MD</p>
<p>David “Taylor” Bernhardt is interning at the Maryland Office of the Attorney General, in the Antitrust Division. Taylor’s long-term interest in pursuing antitrust and consumer protection law stems from his experience in working with economically disadvantaged groups. In his <i>pro bono</i> work with the Christian Legal Aid of DC, Taylor is providing legal assistance to low-income clients. After having attended the US Naval Academy and graduating from the University of Maryland, Taylor is now pursuing his J.D. at Catholic University Columbus School of Law.</p>	
 <p>Mary Maloney Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law</p>	<p>Ayuda; Fairfax, VA</p>
<p>Mary Maloney is furthering her long-standing passion for working with immigrants by interning with Ayuda, an international organization whose work in Washington, DC provides legal, social and language services to low-income immigrants. After graduating from Gettysburg College, Mary obtained her Master of Arts in Latin American Studies from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, and went on to work with non-profits in Columbia, Uruguay and Chile that are dedicated to serving marginalized groups. Mary is pursuing her J.D. at Catholic University Columbus School of Law to realize her goal of serving as immigration counsel to refugees, asylum seekers, survivors of violence and minors.</p>	
 <p>Radiance Campbell Georgetown University Law Center</p>	<p>Washington Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs, Housing Justice Project; Washington, DC</p>
<p>Radiance Campbell is interning at the Washington Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs Housing Justice Project to further their career in social justice. Radiance graduated from Illinois State University, and has worked in their hometown of Bloomington, IL as a community organizer to offset the impacts of climate change and public health crises in the poorest areas. In their <i>pro bono</i> work for the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless, Radiance worked to ensure the availability of safe and affordable housing for all. As a Blume Public Interest Scholar, Radiance is pursuing their J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center to help realize their goal of ensuring access to justice and vital services for low-income communities.</p>	
 <p>Griffin Ingraham Georgia State University College of Law</p>	<p>USDA Office of the General Counsel; Atlanta, GA</p>
<p>Griffin Ingraham is our second Fellow from Georgia State University College of Law. He is interning in the Office of General Counsel at the USDA office in Atlanta. Griffin’s long-term career goal is to seek solutions that address climate change, food security and environmental inequity. All divisions of the Office of General Counsel embody public policy work in these areas to reduce hunger and promote sustainable agriculture in rural America. Griffin graduated from the University of Georgia with a Certificate in Sustainability. After law school, he intends to advocate for sustainable development and resource conservation through environmental law.</p>	

Fellow		Internship
 Sunita Premysler Howard University School of Law		Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Criminal Justice Project; Washington, DC
		<p>Sunita Premysler is an intern at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, working on their Criminal Justice Project. Before attending the Howard University School of Law, where she is a rising 3L, Sunita earned her B.A. in Political Science at Barnard College. Sunita has worked in a number of public service positions, including several positions at AmeriCorps and the Tahirih Justice Center, the African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (during a semester abroad in South Africa), and the World Learning International Visitor Leadership Program. This spring, Sunita participated in Howard's Movement Lawyering Clinic, working on discovery requests in a police reform matter, as well as appellate briefs in a high-profile parole case.</p>
 Graydon G. Sutton Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law		Federal Trade Commission; Dallas, TX
		<p>Gray Sutton is interning at the Southwest Region of the Federal Trade Commission. Having graduated as an economics major at the University of Chicago, Gray hopes to put economic principles into practice by remedying unfair trade practices that distort free, informed choices by consumers. His duties this summer include interviewing consumers and preparing statements and testimony to be submitted in court proceedings, and researching drafting pleadings, discovery requests and other court documents. Gray also plans to gain exposure to market research, investigations and rulemaking proceedings while at the FTC. A rising 2L at the SMU Dedham School of Law, Gray serves on the Executive Board of the International Law Society.</p>
 Sandy Chen The George Washington University Law School		Export-Import Bank of the United States; Washington, DC
		<p>Sandy Chen is interning at the EXIM Bank of the United States, where she is working in the Office of General Counsel on litigation and trade policy issues in support of the Bank's trade programs. Sandy has particular interest in EXIM Bank's Program on China and Transformation Exports, with the goal of increasing the competitiveness of US exports while advancing mutually beneficial trade relationships with China. A native of China who grew up in New York, Sandy's goal is to become a well-rounded international trade lawyer. In addition to her studies as a rising 3L at the George Washington University Law School, Sandy served as a legal intern this spring at the World Bank, working on program fraud issues. Sandy graduated from Queens College with B.A. degrees in Political Science and Philosophy.</p>

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 Flannery Mack The Ohio State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law		Ohio Justice and Policy Center; Cincinnati, OH
		<p>Flannery Mack is spending her summer with the Ohio Justice and Policy Center, which advocates on various aspects of criminal justice reform, including reducing the prison population, reducing the impact of collateral consequences of incarceration, bail reform and ending the death penalty. Her work includes both direct services to clients and support for advocacy programs. A recipient of the Wingard Public Service Scholarship at the Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Flannery previously spent four years in public service, teaching for a year in Latvia; serving as a program coordinator for Circles Salt Lake, which advocates public policy programs targeted to assist those who live in poverty; and working at YWCA Columbus. Flannery has an interest in becoming a criminal defense lawyer and served as the 1L Representative of the Public Interest Law Foundation and Defenders Society last year. Flannery earned her B.A. in English at Portland State University.</p>
 Nathan Quimbo University of Arkansas School of Law		Buffalo River Foundation; Ponca, AR
		<p>Nathan Quimbo is spending his summer with the Buffalo River Foundation, an Arkansas land trust that conserves lands through conservation easements and private donations. A rising 3L at the University of Arkansas School of Law, Nathan is a dedicated environmentalist who majored in biology as an undergraduate at Arkansas and served as a laboratory assistant with the Arkansas Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Unit. After considering a career in scientific research, Nathan decided that a legal career would allow him to advocate for scientifically sound solutions to preserve the natural beauty of Arkansas and resist political headwinds. Noting that environmental non-profit groups do not have a substantial presence in Arkansas, Nathan hopes to master the topic of conservation easements, learn the nuances of environmental law in Arkansas, and become an effective advocate for conservation easements in the state.</p>
 Rosa Tovar University of California Hastings College of the Law		Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area, Immigrant Justice Program; San Francisco, CA
		<p>Rosa Tovar, a rising 2L at UC Hastings College of the Law, is interning at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area, supporting the Committee's Immigrant Justice Program. Rosa's summer is a continuation of her work providing essential services for immigrants located in the US. Since September 2015, Rosa has volunteered with the Catholic Charities of Los Angeles Immigration & Refugee Resettlement Program, aiding lawful permanent residents to review their US citizenship applications and to educate them about the US citizenship process. Rosa graduated from UCLA in 2011 with a Bachelor of Arts in Music and is a music history enthusiast.</p>

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 Catherine M. Douglas University of Cincinnati College of Law		Hamilton Co. Public Defender – Juvenile Division; Cincinnati, OH
		<p>Catherine Douglas, a rising 2L at the University of Cincinnati College of Law, is spending her summer at the Juvenile Division of the Hamilton County's Public Defender's Office to advocate for fairness and equality in the criminal justice system. This internship follows Catherine's fellowship at the Ohio Innocence Project last summer. Catherine's legal career follows a Masters of Fine Arts in Writing at Sarah Lawrence College. With a career goal to work toward policy reforms in the criminal justice system, Catherine's Fellowship will be an integral part in achieving this laudable goal.</p>
 Kevin Bernstein University of Colorado Law School		US Department of the Interior, Office of the Regional Solicitor; Portland, OR
		<p>Kevin Bernstein, a rising 2L at the University of Colorado Law School, is working at the US Office of the Regional Solicitor at the US Department of the Interior in Portland, Oregon. This Fellowship is the culmination of Kevin's impressive previous focus in the field of environmental science. Kevin graduated with an M.S. in geography from Penn State University and a B.A. double major in politics and environmental science from Willamette University. Prior to law school, Kevin worked as an arborist in South Plainsfield, New Jersey, and a forester at the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation.</p>
 Nicoli Bowley University of Denver Sturm College of Law		National Park Service, Geological Resources Division; Lakewood, CO
		<p>Nicoli Bowley is working for the National Park Service, Geological Resources Division this summer in Lakewood, CO. Growing up in Colorado allowed her to foster a love of nature and the environment, and she is thrilled to be able to apply this passion, as well as her studies in natural resource law and environmental law, in a practical context this summer. She is eager to learn more about the interaction of federal law and stewardship of the country's national parks. She is a rising 3L at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, and earned her B.A. from the University of Colorado.</p>
 Christa Lyons University of Denver Sturm College of Law		Social Movement Support Lab at IRISE; Denver, CO
		<p>Christa Lyons is spending her summer at the Social Movement Support Lab at IRISE in Denver, CO, which works with school districts and other community partners to dismantle systemic racism and advance social justice. She has been a social worker in the Denver Public Schools, and looks forward to assisting a school district this summer in developing a plan to reinvest funding following its elimination of the police force from its schools. She hopes to continue her dedicated work on social justice issues throughout her career. She will receive her J.D. from the University of Denver Sturm College of Law this December, and earned a Bachelor of Arts from Colorado State University. She also holds an M.S.W. from University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work, and an M.A. from University of Denver Josef Korbel School of International Studies.</p>

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 <p>Laura B. Silva University of Miami School of Law</p>	<p>Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Criminal Justice Project; Washington, DC</p>
<p>Laura Silva is working on the Criminal Justice Project at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law in Washington, DC. This Fellowship is in line with her extensive <i>pro bono</i> experience as a Legal Intern for the Center for Constitutional Rights in New York, her law school's Death Penalty Practicum, the Florida Justice Institute, and the Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition in Washington, DC. Laura believes her Fellowship "will grant me the opportunity to challenge institutions of power that enable a system of mass incarceration, general poverty, and disenfranchisement." A graduate of Florida International University, Laura will earn her J.D. from the University of Miami School of Law in May 2022.</p>	
 <p>Chasmine Williams University of Texas School of Law</p>	<p>US Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Voting Section; Washington, DC</p>
<p>Chasmine Williams is spending her summer in Washington, DC at the US Department of Justice in the Voting Section of the Civil Rights Division. From a young age, she knew that she wanted to work in public policy and civil rights, and has extensive experience studying and advocating for voting laws and rights nationwide, including working on a gubernatorial campaign. Last summer, Chasmine did election law research for the ACLU. She is excited to continue to develop her knowledge and experience in these fields. Chasmine graduated <i>Phi Beta Kappa</i> from Spelman College, and is a rising 3L at the University of Texas School of Law.</p>	
 <p>Julia J. Eger University of Virginia School of Law</p>	<p>American Bar Association Center on Children and the Law; Washington, DC</p>
<p>Julia Eger is advancing her special interest in child welfare reform this summer, working with the American Bar Association Center on Children and the Law. Part of her work is with the center's Kinship Program, researching and writing for the program's website to ensure kinship caregivers have the legal resources they need to protect their rights and those of the children in their care. Another part focuses on immigrant families and the child welfare system. Julia will obtain her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in May 2023. She graduated as a University Honors College Scholar at the University of Pittsburgh with a B.A. in economics and political science in 2019, receiving a prize as the most promising economics major.</p>	

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 <p>Sydney Stanley University of Virginia School of Law</p>	<p>Legal Aid Justice Center; Richmond, VA</p>
<p>Sydney Stanley is interning in the Civil Rights and Racial Justice Program within the Legal Aid Justice Center in Richmond, Virginia, where she helps identify and address Virginia laws and policies that acutely harm people of color and low-income individuals. Sydney brings to this internship her prior experience in criminal justice reform gained in work with the Virginia Innocence Project, the FBI, UNICEF and the International Justice Mission. Sydney graduated from the University of Virginia and is working towards her J.D. at the University of Virginia School of Law, after which she intends to pursue a public service career in combatting racial and economic inequality in our justice system.</p>	
 <p>Alexander Weiss Yale Law School</p>	<p>Administrative Conference of the United States; Washington, DC</p>
<p>Alexander Weiss will begin his third year at the Yale Law School in September, where he is Executive Symposium Editor for the <i>Yale Journal of Regulation</i>. Alex has chosen to do his Fellowship at the Administrative Conference of the United States because he wants to contribute to the reform of federal administrative agencies. His research project focuses on informal adjudicative procedures and due process compliance. Alex has a strong background in economics, having graduated <i>summa cum laude</i> from Columbia University with the Dean's Prize in Economics, followed by a year at the University of California-San Diego as a research assistant. During the summer of 2020, Alexander conducted legal and policy research in the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General.</p>	

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2000	Foundation established in honor of Jim Patton at the time of his retirement.
2004	Foundation establishes the Public Policy Fellowship program.
2005	Foundation awards first Public Policy Fellowships to students at the Georgetown University Law Center, The George Washington University Law School, the University of Virginia School of Law and the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law. Foundation establishes the Foundation's Advisory Committee.
2010	First "Issues of Our Time" lecture event. Speakers have included James Wolfensohn, former president of The World Bank; Ambassador Frank Wisner, international affairs advisor at Squire Patton Boggs LLP; EU Ambassador to the US David O'Sullivan; and historian/author Lynne Olson.
2012	The 100th law student participates in the Public Policy Fellowship program.
2013	Public Policy Fellowship grows to 15 law schools. International Fellowship program begins with Qatar law student awarded fellowship.
2015	Foundation adds Fellowships at the law schools at Case Western Reserve and the University of California at Hastings.
2016	Distinguished Fellows Award created. Qatar Ambassador and Fellows from Qatar honored in Washington. US Ambassador honors 2016 Qatar Fellow in Doha. Foundation hosts symposium on combating poverty.
2017	Expansion of Fellowship program to law schools at the University of Miami and The Ohio State University. 200th law student participates in Fellowship program. "Foundation Moments" established.
2018	Formation of the Deans' Circle. Expansion of Fellowship program to Europe at Collège d'Europe. University of Arkansas School of Law welcomed to the Fellowship program.
2019	In conjunction with Deans' Circle, creation of the Sustained Impact Program, with three Fellows working on post-Hurricane Maria issues in Puerto Rico. Addition of Law-Journalism Fellowship with the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting.
2020	Addition of Georgia State University College of Law and University of Cincinnati College of Law to the Fellowship Program and Deans' Circle. Record class of 27 Fellows, who successfully completed remote internships during the pandemic. "Issues of Our Time" discussion by Fellows on Racial Justice. Establishment of Racial Justice Sustained Impact Fellowship Program for 2021.
2021	Foundation partners with Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Charlottesville Police Department and Lone Star Justice Alliance to begin Racial Justice Sustained Impact Fellowship Program. Fellowship Program approaches 300 fellows.



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