

About the fellowship

This travel fellowship will enable a UMBC graduate student to conduct field research in spring or summer 2024, for a capstone project following a linked spring 2024 semester of related independent study.

The study experience will be tailored to the research interests of the student selected, and academic credit will be awarded. Research that draws on qualitative, quantitative, or mixed methods approaches will be considered.

One \$3000 fellowship will be awarded. The fellowship recipient will be selected by the School of Public Policy Director and at least two faculty with research interests in policy and services for older adults and people with disabilities.

Student selection criteria

- Relevance of their interests to independent study opportunities in policy, research or practice pertaining to services for the elderly and people with disabilities in Italy;
- Recommendation of a UMBC faculty mentor who knows the student, their interests and skills well;
- Letter of support from a faculty member who will serve as a mentor for the independent study; this can be from the same mentor as above, but need not be;
- The potential that this experience will ultimately enhance the students' potential for leadership and innovation in services for elderly and adults with disabilities during their future career.

Application materials

- a 750 word description of the proposed independent study,
- a letter of recommendation, and
- a letter of support as described above

Please submit to Ms. Myriam Ralston at myriam@umbc.edu by October 27, 2023.

Questions? Contact Dr. Nancy Miller at nanmille@umbc.edu.

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