

FOUNDERS' FELLOWS



The Founders' Fellowship is ASPA's premier program that recognizes the exceptional accomplishments of the next generation of public servants in the academic and practitioner communities.

Fellows receive a year-long series of developmental opportunities designed especially for their professional growth. Their participation begins at the 2019 ASPA Annual Conference, where they present their research, participate in customized programming and meet individually with their mentors who are matched with them based on academic and professional interests. Fellows participate in tailored webinars and continue their personal senior-mentor match for the year following the Conference.

ASPA proudly hosts the program as it is a significant investment in our future leaders. The program's success is made possible only through the generosity of contributors whose support underwrites the costs of Fellow lodging, conference registration and special ticketed events. Please consider contributing to the success of this program at one of the levels below.



2019 FOUNDERS' FELLOWS SPONSORSHIPS PROGRAM

FULL CONTRIBUTOR (\$5,000)

- One complimentary full conference registration
- One complimentary Student conference registration
- One 1/4 page ad in the Annual Conference program book
- If applicable, your name and logo printed on sponsored items
- Prominently displayed signage including name and logo
- Listing on Conference website
- Conference tote bag insert
- Printed recognition in Founders' Fellows materials
- Visual acknowledgement on conference plenary slides

ACADEMIC CONTRIBUTOR (\$2,500)

- One complimentary full conference registration or two complimentary student registrations
- A listing in the Annual Conference program book
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- Prominently displayed signage including name and logo
- Listing on Conference website
- Conference tote bag insert
- Printed recognition in Founders' Fellows materials

“One of the unique aspects of the program is the mentorship pairing. My mentor was able to provide me with insights regarding the academic job market, as well as public service more generally. He also served as a bridge to connect me to other people who he felt shared mutual interest and could serve as good role models.”

- Andrea Headley
Florida International University

“The most meaningful part of this experience has been the relationships I have gained within my cohort. The program does a great job of bringing people together who are still trying to figure things out and giving them a community in which to find support and guidance.”

- Javon Davis
City of Kansas City

MERIT CONTRIBUTOR (\$1,000)

- One complimentary student registration
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BOOK CONTRIBUTOR (\$500)

- A listing in the Annual Conference program book
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“The most powerful learning experience the program provided was self confidence. I was hesitant about presenting my research but everyone is very supportive and they help make you feel confident and relaxed. As a result, I have been able to step further out of my comfort zone and experience growth.”

- Zehavit Levitats
University of Haifa

“Through this program, I have met amazing people from across the world and I am still in touch with some.”

- Sombo Chunda
Virginia Commonwealth University