Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans

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Award Type: Graduate Study-U.S. & Humanities & Sciences & Social Sciences

Who Can Apply:

- A New American is an individual who:
  - is a resident alien, i.e., holds a Green Card; or,
  - has been naturalized as a US citizen, or
  - is the child of two parents who are both naturalized citizens
- The applicant must either have a bachelor's degree or be in her/his final year of undergraduate study. Those who have a bachelor's degree may already be pursuing graduate study and may receive Fellowship support to continue that study. Individuals who are in the third, or subsequent, year of study in the same graduate program are not, however, eligible for this competition. Students who have received a master's degree in a program and are continuing for a doctoral degree in the same program are considered to have been in the same program from the time they began their work on their master's degree
- A Fellow may pursue a graduate degree in any professional field (e.g., engineering, medicine, law, social work, etc.) or scholarly discipline in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences. The Fine and Performing Arts are included.
- A Fellow may study at any accredited graduate program in the United States. It is the responsibility of the Fellow to secure admission.
- Demonstrated creativity, originality, and initiative in any area of her/his life;
- A record of outstanding accomplishment, demonstrated through activity that has required drive and sustained effort
- Shows commitment to the values expressed in the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The third criterion includes activity in support of human rights and the rule of law, in opposition to unwarranted encroachment on personal liberty, and in advancing the responsibilities of citizenship in a free society.

Description: The purpose of The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans is to provide opportunities for continuing generations of able and accomplished New Americans to achieve leadership in their chosen fields. The Program is established in recognition of the contributions New Americans have made to American life and in gratitude for the opportunities the United States has afforded the donors and their family. The Fellowships are grants for up to two years of graduate study in the United States. The recipients are chosen on a nationally competitive basis. Thirty Fellowships will be awarded each year.

Award Amount: Each year the Fellow receives a maintenance grant of $25,000 (paid in two installments) and a tuition grant of one-half the tuition cost of the US graduate program attended by the Fellow (up to a maximum of $20,000 per academic year). The Fellowship Program pays the tuition grant directly to the institution. The size of the tuition grant depends on the cost of tuition at the institution the Fellow attends.

National Deadline: November 1, 2014