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Students must (1) be enrolled full time in a research doctorate program and (2) propose dissertation research relevant to improving criminal or juvenile justice practice or policy in the United States. Applications are submitted by the university, which must be an accredited academic institution in the United States or its territories.

Benefits

- \$41,000 annual student salary
- \$16,000 annually for tuition, fees, and administrative costs.
- \$3,000 annually for research expenses.
- Up to three years of funding, usable over a five-year period.

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Fields of study include, but are not limited to:

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