

## **Student Opportunities at the Senator Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs**

Generally there are three types of opportunities available to students at the Senator Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs. All of the opportunities are tied to supporting the program activities of the Institute. These opportunities include:

- **Walter Rand Institute Graduate Assistant** -- this is the most prestigious of our opportunities and is reserved for a student with a strong scholastic record, a demonstrated analytical skill, and an expressed interest in public service as their career goal. The award includes a generous stipend with benefits and tuition for one year.

To apply students must submit an example of their scholarly work, a recent transcript, three letters of recommendation, with a cover letter describing their commitment to public service. Students need not be financial aid eligible in order to apply.

The student accepted for the WRI Graduate Assistant award will work approximately 15 hours a week at the Institute, assigned to work on at least one major project, to staff working groups assessing current policy issues and to draft a key working paper intended to generate policy action.

**Applications should be sent attn: Ms. Jennifer Intriago, Walter Rand Institute, Rutgers—Camden, 411 Cooper Street, Camden, NJ 08102-1521 and received by April 17, 2009.**

- **Senator Walter Rand Graduate Fellow** – this fellowship is an annual award for a graduate student intended to work 20 hours per week for 40 weeks at the Walter Rand Institute. While at the WRI, the fellow will focus on an identified community development/public policy topic, as well as participate in the full range of WRI projects and activities.

Students interested in applying/competing for this award should send a 5 page essay on one of the following community development/ public policy issues as it relates to Camden City or Southern New Jersey:

- Public safety
- Regional development
- Not for profit management
- Community development
- Economic development

Essay should accompany a letter of application summarizing the student's academic and occupational experience and aspirations, a copy of transcripts, and

two letters of recommendation. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA and need not be financial aid eligible in order to apply.

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- **Project Assistants**

- **Project Assistant I** - graduate students hired in this category will be hired to work on specific grant funded projects at the Institute. Students will be hired for specific skill sets required by our funded programs. The hours and rate of pay will be dependent on the terms of the grant.

**These positions will be advertised for as needed.**

- **Project Assistant II** – as there is available funding and programmatic need, the Walter Rand Institute will hire students to work up to 20 hours per week to support a range of projects within the Institute. The position is intended to assist WRI Program Coordinators while providing the graduate student with professional work experiences that will extend their repertoire of skills.

Students should submit a letter of interest and a resume to apply for these positions. They will be advertised as needed on the WRI website at <http://wrand.rutgers.edu/>.

**We are currently accepting applications for the 2009 summer and fall for this position. Applications should be sent attn: Ms. Jennifer Intriago, Walter Rand Institute, Rutgers—Camden, 411 Cooper Street, Camden, NJ 08102-1521 and received by May 8, 2009.**

- **Leonard Rand Scholar** – this scholarship is to be awarded to full-time graduate students participating in the programs of the Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs based upon academic merit and financial need. This award may be given in conjunction with the Senator Walter Rand Graduate Fellowship or may be awarded to a Project Assistant and will typically range from \$500 to \$1500.