

## 1999-2000 APSA Minority Fellows Named

APSA, in recognition of their outstanding academic and personal achievements during their undergraduate careers, has awarded the following students fellowships for graduate study in political science.

### Fellows with Stipend

#### *African Americans*

Elmer Ray Block Jr., Howard University

Andra N. Gillespie, University of Virginia

Melvin Rogers, Amherst College

#### *Latinos*

Elmo A. Berkel, Hunter College, City University of New York

Sylvia Manzano, St. Mary's University of Texas

#### *Native American*

Mark Davis California, State University, Chico

### Fellows without Stipend

#### *African Americans*

Katrina Gamble, Smith College

Zandra L. Johnson, South Carolina State University

Aisha Raj Pepperdine, University

#### *Latinos*

Jessica Alas, Loyola University

José Bocanegra, University of Texas, Brownville

Jose A. Ramirez, California State University, Fresno

Awards are based on students' undergraduate course work, GPA, extracurricular activities, and recommendations from faculty. Fellows with Stipend receive up to \$6,000 if they are unable to secure funding in the amount of \$6,000 or more from their graduate school of choice. The names of all Fellows, along with information about their undergraduate records and fields of interest, are forwarded to over 270 graduate school programs.

For applications or more information about the program, please write APSA, Attn: Minority Fellows Program, 1527 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036-1206; call 202-483-2512; or visit our web site at [www.apsanet.org/Minority/](http://www.apsanet.org/Minority/).

## 1998 Fall Round of Minority Identification Project Sets Records

During the most recent round of APSA's Minority Identification Project, 44 schools submitted a total of 262 names of promising minority students interested in pursuing graduate studies in political science. The majority of the students were identified by their undergraduate faculty. Some students were also self-identified. The 44 schools represent a record number of participants.

APSA expresses its appreciation to the participating political science departments at the following institutions: Baylor University; California State University, Fullerton; University of California, Berkeley; University of California, Irvine; University of California, Los Angeles; University of California, Santa Barbara;

University of Colorado; Columbia University; Emory University; Gettysburg College; Harvard University; Haverford College; University of Hawaii, Hilo; Hofstra University; Humboldt State University; University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; Indiana University; James Madison University; University of Louisville; Loyola University of New Orleans; Marist College; University of Maryland, Baltimore County; University of Maryland, College Park; Massachusetts Institute of Technology; University of Michigan; University of Minnesota; North Carolina State University; Northeastern Illinois University; Ohio State University; University of Oklahoma; University of Pennsylvania; Princeton University; University of Rhode Island; Salisbury State University; University of South Carolina; University of Southern California; Stanford Uni-

## Honoring Distinguished Service



John Hope Franklin (l), the James B. Duke Professor Emeritus of History at Duke University, and chairman of the Advisory Board to the Presidential Initiative on Race, receives a Distinguished Service Award from Michael Preston, chair of the APSA Committee on the Status Blacks at the 1998 Annual Meeting in Boston, Massachusetts. A graduate of Fisk University, Franklin received his A.M. and Ph.D. degrees in history from Harvard University. He has sat on the faculty at a number of institutions, including Fisk University, St. Augustine's College, North Carolina Central University, and Howard University. Franklin's numerous publications include *The Emancipation Proclamation*, *The Militant South*, *The Free Negro in North Carolina*, *Reconstruction After the Civil War*, and *A Southern Odyssey: Travelers in the Ante-bellum North*. Perhaps his best known book is *From Slavery to Freedom: A History of African-Americans*, now in its seventh edition. In 1997 President Clinton appointed Franklin chair of the seven-member advisory board for the Presidential Initiative on Race.

versity; Susquehanna University; Syracuse University; Temple University; Texas A&M University; Texas Southern University; University of Texas, Richardson; and Yale University.

For more information about the project, please contact Jun Yin, Minority Identification Project, APSA, 1527 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036-1206; 202-483-2512; [minority\\_id@apsanet.org](mailto:minority_id@apsanet.org).

## Midterm 1998 Election, Speaker Resignation, and Impeachment Proceedings—A Heady Atmosphere for 1998–99 Congressional Fellows' Job Search

Jeffrey Biggs, *American Political Science Association*

APSA welcomed 42 Congressional Fellows to DC this past fall for an orientation to the inner workings of Congress and the federal government. After completing a month (and more, in some cases) of training conducted by academics, journalists, current Hill staffers, and former Fellows, the members of CFP's 46<sup>th</sup> class began looking for jobs in December.

The 105<sup>th</sup> Congress's full fall of impeachment proceedings, interrupted briefly by the mid-term elections, made securing staff positions more difficult for these Fellows than for last year's class. Most Fellows found work by mid-January, however.

All eight political science Fellows found positions early. David P. Auerswald of George Washington

University realized his goal of gaining hands-on international relations experience by landing a minority staff position with Senator Joseph Biden (D-DE) on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Similarly, Lisa Garcia Bedolla will be able to supplement her doctoral research at Yale University on Latino/a politics with the practical knowledge she gains working for Javier Becerra (D-CA), chair of the Hispanic Caucus.

Thomas Brunell, a visiting professor at the University of California, Irvine, turned his summer job with the House Subcommittee on the Census into a year-long Fellowship assignment dealing with the highly controversial issue of using sampling to supplement the headcount. Colton Campbell, an assistant professor at Florida International University, secured a staff position with Senator Bob Graham (D-FL), and Eric Heberlig of Ohio State University found a position with Ohio Republican Representative Tom Sawyer.

Steiger Fellow David Leal, assistant professor at the State University of New York, Buffalo, parlayed his experience on Senator and perennial-potential presidential candidate's John Kerry's (D-MA) campaign staff into a position on the office staff. Benjamin Highton of the University of California, Berkeley will spend his year in the office of Paul Wellstone (D-MN). APSA-MCI Congressional Fellow Daniel Lipinski decided to make maximal use of his Duke University doctoral research on congressional communication with the public by securing a position with the Democratic "message group" chaired by Minority Leader Richard Gephardt (D-MO).

Other Fellows easily making the transition from trainee to employee included first-time Hatfield Fellow Pete Wakefield of the Oregon Grand Rond tribes, whose training as a forester and expertise in land-use management will serve him well as he works in the office of Senator Ron Wyden (D-OR) and serves as a resource person for the entire northwest congressional delegations; Blane Dessy, executive director of the National Library of Education in the U.S. Department of Education, whose interest in the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary

### Northeast Political Science Association

The Northeast Political Science Association held its annual meeting in Boston between November 12 and 14, 1998. Program Chair Jo Renee Formicola of Seton Hall University oversaw the meeting, which featured over 400 paper presentations. Guest speakers included former governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Honorable Michael Dukakis, now with the Northeastern University department of political science, and Matthew Holden Jr. of the University of Virginia and president of the American Political Science Association. In 1999 the NEPSA will again meet in Boston, November 12–13.



From left to right: Garrison Nelson, Brandeis University (NEPSA Executive Director); Matthew Holden Jr., University of Virginia; the Honorable Michael Dukakis, Northeastern University; and Jo Renee Formicola, Seton Hall University.