

Ruth & Lovett Peters Fellowship

Focusing on Education Policy in 2017-2018

Pioneer Institute is seeking candidates for the Ruth and Lovett Peters fellowship, an opportunity for a current or recent graduate student with an interest in education policy and strong data-driven research and analytic abilities. The fellow, who carries the title of Ruth & Lovett Peters Fellow, will develop a methodology for evaluating various Massachusetts school districts based on quantitative data available on the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's website and provide a narrative summary as well as statistical data on performance of each of the districts selected.

The Fellowship will commence in the late summer/early fall of 2017.

A Ruth & Lovett Peters Fellow at Pioneer Institute will:

- Enhance leadership skills
- Gain extensive training in research writing and the peer review process
- Apply statistical knowledge to research questions
- Develop wide-ranging social media communications experience
- Advance presentation skills
- Develop a broad network within the public policy community

The term of the Fellowship will be between 6 and 9 months. During the course of the Fellowship, the Fellow will receive training and research assistance as well as develop a thorough grounding in think tank marketing and communications strategy. Pioneer staff will offer guidance on skillset development in research project assistance and writing.

The Ruth & Lovett Peters Fellowship is available to applicants with Master's level course completion; preferably those with an MBA, MPA, MPP, other Master's programs or those currently enrolled in a doctoral program. The Institute will also consider recently graduated undergraduate students with outstanding experience. The Fellow will report to Jamie Gass, Director of PioneerEducation.

The Fellow will receive a salary (annualized between \$35,000 and \$45,000), the amount of which is dependent on experience and other criteria, for the fellowship period. The LCP Fellow will be eligible for benefits including health and dental insurance and the annualized equivalent of three weeks of flextime.

Mandatory Requirements for Application

- Reside in the Boston area during the entire program.
- Be a recent graduate or currently enrolled in an accredited Masters or PhD program.
- Possess an interest in K-12 public education policy and goals consistent with Pioneer's mission.
- Proficiency in quantitative analysis, evidenced by graduate-level statistics and methods courses or professional experience.

- Be a U.S. citizen, have permanent U.S. residency or possess Curricular Practical Training (CPT) authorization.

Applications and Candidate Review Process

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis, but we will begin to evaluate applications by May 1st. Selection of the Fellow will be determined by a team of Pioneer Institute staff.

No application will be considered unless all of the required information is submitted by the deadline. Please e-mail:

- Application form (attached) and a current resume.
- A copy of both undergraduate and graduate transcripts (if selected, an official copy will be requested).
- A recommendation from a faculty member using the attached form.
- An essay (no greater than 500 words) explaining why you chose your current field of study, why your goals are consistent with Pioneer's mission and how this Fellowship would help you to achieve your goals. If selected to proceed further, an interview will be conducted.

If you have questions about the fellowship, please contact:

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Application for Lovett C. Peters Fellowship

Name				
Home or Permanent Address				
Address at School			Send correspondence to:	
Phone	Cell Phone	E-mail		
Date of Birth				
Are you authorized to work in the U.S.?				
Graduate School	Date of Graduation	Degree Sought	GPA	
Undergraduate School	Date of Graduation	Major	Minor	GPA
High School attended (Name, City, State)				
Other Post-secondary institutions where you have been enrolled (Name, City, State)				

Community and Volunteer Activities (Please List)

Work Experience:		
Dates	Organization	Position

Other Fellowships, if any:	
Dates	Organization