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FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT INTERNSHIPS, RESEARCH

MISSOULA –

The Public Policy and Leadership Initiative of the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center at The University of Montana offers internship and research awards to both undergraduate and graduate students.

Grant amounts range from \$500 to \$2,500 and will be awarded for use by UM students during 2010 Wintersession and spring and summer semesters. Applications are due in the Mansfield Center by 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1. Awardees will be contacted by Monday, Dec. 14, and posted on the center's Web site.

The Public Policy and Leadership Initiative fosters civic responsibility in future leaders and furthers civil dialogue on domestic policy considerations. The program emphasizes the global nature of responsible decision-making, the ethical imperatives of leadership and the skills necessary for careful policy analysis and development.

Grants will be made in two areas:

- **Internships:** Students must already have a specific internship in mind to which the funds would be applied and can consult with their departments or the Mansfield Center for relevant opportunities.
- **Research:** Students must have sufficient background in the discipline of the major to conduct meaningful research and the ability to develop and carry out a research project under the

guidance of a faculty mentor. The faculty mentor's written agreement to work with the student is required.

Application criteria are available on the Mansfield Center Web site at

<http://www.umt.edu/mansfield>. For more information, call Deena Mansour at 406-243-2713 or e-mail deena.mansour@mso.umt.edu.

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