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PROGRAM ON RELIGION, DIPLOMACY, AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
"Religion and Cyber"

APPLICATION FOR FELLOWS PROGRAM 2017-18

DEADLINE: Friday, September 29, 2017 by 5:00pm to jgufford@princeton.edu

The Liechtenstein Institute's Program on Religion, Diplomacy, and International Relations (PORDIR) is now accepting applications for 2017-18 student fellows. The theme for this year's seminar and fellowship is "Religion and Cyber."

Established in 2007, PORDIR is an academic-year fellowship that offers both graduate and undergraduate students at Princeton the opportunity to study, reflect, and generate ideas and publications concerning the multiple intersections of religion and international politics – exploring the influence of religion on power politics, conflict and crisis management, and the conduct of twenty-first century diplomacy and peace negotiations. PORDIR seeks to facilitate discussions about religion and international politics in a neutral, non-ideological forum theoretically structured to encourage open and candid interdisciplinary, intergenerational, international, and interreligious exchanges among students, scholars, religious and policy practitioners; and promote research, teaching and publication relating to religion and international relations.

Fellows are chosen from a variety of academic backgrounds and meet weekly – every Wednesday over lunch – throughout the academic year. Attendance is obligatory. Over the course of the year, fellows are expected to pursue independent, academically rigorous research and to present their final article-length presentation at the annual international PORDIR colloquium in early June. During the course of the year, PORDIR invites distinguished scholars, diplomatic practitioners, and religious leaders to lead and inspire the discussion, offering their perspectives on a topic relating to the interplay between religion and international politics. Meetings that are not hosted by an outside speaker offer students and faculty of the core group to interact, discuss the messages of previous speakers, and share their own research.

Past PORDIR fellows have come from a variety of departments and programs, bringing their specific academic backgrounds and interdisciplinary methodologies to bear on key issues related to religion and international politics. PORDIR fellows have used their research as a basis for academic publication, future thesis and dissertation work, and have utilized their research through the course of internships at places such as the UN, State Department, and a variety of international governments, media outlets, and NGOs.

The 2017-18 PORDIR workshop will focus on questions related to the interplay between religion and cyber issues in various spheres – political, military, economic, cultural and individual – with significant bearing on international politics. We invite students – graduate and undergraduate alike – who are interested in these topics to apply for the program and partake in this exciting project, now in its eighth year.

For enquiries about the program and for submitting your application, please contact Jacqueline Gufford at jgufford@princeton.edu. The application is available on the LISD website: www.lisd.princeton.edu.

Applications are due Friday, September 29, 2017 by 5:00pm. Applicants will be notified of a decision no later than Friday, October 6. The first meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 11 from 12:00-1:20 in 035 Robertson Hall.** We look forward to hearing from you!

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Please limit your responses to 250 words per short answer question

Name

Class Year

Department/Field

Campus Address

Phone Number

Email

Why are you interested in the Program on Religion, Diplomacy, and International Relations?

Describe any academic, personal and/or religious experiences that you feel particularly inform your perspectives on the influence of religion on the conduct of international relations.

What are your expectations from participation in the fellowship program?