

The Connecticut Governor's Fellowship

The Connecticut Governor's Fellowship Program offers a unique opportunity to serve at the forefront of public innovation. Fellows work side-by-side with senior leaders in the Governor's Office and executive agencies to tackle pressing challenges—from modernizing civic technology to shaping education, health, and workforce policy. This immersive, yearlong experience is designed for individuals eager to make an impact through cross-agency collaboration, data-driven solutions, and a commitment to public service. Please see the fellowship website to learn more.

Activities and Responsibilities

Fellows will be assigned to support priority projects at specific executive branch agencies and/or offices. There is only one agency placement currently available in this recruitment. Other placements may become available.

Department of Social Services (DSS)

The Fellow will support the state in implementing responsive solutions to federal policy changes. In close collaboration with senior agency leadership, the Fellow will play a key role in monitoring, analyzing, and executing time-sensitive, high-priority policy and process updates for the Medicaid and SNAP programs. Additionally, the Fellow will partner with the agency's communications team to ensure that stakeholders—including program participants, nonprofit partners, healthcare providers, and legislators—understand how federal policy shifts may affect them. The ideal candidate is an exceptional communicator with strong project management skills, experience in government service delivery, and a solid grounding in user-centered policy design.

Skills and Experience

- Advanced degree preferred.
- 3-8 years of work experience, with a track record of achievement and ability to work independently in fast-paced work environments and lead projects from start to finish.
- Proven ability to work comfortably across teams and among a diversity of stakeholders.
- Relevant subject matter and/or functional expertise.
- Passion for public service and willingness to learn.
- Strong written and verbal communication.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.

Application Requirements

- Cover letter
- Resume
- Writing sample
- References

Please see the "Submission Instructions" listed within the Request for Qualifications for complete instructions.

Timeline

- Fellows will be contracted for one year starting in late November to early December for a total compensation not to exceed \$110,000. This is a hybrid opportunity with in-person contractual work required in Hartford, CT.
- Fellows may have the potential to extend beyond their initial contract period.

The application deadline¹ is 11:59 PM (EST), on November 9, 2025. To be considered, please follow the "Submission Instructions" found within the Fall 2025 Request for Qualifications. Contact melissa.conway@ct.gov with any questions.

 $^{^{1}}$ The initial application deadline was "11:59 PM (EST), on November 2, 2025," and has been updated.