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## WILLIAM L. FISHER CONGRESSIONAL GEOSCIENCE FELLOWSHIP

The AGI Congressional Geoscience Fellowship represents a unique opportunity to gain first-hand experience with the legislative process on Capitol Hill. The successful candidate will spend 12 months (starting September 2009) in Washington working as a staff member in the office of a member of Congress or a congressional committee. Fellows make practical contributions to the effective and timely use of geoscientific knowledge on issues relating to the environment, resources, natural hazards, and federal science policy.

Prospective applicants should have a broad geoscience background and excellent written and oral communication skills. Minimum requirements are a master's degree with three years of post-degree work experience or a Ph.D. at the time of appointment. Although prior experience in public policy is not necessary, a demonstrable interest in applying science to the solution of public problems is desirable.

The fellowship carries an annual stipend of up to \$56,000 plus allowances for health insurance, relocation, and travel. Additionally, the fellowship includes a possible two to four month extension. Support for the fellowship is provided by an endowment through the AGI Foundation honoring William L. Fisher.

Interested candidates would submit a cover letter and curriculum vitae with three letters of reference online at [www.agiweb.org/gap/csf/application/](http://www.agiweb.org/gap/csf/application/). For further details, visit the AGI web site [www.agiweb.org/gap/csf](http://www.agiweb.org/gap/csf), call (703) 379-2480 ext. 228, or email [govt@agiweb.org](mailto:govt@agiweb.org). AGI is an equal opportunity employer.

All application materials must be postmarked by February 1, 2009.

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