Fox has always had robust undergraduate student steering committees as well as ongoing mentoring and career development relationships with the many Penn students who self-identify as “Fox alumni.” To codify and build on that special program tradition, in 2014 Fox sponsored four different types of named and funded fellowships.

- **FREDERIC FOX FELLOWSHIP:** This fellowship is dedicated to a low-income student who attended high school and resides in Philadelphia. It offers four years of tuition, room and board, and Fox fellowships.

- **PENNY FOX UNDERGRADUATE OR ALUMNI RESEARCH AND SERVICE FELLOSHIPS:** Presently enrolled undergraduates or students who graduated from Penn within the preceding five years who are engaged with the program during the summer months.

- **ROBERT A. FOX UNDERGRADUATE OR ALUMNI RESEARCH AND SERVICE FELLOSHIPS:** Presently enrolled undergraduates or students who graduated from Penn within the preceding five years who are engaged with the program in one or more semesters during the academic year.

- **ROBERT A. FOX AND PENNY FOX ALUMNI RESEARCH AND SERVICE FELLOSHIPS:** Students who graduated from Penn within the preceding several years who are engaged with the program for an entire year or more.

For helping to institute and institutionalize the Fox Fellowships, we are grateful, as ever, to Robert A. Fox and Penny Fox, as well as to the Penn President Dr. Amy Gutmann; the SAS Dean of Faculty, Dr. Steven Fluharty; the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences (and Fox professor), Dr. Dennis DeTurck; The Vice Dean of SAS Advancement, Ms. Jean-Marie Kneeley; the Penn Dean of Admissions, Mr. Eric Furda; Ms. Mary Summers, Fox Leadership Program Resident Senior Fellow; Dr. John Lapinski, Fox Non-Resident Senior Fellow and Associate Professor of Political Science; Dr. Deirdre Martinez, Fox Senior Fellow and Executive Director of Penn in Washington; and the many other Penn faculty affiliates and senior fellows who have assisted or encouraged this innovation. Most of all, we are grateful to our present and former Penn students. This annual booklet lists 73 Fox Fellows for 2014.
**FREDERIC FOX FELLOW**

**ZAKYA HALL (C’17)** plans to double major in Political Science and Communications with a minor in Hispanic Studies. She is a Philadelphia native. As the first Frederic Fox Fellow, Zakya has collaborated with Penn Leads the Vote to register Penn undergraduates to vote. Her efforts, along with others, assisted nearly 600 students to register. At Penn, Zakya serves as a peer advisor where she helps incoming freshmen transition to Penn. She is also a deputy board member on the Penn Democrats.

**PENNY FOX UNDERGRADUATE OR ALUMNI RESEARCH AND SERVICE FELLOWS**

**STEVEN ACCHIONE (C’17)** is an Economics major from Mount Laurel, NJ. Steven’s Fellowship allowed him to work with Dr. Beverly Frazier on a study that examined the institutional capacity for reintegration of ex-offenders. He collected data from reentry programs and analyzed how these programs could be improved. At Penn, Steven is a recipient of the Hassenfeld Social Impact Grant for his work as co-founder of a nonprofit working to implement economic development and education initiatives in Sierra Leone. He is also CFO for Compass Capital, a campus microfinance institution that lends credit-building and business-building loans to residents of West Philadelphia. After graduation, Steven wants to pursue a career in global macroeconomic investment, with a focus on developing sustainable emerging markets.

**JOSEPH BRUCH (C’15)** is a Psychology major from Fort Washington, PA. As a Fox Fellow, Joseph worked with the Director of Policy at Benefits Data Trust, a Philadelphia nonprofit that uses data-driven strategies to match eligible low-income Americans with government assistance programs. Joseph worked primarily on a private-sector research partnership to develop a federal funding application linking large administrative data sets with Medicare and Medicaid claims data. At Penn, Joseph directs the Silverman Fellowship program, an English Honors program where Penn students teach bioethics and social ethics in West Philadelphia high schools. He also co-chairs the University Honor Council.

**SERENA COVKIN (C’14)** majored in History and minored in Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies. She is from Short Hills, NJ. As a Fox Fellow, Serena worked as a research assistant for history professor Stephanie McCurry, investigating the influence of encounters between Confederate women and the Union Army on the laws of war developed by political scientist Francis Lieber during the Civil War. At Penn, Serena was a co-chair of the History Undergraduate Advisory Board and an editor of Penn History Review. Her senior thesis was a comparison of Southern and Northern women’s patriotic organizations during and after the Civil War.

**CATHERINE DARIN (C’16)** is an Economics Major from Westford, MA. As a Fox Fellow, Catherine worked with Nutritional Development Services (NDS), a federally funded agency of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia that provides meals, food assistance, and additional support to children and those in need in the greater Philadelphia area. Catherine worked primarily with the Summer Meal Programs, where in addition to helping with daily operations, she also collected and analyzed survey data on satisfaction with menu items. At Penn, Catherine is involved with the International Affairs Association as well as Penn Outdoors.

**MCKENZIE DAVIS (C’15)** is majoring in Nutrition and Anthropology. She is from Blue Springs, MO. As a Fox Fellow, McKenzie was a part of the Botswana-UPenn Partnership. Her Fellowship at the Kamogelo Daycare Centre in Gaborone, Botswana involved teaching children, cooking and serving food to the children and staff, going on home visits, and soliciting donations for the Centre. At Penn, she is a member of the varsity gymnastics team and the Student Athlete Athletic Council, and tutors in West Philadelphia.

**MARIAH DETERS (C’14)** graduated from Penn with a double major in Political Science and East Asian Languages & Civilizations, as well as a minor in Statistics. She is from Socorro, NM. As a Fox Fellow, she worked with a group of students from Jiangsu province in China in a pilot exchange program that focused on issues in American political governance, such as environmental protection, poverty reduction and urban development. While an undergraduate, Mariah founded the Undergraduate Statistics Society, explored the east coast with the Penn Outdoors Club, and was a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority.
BRITTANY DICKENS (C’15) is a Health and Societies major with a Global Health concentration. She is from New York, NY. As a Fox Fellow, she served as Hotline and Outreach Assistant at the Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger, where she took calls on the SNAP hotline to complete pre-screenings and submit applications for the entitlement program through Pennsylvania’s online application portal COMPASS. In addition, she answered general inquiries and assisted clients on Philly Summer Meals and Child Care Food Program Hotlines. At Penn, Brittany is involved with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship.

JEANMARIE ELICAN (C’17) is a Political Science major from Philadelphia. Jeanmarie’s summer fellowship involved work with the Summer Meals Program at Nutritional Development Services. As a Program Assistant, Jeanmarie worked with site supervisors on a comprehensive data management system and with the program’s nutritionist to write articles for a monthly newsletter and created menus for the school year. Jeanmarie is currently interning at Senator Robert Casey’s office in DC as she completes the Penn in Washington Semester Program. At Penn, Jeanmarie is a volunteer for Ase Academy, Programming Chair for the Society of Pre-Law Students of Color, and serves as the Secretary and Treasurer for her sorority, Zeta Phi Beta.

ZACHARY ENDTER (C’16) is an Economic History major from Oreland, PA. As a Fellow, he worked in the Program for Opinion Research and Election Studies (PORES). Zachary researched and wrote an extensive literature review on early and absentee voting, or “convenience voting.” Zac also gathered information for a data set on states’ early voting laws. A third project involved examining the modern South’s influence on national policymaking. Previously, he worked as political researcher for the Apartment Association of Greater Philadelphia. At Penn, Zac serves on the Marketing Committee of Amnesty International.

JAMES FANGMEYER (W’15) is a Statistics major from Rockville, MD. James served as a Fox Fellow at Georgetown University’s Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate, where he contributed to social science studies of American Catholicism. This year at the annual conference of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, James will present findings on the civic and religious outcomes of religious volunteer service. At Penn, he commits his time to the Newman Center and 1-in-4. After graduation, James hopes to move to Mexico to become fluent in Spanish before returning to his hometown.

SEAN FOLEY (C’16) is a Political Science major from Scranton, PA. As a Fox Fellow, Sean worked at the Brookings Institution, a public policy think tank in Washington, DC. During his internship, Sean conducted research for Brookings scholar and Washington Post columnist E.J. Dionne, assisting with fact-finding and editing for Dr. Dionne’s column and forthcoming book. At Penn, Sean is the political director for the Penn Democrats, conference program director for Penn Model Congress, and works as a research assistant in the Political Science department for Professor Rogers Smith.

KATE GHEEN (C’15) is a Political Science major from Philadelphia. She is concentrating in American Politics and has a minor in Legal Studies & Business Ethics. As a Fox Fellow, Kate spent her summer working for the Summer Meals Program at Nutritional Development Services. Through the Summer Meals Program, NDS provides nutritious lunches, free of cost to low-income children in the Philadelphia area. At NDS, Kate managed the organization’s social media presence, drafted federal grant applications, and analyzed and interpreted various data sets. During the school year, Kate works as a City Council Fellow for Philadelphia Councilwoman At-Large Blondell Reynolds Brown.
CARISSA GILBERT (C’15) is a Health and Societies major from Sugar Land, TX. As a Fellow, she worked for the government of the District of Columbia in the office of the Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services. Carissa managed communications by updating the government website, calendar of events, blog, and Twitter for One City Youth Initiative. Carissa was also responsible for virtually all online publicity for “DC. Free Summer Meals” and a majority of the on-the-ground outreach at community events. At Penn, Carissa has actively volunteered with the Agatston Urban Nutrition Initiative to improve the quality of food in Philadelphia public schools. She is also a residential advisor at Kings Court English House.

RACHEL GOODMAN (C’15) is a History major, concentrating in American History with minors in Africana and Latin American and Latino Studies. She is from Philadelphia. As a Fox Fellow, Rachel worked at the Atlantic Center for Capital Representation, a non-profit death penalty resource center, where she researched the implications of individual states’ death penalty laws, synthesized trial and post-verdict court transcripts for defense teams representing clients on Federal Death Row, and tracked the trajectory of capital cases in Pennsylvania. At Penn, Rachel is the executive head of events for Penn Undergraduate Law Society, a board member of the History Undergraduate Advisory Board, and captain of Penn’s cheerleading team. After graduation, Rachel plans to attend law school to further her understanding of human rights and public interest legal policy.

NATALIE GOULD (C’14) graduated from Penn as a Philosophy, Politics and Economics major. She is originally from Minneapolis, MN. Natalie’s Fellowship allowed her to work with E.J. Dionne, at the Brookings Institution, on his forthcoming book. At Penn, Natalie was a resident advisor in Fisher Hassenfeld, a research assistant at Operation Public Education, and a campus campaign coordinator for Teach for America. She is currently working for the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, DC.

DECLAN HAHN (EMORY’16) is a History and African Studies major from Philadelphia. Declan was part of an innovative pilot project in which Emory University took responsibility for a Penn Fellow and Penn took responsibility for an Emory Fellow. Declan worked at the Atlantic Center for Capital Representation (ACCR), a nonprofit organization that offers counseling and legal representation to public defenders who are faced with difficult cases where the state is seeking the death penalty, and to defendants who cannot afford to pay for representation. At ACCR, Declan summarized court proceedings, organized files, and participated in meetings with public defenders and convicted persons. After graduation, Declan plans to attend law school to study criminal law.

JELANI HAYES (C’15) is a History major with a minor in Sustainability and Environmental Management. She is from Moreno Valley, CA. Through her Fellowship, Jelani interned at the Drug Policy Alliance, the nation’s leading drug policy reform organization. Working in DPA’s media department in Manhattan, she participated in media campaign strategy and development. She also organized a press conference, and wrote for the Huffington Post. On campus, Jelani is a senior advisor for Communication Within the Curriculum, Penn’s public speaking tutoring program. She is also the co-chair of the History Undergraduate Advisory Board. Jelani hopes to work in media or public relations after graduation and then pursue a law degree.

TAYLOR HOSKING (C’17) is a double major in Political Science and Sociology from New York, NY. As a Fox Fellow, Taylor worked for the National Urban League in New York in the marketing and communication department. Her job was to promote the Urban League’s annual conference, prepare program guides, and keep track of donated goods for events. At the conference she assisted with social media coverage of speaker events, including Vice President Joe Biden’s address. At Penn, Taylor is a writer for IMPACT Magazine, which addresses topics of social justice. She is also a research assistant for political science professor Daniel Gillion.
FABIEL JEAN-PHILLIPE (C’14) graduated from Penn with a Psychology degree. She is from Harrison, NY. As a Fox Fellow working with Dr. Beverly Frazier, she gained experience in a multitude of areas including qualitative research, project management, data collection, and nonprofit involvement in prisoner reentry programs. During her time at Penn, Fabiel was an active member of the flute section in the Penn Band and also worked as a library assistant at Van Pelt Library. Since graduation, Fabiel has been working as an English language teacher in Prague, Czech Republic.

EZRA KURTZ (C’17) is from Hollywood, FL and is majoring in Political Science and Modern Middle Eastern Studies. As a Fellow, he worked with Professor Marc Meredith and a small team of student researchers to analyze Congressional spending patterns, and the role that Congressional leadership has on the allocation of funds to states. He also researched the variance in the restoration of felon voting rights between states. At Penn, Ezra is the vice-chair of membership for the Penn Political Coalition, as well as the communications director for J Street, an organization that fosters Middle East discourse.

KRISTIN JOHNSON (C’15) is a Political Science major from Naperville, IL. During her Fox Fellowship, she worked for Partners for Sacred Places in Chicago. She interviewed leaders of sacred spaces and organized her findings. With this information, Partners for Sacred Places plans to create a website that will match sacred places that have available room for artists and other community organizations who need space in downtown Chicago. At Penn, Kristin is involved with the LGBTQ center and has worked for the Law Library. After graduation, she plans to attend law school.

MORGAN LEVINE (SPP’15) is a graduate student at Penn’s School of Social Policy and Practice studying Macro Social Work. She is from Ventnor City, NJ. As a Fox Fellow, Morgan worked as project manager for the Dubois’ Oral History Project. Morgan coordinated the collection and transcription of oral histories from the elders of historically black churches, Tindley Temple United Methodist Church and Mother Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. Morgan is currently serving as a Graduate Fellow for State Representative Brian Sims. After graduation, Morgan plans to continue her career in advocacy and education related to social justice issues.

CARTHI MANNIKAROTTU (C’14) graduated from Penn as a Health and Societies major with a Global Health concentration. She is from Albany, NY. Through her Fox Fellowship, she worked with Nutritional Development Services at the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, where she served as an operations intern for the Summer Meals Program. She assisted with the daily operations of the program, which provided balanced meals to children at nearly 500 sites in Greater Philadelphia. She also analyzed data to monitor the financial efficiency of the federally-funded program. She is currently working on a global health research study in India. At Penn, she served as Chair of PENNaach, the all-female South Asian fusion dance team, and worked for Residential Services.

BENJAMIN KRAMER (C’17) is from Dresher, PA, and is majoring in Math and Economics with a minor in Spanish. Through his fellowship, Benjamin worked with Penn Political Science professor Dr. Marc Meredith. Learning both Python and Stata programming along the way, most of his time was spent in data manipulation and extracting information from websites. At Penn, Ben is a member of Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity and a leader in the Penn-Israel Public Affairs Committee.

FABIEL JEAN-PHILLIPE (C’14) graduated from Penn with a Psychology degree. She is from Harrison, NY. As a Fox Fellow working with Dr. Beverly Frazier, she gained experience in a multitude of areas including qualitative research, project management, data collection, and nonprofit involvement in prisoner reentry programs. During her time at Penn, Fabiel was an active member of the flute section in the Penn Band and also worked as a library assistant at Van Pelt Library. Since graduation, Fabiel has been working as an English language teacher in Prague, Czech Republic.

ZACHARY KROWITZ (C’15) is a Political Science and History major from Stamford, CT. Zac worked at the Clinton Foundation in the communications department during his Fellowship. He handled incoming press inquiries, researched and drafted press releases and briefs, and worked on story pitches for media. He also worked on briefs for President Clinton and his staff. At Penn, he is the business manager for the Penn Political Review and served as the communications director for Penn Democrats in 2012.
KATHERINE MANSFIELD (C’14) graduated from Penn with a degree in Health & Societies. She is from Wallingford, PA. As a Fox Fellow, Kat was the legislative intern for the Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services in Washington, DC. She tracked legislation relevant to the deputy mayor as it moved through the judicial process, attended hearings, and kept staff informed about pertinent news. At Penn, Kat was a member of the Penn Environmental Group and volunteered at the Community Farm & Food Resource Center at Bartram’s Garden with the Agatston Urban Nutrition Initiative. Kat is working with Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP as a corporate legal assistant.

LEEANN MAO (C’15) is a Health and Societies major from Temple City, CA. As a Fox Fellow, Leean worked at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia’s Healthy Weight Clinic to develop a food insecurity screening program. She helped a program linking patients to federal food resources. On campus, she is one of the chairs for the Asian Pacific American Heritage week and was the president of the Penn Taiwanese Society. Following Penn, she hopes to work in a healthcare related field.

WILL MARBLE (C’15) is majoring in Political Science and Economics with a minor in Math. He is from Erdenheim, PA. As a Fellow, Will worked for the Program for Opinion Research and Election Studies. Will conducted research on how voting reforms affect political participation, finding that mail voting increases participation in statewide races, such as those for secretary of state and state auditor. At Penn, he works for The Daily Pennsylvanian, where he is a news editor. He also coaches the debate team at his high school.

BRITNEY MASON (C’15) is a Criminology major from Poughkeepsie, NY. As a Fellow, she worked for the Bureau of Justice Statistics in Washington, D.C., where she assisted in writing a federal report on victimization of the elderly. The report will present important data from the National Crime Victimization Survey on violent and property victimization against persons age 65 or older from 2003-2013. At Penn, Britney is the director of activities for Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity, serves on the Undergraduate Criminology Advisory Board and volunteers for the West Philadelphia Tutoring Project.

MICHAEL MORSE (C’13) graduated from Penn with a major in Political Science. He is originally from Hollywood, FL. As a Fellow, he conducted research with Political Science Professor Marc Meredith on felon disenfranchisement in the South. He travelled to Montgomery, Alabama to collect data on the restoration of civil rights, which was also the topic of his senior thesis. At Penn, Michael was a reporter at FactCheck.org and a member of Zeta Beta Tau. He is currently a graduate student in the department of government at Harvard University.

SAMANTHA OSAKI (C’14) graduated from Penn with a double major in Urban Studies and English. She is from Walnut, CA. Samantha’s Fellowship enabled her to work in Washington, DC with Girls Inc., a nonprofit organization that addresses the needs of more than 138,000 girls across the country. As the summer public policy associate, Samantha tracked all House and Senate bills pertaining to girls’ rights, revamped the organization’s “Engage” website, and represented Girls Inc. at congressional hearings and coalition meetings. At Penn, Samantha dedicated her time to advocating for educational equity and women’s rights, most notably as president of Penn Education Society and vice president of research for Seneca International. She is currently working in Abidjan, Cote d’Ivoire as a Fulbright Fellow and English teacher at an all-girls high school.

MABEL OVIEDO (C’16) is a Communications and English major from Guttenberg, NJ. Her Fox Fellowship was with the National Urban League. As an intern for the Program for Opinion Research and Election Studies. Will conducted research on how voting reforms affect political participation, finding that mail voting increases participation in statewide races, such as those for secretary of state and state auditor. At Penn, he works for The Daily Pennsylvanian, where he is a news editor. He also coaches the debate team at his high school.

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Natalie Peelish (C’16) is a Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Major from Annapolis, MD. Natalie’s Fellowship allowed her to work on two separate research projects in Political Science with Professor John Lapinski. The first project looked at how Americans’ views of the “Most Important Problem” facing the nation has changed over time, which involved coding survey results and writing a software program to analyze the data. The second project looked at felon disenfranchisement in the United States, which involved coding clemency requests, researching state laws regarding re-enfranchisement, and analyzing racial disparities with disenfranchisement. At Penn, Natalie is the Marketing Director for The WALK Magazine and serves on the executive board of the Alpha Phi Sorority. After graduation, Natalie hopes to attend law school.

Jennie Shulkin (C’15) is a double major in Communication & Public Service and Sociology. She is from Gladwyne, PA. Jennie’s Fellowship was at the Brookings Institution in the Center for Universal Education. She helped to organize events, perform administrative tasks, and conduct research. At Penn, Jennie was a member of the women’s varsity squash team, and she currently writes as a blogger for the Huffington Post. Upon graduation, she will enroll in graduate school or find a fitting position in which she can continue her commitment to public service.

Amy Phillips (C’15) is an Anthropology and Health and Societies double major from Warrenton, VA. As a Fellow, Amy worked at the Urban Institute where she served as a research assistant on an evaluation of the Children’s Health Insurance Program Re-authorization Act (CHIPRA). She traveled to Oregon for a field visit to interview state health officials and individuals who work in rural practices. She also contributed to proposals for projects on Health Information Exchange evaluation and to a systematic literature review on the effectiveness of the Primary Care Medical Home model. At Penn, Amy is the co-president of Girl Scouts at Penn. She is also a member of the Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity.

Joseph Sageman (C’17) is a double major in Economics and Political Science from Rockville, MD. As a Fox Fellow, Joe worked with Political Science professors to research several topics including the partisanship of new parents, racial patterns in criminal sentencing and federal highway funding. At Penn, Joe works as an advocate at LIFT-Philadelphia, a resource center that combats poverty in West Philadelphia.

Jennifer Schofield (C’17) is a double major in Communications and Cinema Studies. She is from Mercersburg, PA. Jen worked with the Agaston Urban Nutrition Initiative in a position in which she cooked with middle school students in West Philadelphia schools, and worked with the students on issues of food justice. At Penn she has become involved in theatre. She wishes to pursue a career as a television producer.

Callan Parra (C’15) is a Political Science major from San Diego, CA. As a Fellow, she worked at Kamogelo Daycare Centre in Botswana, an organized relief project and center designed to help HIV-positive and vulnerable children develop emotionally, mentally, and physically. As a Fellow at Kamogelo, she helped to raise funds, taught English to youth, prepared healthy meals for students, and created a reward system to reinforce good behavior within the school. At Penn, she has played on the women’s varsity soccer team, volunteered in the Philadelphia School District, and is a happiness blogger. Callan plans to attend medical school with a focus on pediatric medicine.

Rachael Palmer (W’16) is from Montgomery County, PA majoring in Economics with a concentration in Journalism and Production Management and a minor in Africana Studies. As a Fox Fellow, she worked at the National Urban League headquarters in New York City. Rachel worked in the Education and Youth Development division where she assisted with the planning, logistics, and implementation of the Annual Youth Leadership Summit. At Penn Rachel is on the executive board for her sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, and she is a facilitator for the Fellowship for Building Intercultural Communities (FBIC).

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MICHAL SNYDER (C’15) is a Psychology major from Philadelphia. Michal’s Fellowship gave her the opportunity to combine two of her favorite things, cooking and working with children. She implemented a cooking program at Comegys Elementary School, where she worked with middle school students cooking nutritious snacks for their peers. At Penn, Michal is involved in Big Brothers Big Sisters and is a member of the Orthodox Community at Penn (OCP) volunteer committee. Michal wants to pursue a career in medicine.

ABIGAIL STARKER (C’17) is a Political Science, and Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies major from Abington, PA. As a Fox Fellow in the Marketing and Communications Department at Girls Inc. in New York, she managed the Girls Inc. social media accounts, wrote op-eds, created language for the newest Girls Inc. campaign, and led weekly meetings. At Penn, Abbie is a member of CityStep, a student-run organization that introduces public school youth to dance as an outlet for creative self-expression and a tool for building self-esteem. Abbie is also an active member of the UPenn Vagina Monologues.

CHASE STAUB (FELS’15) is a Masters of Public Administration student from Gainesville, GA. As a Fellow, Chase completed research on the implementation of the Affordable Care Act. Chase’s focus was on the Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP), and his research was among the first in the nation to identify the obstacles regarding SHOP’s implementation. Chase also worked at Emory University’s Center for Community Partnerships with a team of undergraduate and graduate students to implement a community development initiative in DeKalb County, GA. At Penn, he works as a graduate assistant for housing to promote the academic success and personal health of freshman students. After graduation, Chase plans to continue working in undergraduate admissions while also pursuing a career in the field of social impact investing.

AARON WOLFF (C’17) an undeclared student in the College of Arts and Sciences, is from Great Neck, NY. He is considering a major in Economic History. As a Fox Fellow, Aaron worked for the Collegium Institute, a scholarly foundation dedicated to fostering the humanities and in particular the Catholic intellectual tradition. He helped to organize events and helped develop several programs, including a summer program for high school students, a college reading group and a Collegium Fellows program. At Penn, he is the co-director of Marketing and Outreach for Giving What We Can: Penn, and a writer for IMPACT Magazine.

ROBERT A. FOX UNDERGRADUATE OR ALUMNI RESEARCH AND SERVICE FELLOWSHIPS

KENYA ANDERSON (C’14) graduated from Penn with a major in Communications and a double minor in Cinema Studies and Psychology. She is from New Orleans, LA. As a Fox Fellow, she worked with Dr. Stephanie Boddie on “The Ward: Race and Class in Du Bois’ Seventh Ward”, an oral history consisting of documentary-style interviews with senior residents of the surrounding Philadelphia neighborhood. At Penn, she served as a teacher, mentor, and marketing producer of CityStep, and as a campaign manager for Cross Culture Marketing Group. She now works with the integrated marketing team at Disney-ABC Television Group in New York.

LAURA BANOS (FELS’14) is from Pittsburgh, PA. She completed her Master of Public Administration with a Certificate in Nonprofit Administration at the Fels Institute of Government. During her Fellowship, Laura tracked the implementation of the Affordable Care Act by following key decisions at the state and federal level. While at Fels, Laura was a graduate associate in Riepe College House and coordinated the Mentors Program with Powel Elementary School. Before coming to Fels, she earned her Bachelors of Arts in Anthropology and Sociology at Lehigh University.

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ISHITA BATRA (C’17) is majoring in Economics and Computer Science. She is from New Delhi, India. During the spring semester, Ishita worked at Henry C. Lea School as a Fox Fellow in partnership with Agatston Urban Nutrition Initiative. She met bi-weekly with a team of twelve students from grades 7-8 to set up a fruit stand business within the school while encouraging students to eat healthily. At Penn, Ishita is a mentor for CIS 110: Introduction to Computer Science. She is also a member of the International Students Advisory Board and is the marketing chair for the Penn Consortium of Undergraduate Women.

ANA BAUTISTA (W’16) is concentrating in Marketing and Finance and is originally from Jacksonville, FL. Ana has been on the board of the Penn Catholic Student Association since her freshman year and has served as its president. With her Fellowship, Ana served the West Philadelphia community, partnering with West Catholic High School to create college application mentoring workshops and a tutoring program. She has also organized social, service, and spiritual events, including Ignatian Leadership retreats, volunteer events at soup kitchens, ministry to the homeless, and monthly dinners for the Catholic community. Ana is also involved in the Penn Social Entrepreneurship Movement as the Think Tank co-chair, and is in the Civic Scholar program.

ALYSSA BONNELL (C’14) originally from Princeton, NJ, graduated from Penn with a major in Health and Societies and minors in Biology and Nutrition. As a Fellow, Alyssa worked with the Agatston Urban Nutrition Initiative to coordinate the development of an after-school nutrition and cooking program. The program is designed to teach participants how to lead healthy lives, despite social and economic challenges. At Penn, Alyssa also engaged in public health research investigating the health of underserved urban neighborhoods with an emphasis on adolescent nutrition. Alyssa plans to attend medical school.

MAGGIE BUFF (C’14) graduated from Penn with a major in Health and Societies. She is from Brooklyn, NY. Maggie served as president of the Penn Catholic Student Association (PCSA). PCSA is a faith-based service group that provides students with opportunities to engage in community service at Penn and in Philadelphia. Her PCSA projects included freshmen tutoring and college guidance programs at West Catholic High School, serving meals at a local homeless shelter, and fundraisers for various causes. Maggie is currently serving in the Jesuit Volunteer Corp in Kansas City, Missouri, where she works as a family advocate at a Head Start day care center.

NICOLE CONE (C’14) graduated from Penn with a major in Communications from the Annenberg School. She is originally from Miami, FL. As a Fellow for the Du Bois’ Oral History Project, Nicole documented the stories of older members of the African American community in Philadelphia. The goal of the Oral History Project is to use audio and video equipment to record lesser known stories of Philadelphia’s history, particularly in the 1950s and 60s. Nicole is currently in the Page Program, a one year rotational program at NBCUniversal in New York. While at Penn, Nicole was a Posse scholar and president of American Arts Alliance.

JESSICA GARCIA (W’17) is majoring in Business Economics and Public Policy in the Wharton School. She is from Monterrey, Mexico. During her Fellowship, Jessica worked at the Collegium Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture, where she helped market events that featured guest faculty from different universities, with the intent of fostering the liberal tradition of the humanities. She also helped expand the Institute’s stock of video lectures. At Penn, Jessica is involved in the International Affairs Association, where she works as an Under-Secretary General for the Ivy League Model United Nations. She is also vice president of External Relations for Mexico Students at Penn, and serves as liaison between her group and other Latino student organizations.
MORGAN JONES (FELS’15) originally from Tunkhannock, PA, holds a Bachelor’s degree from NYU and a Master’s degree from Lehigh University. Her Fox fellowship allowed her to pursue research regarding the implementation of the Affordable Care Act in Pennsylvania with an emphasis on the extent to which the law facilitates affordability for low-income residents. In addition to her Fox Fellowship, she conducts research and consulting services for government entities committed to improving the design and delivery of their services, including the City of Philadelphia.

GRACE KUNAS (C’15) is a Biology major from Madison, NJ. As a Fox Fellow, Grace is currently serving a one-year term as Chief of Penn’s Medical Emergency Response Team (MERT). A member since her freshman year, Grace oversees 70 student volunteer emergency medical technicians (EMT). Under her leadership, MERT expanded its coverage to include 24-hour weekend shifts and significantly increased community outreach. An active EMT since age 16, Grace volunteers for her hometown first aid squad and is employed as an EMT with a large regional health system. At Penn, Grace’s affiliations and memberships include the Student Health Advisory Board, the Ski Team, and Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity. After graduation, Grace plans to attend medical school.

VICTORIA MARTIN (W’15) is an Operations and Information Management major and French Studies minor from Madison, NJ. As the co-president of Girl Scouts at Penn, Victoria plans and executes educational and recreational events for Girl Scouts in the Philadelphia area. The events give young women confidence to shape their own futures, and expose them to a variety of topics from science and technology to world hunger. Victoria is also an ambassador for Penn Abroad, where she serves as a peer counselor and campus advocate for study abroad opportunities. Victoria contributes to a health and fitness column to The WALK, Penn’s fashion magazine.

AMANDA MAURI (C’14) graduated from Penn with a major in Health and Societies and a double minor in Spanish and Latin American and Latino Studies. She is from Philadelphia. As a Fox Fellow, Amanda worked for the Agatston Urban Nutrition Initiative (AUNI) as the fruit stand director. AUNI’s Fruit Stand program is an experiential learning program where students prepare, market and sell fresh fruit to their school community. As fruit stand director, Amanda oversaw the student-run fruit stands in West Philadelphia, helped run several fruit stands at Lea Elementary School, and coordinated students in academically-based community service classes. At Penn, Amanda was a PennQuest leader and a research assistant to Stephen Fried.

KATHRYN MCCARTHY (FELS’15) is receiving her master’s in Public Administration from the Fels Institute of Government. She is originally from Glen Rock, NJ. Kathryn’s Fox Fellowship allowed her to conduct extensive research on the challenges surrounding the early implementation of the Affordable Care Act in Pennsylvania. At Penn, Kathryn serves as the alumni relations manager for Fels and is a high performing team consultant for Wharton Executive Education. She also works as an associate consultant at Fels Consulting, where she engages with nonprofit organizations and local governments to offer innovative solutions to complex community issues. Kathryn received a Bachelor’s degree in Political Science and History from Bucknell University.
TESS MULLEN (FELS’13) is from Dallas, TX. During her Fellowship, Tess measured and tracked the implementation of the Affordable Care Act in Pennsylvania. Previously, Tess helped write publications exploring how elected officials and civic entrepreneurs can work together to build healthy urban communities. She also completed a study of the economic impact of affordable-housing development in West Philadelphia, and examined best practices in management for state cabinet secretaries. Prior to attending Fels, Tess worked in Congress for nearly six years, most recently as communications director for U.S. Rep. Jason Altmire of Pennsylvania. She received her B.A. in English from Harvard College.

MARK PARASKEVAS (C’17) is a History major from Queens, NY. As a Fox Fellow, he worked with Reverend Dr. Wilson Goode, Sr., the first black mayor of Philadelphia, writing a history of African-American politics in the City of Philadelphia. His job included analyzing primary sources, and conducting interviews with the city’s African-American politicians. At Penn, Mark is also a music editor of 34th Street Magazine and the fundraising director of the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity.

MAXWELL PRESSER (C’14) graduated with a degree in Health & Societies and Korean, and is a native of Elkins Park, PA. He enrolled in the MERT-sponsored emergency medical technician course during the spring of his freshman year, and he was an active member of MERT throughout his time at Penn. Following a one-semester term as MERT’s social chair in 2011, Maxwell continued to serve on the 2012 Executive Board as the training officer, developing and leading weekly medical trainings for MERT’s 70+ members. Maxwell served as the Chief of MERT in 2013, working to oversee both the internal and external operations of the organization. He currently works as a pharmaceutical consultant in New York and plans to attend medical school.

MIKECIA WITHERSPOON (FELS ’15) is pursuing a Masters in Public Administration at the Fels Institute of Government. She is from Philadelphia and attended Bryn Mawr College as an undergraduate student. As a Fox Fellow, Mikecia worked with Reverend Dr. Wilson Goode Sr., the first Black mayor of Philadelphia, on a text chronicling the history of black politics in the city from 1951 to the present. At Penn, Mikecia is communications director of Women of Fels, a student group committed to facilitating the professional development and personal growth of women in the public sector by building an exceptional network of Public Administration graduate students and alumni. She is also a member of Penn’s women’s club volleyball team.

ROBERT A. FOX AND PENNY FOX ALUMNI RESEARCH AND SERVICE FELLOWSHIPS

GABRIELLE ALICINO (C’13) graduated from Penn with a major in Urban Studies and a minor in Urban Education. She is from North Brunswick, NJ. As a Fox Fellow in New Orleans, Gabrielle is working at Providence Community Housing, a nonprofit developer. She coordinates NEWCITY Neighborhood Partnership, a coalition of over 100 community partners that facilitates investment and collaboration in the Tremé neighborhood, an area that has received over $4.5 billion in investments since Hurricane Katrina. Gabrielle also works as the education coordinator for Providence residents, working to secure slots in high performing charter schools for Tremé residents.

ELLYN BARKLEY (C’13) graduated from Penn with a major in Architecture and a minor in Art History. Originally from Colorado Springs, CO, Ellyn is in the second year of her Fox Fellowship working with Partners for Sacred Places in Chicago, IL. She works on a variety of projects including strategic investment, demographic research and community development. Her work is centered on transforming data into concrete plans for action. While at Penn, Ellyn was a four year member of the varsity volleyball team, both as a player and a coach.
HOPE LOZANO BIELAT (C’02) graduated from Penn with a degree in Political Science. She is originally from Philadelphia. Hope earned a Masters in Public Policy with a concentration in International Security from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. She is completing her Ph.D. in Political Science from Boston University. She received a Fox Fellowship in support of her final year of dissertation writing. Her dissertation, entitled *The Transnational Religious Leader, Regime Change, and State Sovereignty: The Unlikely Case Comparison of Pope John Paul II and Abdullah Yusuf Azzam*, examines the effect of religious leaders upon international affairs. Her research interests focus upon the intersection of international relations and religion.

NELLIE CATZEN (C’13) is originally from Baltimore, MD. After transferring to Penn as a sophomore, she majored in Health and Societies with a concentration in Environmental Health. As a Fox Fellow, Nellie is working as a project coordinator at Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of New Orleans. Now in the second year of her Fellowship, Nellie’s main project is to create and implement a restructured Refugee Services program to bolster support for refugees, while better leveraging staff and volunteer resources. At Penn, Nellie was involved with the Agatston Urban Nutrition Initiative (AUNI). In New Orleans, she remains active in the food movement through volunteering, and aspires to become the leader of a nonprofit organization after her Fellowship.

LOREN KOLE (C’14) majored in Visual Studies with a concentration in Art in Practice. She is from Chicago, IL. As a Fox Fellow, Loren is working at Partners for Sacred Places in Chicago, where she has worked on a variety of projects including demographic and organizational research, training curriculum evaluation, and the Food in Sacred Places Initiative. At Penn, Loren served as co-chair of the Civic House Associates Coalition; as the finance director of Alternate Spring Break; and helped to found the Student Run Emergency Housing Unit.

BRIAN ROSENWALD (C’06) graduated from Penn with majors in Political Science and History. Brian grew up in Wynnewood, PA. Currently, he is a seventh year history Ph.D. candidate at the University of Virginia. As a Fox Fellow he will teach classes on public policy, work with students, and complete his dissertation, *Mount Rushmore: The Rise of Talk Radio and Its Impact on Politics and Public Policy*. Brian’s dissertation covers the development of conservative talk radio between 1988 and 2010, the political and policy impact of this new medium, and the way in which the left tried to grapple with it.

CLAIRE SHIMBERG (C’14) graduated from Penn with a major in Urban Studies and a minor in Hispanic Studies. She is originally from Tampa, FL. As an undergraduate Fox Fellow, Claire worked with the Committee of Seventy on voter education resources and its 2014 Election Protection Program. As an alumna Fox Fellow, she is working at the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism in Washington, DC as a legislative assistant. Her portfolio includes civil rights, voting rights, criminal justice, foreign policy, and foreign aid. Claire will represent the Reform Movement on Capitol Hill and in coalitions, monitor legislation, and run educational programming for high school students and clergy. While at Penn, Claire was the vice president of Penn Hillel and a tour guide for the admissions office.

WILL SMITH (C’14) graduated from Penn with a major in History and a minor in Political Science. He is from New Brighton, PA. As a Fox Fellow, he is studying faith-based nonprofit organizations in Philadelphia, and is preparing a report on the social and human services offered by the Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Other research includes studying the halo effects of Catholic parishes in Philadelphia. As an undergraduate, Will chaired Penn’s Undergraduate Assembly as its Speaker, and was a two-year RA in Fisher-Hassenfeld College House for the Politics, Policy, and Social Change Residential Program.
ISABELLE SUN (C’13) graduated with a double major in English, and Philosophy, Politics, and Economics. She is from Rockville, MD. As a Fox Fellow, Isabelle works at Covenant House, a safe haven for homeless, runaway, and at-risk youth in New Orleans. She manages a number of projects, including an online case management system, policy and advocacy on behalf of youth, community collaborations with service partners, and the coordination of new program initiatives. At Penn, Isabelle competed on the Mock Trial Team, managed the PPE undergraduate journal (SPICE), and served as a teacher and executive producer of CityStep. After the Fellowship, Isabelle plans to enroll in Harvard Law School to pursue a career in the public interest.

SHARREE WALLS (C’13) graduated with a degree in Urban Studies. She is from Chicago, IL. As a Fox Fellow, Sharree is in her second year as the assistant to the president and CEO of the YMCA of Greater New Orleans. Her duties include developing marketing systems and processes, researching and implementing best practice models in key areas of operations, and assisting fundraising efforts for an association-wide capital campaign. She works with the Y’s executive leadership team and the leadership teams at each branch. At Penn, Sharree served on the executive board of the Social Planning Events Committee (SPEC) and as a speaking advisor through Communication within the Curriculum (CWiC).

ABIGAIL WORTHEN (C’14) graduated from Penn with a major in Health and Societies and a minor in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations. She is originally from Denver, CO. Abigail is serving as a Fox Fellow at Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans (CCANO). Her projects include researching and producing a comprehensive history of CCANO’s services during and since Hurricane Katrina, and working for the Health Guardians program, helping to offer medical, behavioral, and social care coordination for high-need patients with chronic illnesses. At Penn, Abby was a Fox Undergraduate Research and Service Fellow at the Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger, and volunteered with Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society Pennsylvania and the Philadelphia Animal Welfare Society (PAWS).
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