

The Department of Political Science at Texas A&M University is inviting undergraduate students to apply for a two-day Political Science Data Workshop to be held on January 8-9, 2020. Attendees will have hands-on experience learning how to manage, visualize, analyze and interpret social science data in Stata. Under the guidance of an instructor and graduate student assistants, participants will work with sample datasets, solve practice problems, and develop skills to apply to their own research projects. Attendees will also have the opportunity to learn about current research in political science and meet with TAMU political science faculty. There will also be an opportunity to learn more about graduate school and how to apply.

At the end of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Input data into Stata software
- Recode and visualize data
- Run regressions and assess model fit
- Engage in critical thinking about how model results can be used to evaluate a policies or other effects
- Gain a better understanding of graduate programs and careers applying a political science degree

All materials and meals will be covered for accepted applicants. There will also be opportunities for travel stipends for those coming from outside of the BCS area.

Please contact Dr. Brittany Perry ([bnperry@tamu.edu](mailto:bnperry@tamu.edu)) with any questions about this opportunity.

#### **Eligibility:**

All undergraduates with an interest in political science research are welcome to apply. It is preferred that students have passed an introductory research methods course (this is POLS 209 at TAMU or an equivalent).

We **strongly encourage** applications from students from traditionally underrepresented groups in political science. This includes women, LGBTQ+, first generation students and students of color. Please note that Texas A&M University is committed to enriching the learning and working environment for all visitors, students, faculty, and staff by promoting a culture that embraces inclusion, diversity, equity, and accountability. Diverse perspectives, talents, and identities are vital to accomplishing our mission and living our core values.

#### **Application Materials:**

Applications are due by **October 4, 2019** and must include:

- A resume or CV
- An unofficial college transcript
- One letter of recommendation
- Application form (below)

Application form

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a first-generation college student?

If you are not living in Bryan/College Station, will you be applying for a travel stipend?

Briefly explain **why** you would like to participate in this data workshop.

What research questions within political science interest you most?

What are your plans after graduation?

What questions do *you* have about data science or graduate programs in political science?