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## APSA Information Exchange Project

As part of its effort to improve scientific information exchange in the discipline, the Association recently initiated a project to develop a thesaurus for political science.

The thesaurus is being designed to serve as a vocabulary base for computerized information retrieval systems, where traditional indexing systems are incapable of guiding secondary bibliographic searches. It is the first step in a program sequence that would eventually lead to a vastly improved abstracting service for the discipline as well as a system for machine-searching and individualized dissemination of information.

The development of the thesaurus is being carried out for the Association at the University Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh, under the direction of Carl Beck. A five-man APSA Advisory Committee, chaired by Robert E. Lane, Yale, and including as members Samuel Patterson, Iowa, Kenneth Janda, Northwestern, Stein Rokkan, IPSA, and Richard Hofstetter, Ohio State, is responsible for overall direction of the project, which is expected to be completed in one year.

Work is supported under a contract with the National Science Foundation.

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## Black Graduate Fellowships

The Association has announced twenty-five winners in the competition for the 1972-73 Black Graduate Fellowships in Political Science.

The winners include five Fellows to receive scholarships of \$3,600 for the academic year 1972-73 to attend the university of their choice and twenty non-funded fellows. The non-funded fellows have been recommended to graduate departments of political science as deserving of consideration for fellowships or other financial assistance.

The selections were made by the Committee on Fellowships of the Committee on the Status of Blacks composed of Robert Martin, Chairman, Howard University, Twiley W. Barker, University of Illinois-Chicago Circle, Herbert Sapp, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and Nathaniel Tillman, Olive-Harvey College.

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## APSA Black Graduate Fellows

### *Funded Fellows*

**Tamara Collins**, Vassar College  
**Claude Dixon, III**, West Georgia College  
**Frank Holmes, III**, Tennessee State University  
**Lewis C. Horne, Jr.**, Dartmouth College  
**Larry White**, Tuskegee Institute

### *Non-Funded Fellows*

**William B. Alston**, Fayetteville State University  
**Carlence Austin**, Cheyney State College  
**James M. Borden**, North Carolina Central University  
**Ann J. Bush**, Tennessee State University  
**Clarence H. Curry, Jr.**, Henderson State College  
**Mary F. Derrick**, Florida A & M University  
**Barbara A. Dolphus**, Fisk University  
**Earl Green, Jr.**, Tennessee State University  
**Charles L. Jones**, Antioch College  
**Sherry R. Layton**, Spelman College  
**Eugenia A. Lucas**, Howard University  
**Gloria J. Moody**, Texas Southern University  
**Gail Peek**, City College of New York  
**Adolph L. Reed, Jr.**, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
**Dennis Robinson**, Queens College  
**George T. Russell**, University of the Pacific  
**Keith C. Simmonds**, College of the Virgin Islands  
**Duane R. Taylor**, Bowdoin College  
**Derek C. Wheeler**, Dartmouth College  
**Ernest J. Wilson, III**, Harvard College

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## Congressional Fellowship Program

The Association has announced 15 winners in the national competition for the 1972-73 Congressional Fellowship Program.

The winners—eight political scientists, six journalists, and one law professor—will come to the Nation's Capitol for a year of full-time work in the offices of Senators and Members of the House of Representatives.

Each winner will receive a minimum stipend of \$6,500 for the year. The Program is financed by a Ford Foundation grant, and services of the Fellows are free of charge to the Congressional offices in which they work.

Sponsored by the Association since 1953, the purpose of the Congressional Fellowship Program is to give outstanding young academicians and political journalists an opportunity to further their

knowledge of the national legislative process. Other participants for the 1972-73 Congressional Fellowship Program, Asian Fellows, Harkness Fellows, and Federal Service Fellows, will be named later in the year.

The Congressional Fellows are scheduled to arrive here in mid-November for a three week orientation period. They will begin working in Congressional offices of their choice about December 15, 1972. The Program ends August 15, 1973.

The 15 winners were selected on the basis of superior academic training and experience. Final selections were made by an Advisory Committee made up of top government officials, Washington newsmen, and political scientists.

#### Political Scientists

**Stanley Bach**, 26, Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of Massachusetts.

**Stephen H. Balch**, 28, Lecturer in Political Science, Rutgers College.

**Herschelle S. Challenor**, 33, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Brooklyn College, and Research Fellow, Adlai Stevenson Institute of International Affairs.

**Charles P. Henry**, 24, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Chicago.

**Glenn R. Parker**, 26, Ph.D. Candidate, University of California, Santa Barbara.

**Arthur J. Reiger**, 29, Project Development Coordinator in Housing, New York Urban Coalition and Ph.D. Candidate, Cornell Univ.

**David W. Rohde**, 27, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Michigan State University.

**John L. Sullivan**, 26, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Statistics, Iowa State University.

#### Journalists

**Judith A. Brody**, 26, Education Reporter, *Boston Globe*.

**Ray Flanagan**, 29, General Assignment Reporter, *Scranton Tribune*.

**Daniel J. Foley**, 29, Bureau Chief, Lee Newspapers, Helena, Montana.

**Kenneth R. Lamke**, 30, City Hall Reporter, *Milwaukee Sentinel*.

**Mary Ellen Perry**, 31, Reporter, *Berkeley Post*.

**Anne B. Zill**, 30, Producer, Special Series, WUHY-FM and Free Lance Correspondent.

#### Law School Faculty

**Thomas R. White, 3rd**, 33, Professor of Law, University of Virginia Law School.

#### Hedlund Report

At its recent meeting the Advisory Committee of the Congressional Fellowship Program received and reviewed an *evaluation report on the Program* prepared by Ronald D. Hedlund of the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. The report "Participant Observation in Studying Congress: The Congressional Fellowship Program," is based on an extensive questionnaire to former Congressional Fellows and interviews with program participants. The Hedlund report is the first major evaluation of the program since the 1964 program evaluation by Everett Cataldo and copies of it are available without charge by writing to the Association.

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#### APSA Elementary and Secondary Curriculum Development Program

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The Association through its Committee on Pre-Collegiate Education recently received a grant from the National Science Foundation to establish a Political Science Course Content Improvement Project for Elementary and Secondary Schools. The project will consist of two components: One, the *High School Political Science Curriculum Project*, will develop instructional materials for use in senior high school civics and government courses. The other, the *Elementary School Political Science Curriculum Study Project*, will undertake a study of political science education in elementary schools (K-6) and, on the basis of this study, will develop a set of guidelines for the production of new instructional materials and media for grades kindergarten through six.

The materials produced by the high school project and eventually by the elementary school project will be conceptually oriented, interdisciplinary in content, and focused upon perennial problems and universal experiences in the political life of mankind. They will be designed to be used either in conjunction with existing curricula or as new programs in political science education.

This APSA Project is co-directed by Howard E. Mehlinger of Indiana University and Richard C. Snyder of Ohio State University. Work on the high school project will be carried on at the Social Studies Development Center, Indiana University.