The Eccles Graduate Fellowship in Political Economy was established by an endowment by Marriner S. Eccles, the first chairman of the Federal Reserve Board. The Marriner S. Eccles Fellowship is for full-time graduate students pursuing research in banking, business, education, finance, humanities, law, social sciences, and exploring the impact of their research on relationships among politics, public policy and the economy.

PURPOSE
The Graduate School at the University of Utah annually awards Marriner S. Eccles Graduate Fellowships to enable graduate students to pursue advanced research projects in fields relating to political economy. Students awarded the Eccles fellowship (without distraction of employment) will direct their efforts to research in political economy and its impact on public policy, as well as to their other academic studies.

ELIGIBILITY
The committee for the Marriner S. Eccles Graduate Fellowship in Political Economy at the University of Utah annually awards the Eccles Graduate Fellowship for study in areas related to political economy and public policy. The fellowship is $16,000 plus tuition for the regular academic year. Formal admission to the Graduate School and a graduate program is a requisite of the award.

The Eccles Graduate Fellowship is open to University of Utah graduate students who are U.S. citizens and hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, and are pursuing advanced degrees in subjects of major public concern. Students may neither be employed full-time nor accept other fellowships while an Eccles fellow. Under unusual circumstances, a student may engage in a modest amount of teaching or research activity closely related to his/her studies. Such activity must not prolong the normal time required to complete the Eccles research proposal, and it must not impede the academic excellence and progress expected of an Eccles fellow. If a student applying for the Eccles Fellowship desires to engage in this additional activity, an explanatory statement must accompany the Marriner S. Eccles Fellowship application and must state:

a. Why the teaching or work experience is essential at this time;
b. How this experience will not interfere with the fulfillment of the conditions of the Eccles Fellowship; and
c. How the teaching or work experience will not exceed (preferably less) 10 hours weekly.

The Eccles Selection Committee invites research proposals from University students with advanced, superior projects. Applicants are judged on personal and academic qualifications as well as the strength and appropriateness of their proposals. Fellowships possibly may be renewed based on exemplary progress with demonstrated evidence that the research proposal is being carried to fruition.

Complete applications must be submitted electronically by Friday, January 9, 2015. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The electronic application can be accessed from the Graduate School website: http://gradschool.utah.edu/tbp/graduate-fellowship-opportunities/. Awards are announced prior to April 15. The Marriner S. Eccles Graduate Fellowship requires the recipient to be a full-time, fully matriculated student in good standing at the University for both fall and spring semesters of the fellowship year.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 9, 2015

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