

Brandeis University

Frederick M. Lawrence President Professor of Politics

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Dear Colleagues,

I write to seek your assistance and that of your faculty colleagues in identifying qualified individuals for the first Richman Distinguished Fellow in Public Life at Brandeis University, who will visit the campus for two to three days during the 2013-2014 academic year. The Fellowship carries a stipend of \$25,000.

Individuals appointed as a Richman Distinguished Fellow in Public Life will be active in American public life and will have a record of accomplishments and contributions that have had a significant impact on improving American society, strengthening democratic institutions, advancing social justice, or increasing opportunities for all citizens to realize and share the promise of the United States. Richman Fellows are expected to spend two to three days on campus meeting with students and faculty, and participating in other appropriate activities such as public talks, interviews, and class discussions.

Candidates for appointment as the Richman Distinguished Fellow in Public Life must be formally nominated. Nominations must include the name, address, current affiliation and contact information for the nominator. Nominations must also include a narrative of no more than 1,000 words explaining the rationale for the nominee's selection. Nominations may be submitted by letter or online.

Nominations must be received by March 1, 2013 for candidates to be considered for appointment as the Richman Distinguished Fellow in Public Life during the academic year immediately following. Nominations should be mailed to:

Richman Distinguished Fellow in Public Life Committee Brandeis University 415 South Street, MS 122 Waltham, MA 02453.

The online nomination form is available on the Richman Fellow website at www.brandeis.edu/richmanfellow.

Kind regards.

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RICHMAN DISTINGUISHED FELLOW IN PUBLIC LIFE

Recognizing individuals who have improved American society, strengthened democratic institutions, advanced social justice or increased opportunities for all Americans to share in the benefits of this nation.



THE RICHMAN DISTINGUISHED FELLOW IN PUBLIC LIFE AT BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

The Richman Distinguished Fellow in Public Life was proposed by Brandeis alumna Dr. Carol Richman Saivetz in honor of her parents, Fred and Rita Richman, and created through the generosity of the Richman/Saivetz family. Richman Fellows are selected from among individuals active in public life whose contributions have had a significant impact on improving American society, strengthening democratic institutions, advancing social justice or increasing opportunities for all citizens to realize and share in the benefits of this nation.

Appointment as a Richman Fellow includes an honorarium of \$25,000 and requires the selected individual to spend two to three days on the Brandeis campus in Waltham, Mass., at some point during the academic year. Fellows will meet with students and faculty and participate in other activities appropriate to the accomplishments that define the individual's appointment as a Richman Fellow.

Founded in 1948 to embody the highest ethical and cultural values, Brandeis is the youngest private research university in the United States and the only nonsectarian university in the nation founded by members of the American Jewish community. Named for the late U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Louis Dembitz Brandeis, the university celebrates a commitment to academic excellence, social justice, nonsectarianism, service to the Jewish community, and diversity, and it strives to reflect the heterogeneity of the United States and of the world community. While Brandeis maintains a special relationship with the Jewish community, it is not affiliated with any religious organization, offers no theological instruction and welcomes students, faculty and staff of every nationality, religion and political orientation.

//// ABOUT BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY ///////

Brandeis University is a private, coeducational and nonsectarian institution of higher learning and research located in Waltham, Mass., a few miles west of Boston. Its 3,200 undergraduates and 2,000 graduate students are drawn from 50 states and more than 100 countries. Its faculty of 360 includes nationally and internationally recognized teachers, scholars and researchers.

The research interests of Brandeis faculty members span a wide range of disciplines in the sciences, social sciences, humanities and creative arts. Brandeis is a member of the Association of American Universities, which represents the leading research institutions in North America.

The university's principal units are the undergraduate College of Arts and Sciences, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, the Heller School for Social Policy and Management, the Brandeis International Business School and the Rabb School of Continuing Studies. Brandeis' longstanding tradition of interdisciplinary research both fosters a remarkable record of achievement and enables the faculty to leverage the relatively small size of the university to achieve an impact well beyond the sum of its parts.

The university's mission is embodied in its values of academic excellence, diversity, nonsectarianism, service to the Jewish community, and social justice. The concern with social justice speaks to the core educational commitments of the university and seeks to spark creative thinking about complex social problems, challenging students to articulate their own value commitments in a spirit of constructive debate.

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