Duke Initiative for Science & Society invites applications for the 2017-2018 Law, Science & Technology Post-doctoral Fellowship. This fellowship is intended for individuals with a doctoral degree (JD, PhD, MD, DPhil) who are interested in an academic or policy career working on issues in science and society, with a particular interest in the legal, ethical, and social implications of science and technology.

The Duke Initiative for Science & Society:

The Duke Initiative for Science & Society is an interdisciplinary initiative that examines the wide-ranging and integral role of science in social institutions and culture. Science & Society integrates and fosters innovation in related research, education, and engagement at Duke by adopting a pluralistic approach to understanding how science and human endeavors intersect with a specific focus on ethical, legal, and social implications for science. For more information, visit our website at http://www.scienceandsociety.duke.edu.

The Fellowship:

The Law, Science & Technology Fellowship is a residential fellowship that provides an opportunity to become involved in the activities of Science & Society and Duke University, while pursuing independent scholarship at the intersection of law, science, technology, and society. Candidates are offered a one-year position, with a possibility of renewal for a second one-year position. Fellows dedicate approximately one third of their time to supporting the activities of Science & Society, such as our science policy tracking website (SciPol.duke.edu), Amicus Lab and speaker series, one third of their time engaged in teaching opportunities, and one third of their time on independent and/or collaborative research. Fellows are provided with office space, a competitive stipend, and benefits. Applicants should have a JD or other doctoral level degree (MD, PhD) in a relevant area. A law degree is a significant advantage, but is not a requirement.

Fellowship Responsibilities:

- Complete at least one mentored research project which culminates in a manuscript of publishable quality
- Participate in bioethics conferences, workshops, and seminars as appropriate
- Engage in teaching related to science, law & technology, such as the master’s program colloquium class “Contemporary Issues in Bioethics & Science Policy” and/or the Amicus Lab
- Help plan and implement Science & Society workshops and events, including the Distinguished Speaker Series and the Science & Society Dialogues
- Contribute to “SciPol” (sciencepolicy.duke.edu) and the Amicus Lab
- Support the work of Science & Society, including research, education, and engagement
- Complete other tasks as requested

The Application Process:

Applicants should submit a CV, college and graduate school transcripts, contact information for three references, a writing sample, and a research proposal (in 2000 words or less) to Science & Society
(scienceandsociety@duke.edu). The subject line of the email application should read “Application 2017 Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program”. Applications must be received no later than 5 p.m. on March 20, 2017. Fellows will be chosen based on demonstrated academic merit, likelihood of future success in academia or science policy, and on strength of their research proposals. Decisions will be made by April 15, 2017.

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