Baker Center Global Security Post-Doctoral Fellowship

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Global Security Program – Conflict Processes

The Center’s Global Security Program has two main tracks: Nuclear Security and Conflict Processes. The Conflict Processes track focuses on war, crises, international and civil conflict resolution, territorial and maritime disputes, piracy, terrorism and other political violence, foreign policy and US national security policy. This track hosts brownbag talks by UT faculty and graduate students, a series of visiting lectures on different aspects of global security and foreign policy, and a biannual conference on some aspect of prevention, management, and resolution of international conflicts, civil wars, and terrorism and other political violence.

Position Summary

Fellows will spend a year working full time at the Baker Center, starting in August 2016, with a possible extension for an additional year. During their time at the Center, Fellows will conduct independent research on topics related to international security issues with an expectation of producing several journal article length manuscripts or a book manuscript. Fellows are encouraged to work with Political Science and other faculty, and are expected to involve themselves in the activities of the Baker Center, present their research at least once a semester, and to participate in the Global Security lecture series. Participants will receive an annual stipend of $40,000 and individual health insurance.

Eligibility and How to Apply:

Applicants must be recent Ph.D. recipients in a social science field, preferably Political Science (within the last 3 years), and specialize in some aspect of global security issues, preferably in the area of conflict processes. To apply, email a cover letter outlining the planned research and expectations about a topic in the area of global security and how the research project fits with the work being done at the Baker Center, a CV, and a list of 3 references to Dr. Krista Wiegand at kwiegand@utk.edu by March 1, 2016.