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Summer 2018	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fall 2018	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Winter 2019	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Spring 2019	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Project Title	Knowing Citizens: Privacy, Secrecy, and the Rule of Law
Project Description	<p>This is an ongoing project in which students do hands-on research investigating the implications of government privacy and secrecy for the rule of law. The student who works this summer will focus on analyzing document productions from ongoing FOIA litigation associated with several research publications, including one arguing for changes in Constitutional requirements for legal representation in deportation hearings; another on the significance of the U.S. government's use of Northwestern's Qatar campus; a third on private prison contracts with Immigrations and Customs Enforcement; and a fourth on the role of weapons trade in corroding academic independence in the United States and elsewhere. Past Farrell Fellow research has resulted in research published and in progress on immigration judge misconduct, the unlawful deportation of U.S. citizens, and dollar per day payments to those in custody under immigration laws, in violation of labor laws. Students also see up close the connections among research, scholarship, and media attention. The Clinic's work has been published in top tier law and research journals and has been covered in the national media; the website students maintain is regularly linked to by journalists and other scholars.</p>
Position Expectations	<p>Students will file, track, and assist in litigating requests under FOIA; perform original legal research using academic legal databases; and conduct independent research. Ideally, students will be able to post FOIA responses online. HTML and Excel may be required but can be learned on the job. Depending on interest and writing skills, students also may co-author research articles.</p>
Skills/Experience Required	<p>The most important skills needed are the ability to work independently and to be persistent in acquiring information. In addition, students will need good communication skills. Basic expertise in simple statistical analysis and graph production also may be required for one position.</p>
What Will the FF Gain?	<p>Students will develop professional level research and investigative skills, including knowledge of databases and techniques useful for further scholarly research and investigative journalism. Students</p>

may work teams during the academic year and will learn how to effectively divide and coordinate work with others.

**Time
Requirement**

40 hours/week for the summer (1 student); 5 hours/week for the school year for two students (10 hours total). Ideally the student who works during the summer will continue to work 5 hrs/week during the academic year.
