

Mason Soneral Faculty Fellow

Position Summary

The Women's Leadership Institute (WLI) is recruiting a Mason Soneral Faculty Fellow to assist the Director in advancing the mission and impact of the Institute through innovative curricular, mentoring, and outreach activities. This role is intended for faculty who demonstrate a passion for leadership development and supporting WLI's mission.

The Fellow will work closely with the Director to implement programming, curriculum, events, student recruitment, and mentoring that connect students with alumni, board members, and other stakeholders. Additionally, the Fellow will assist in developing communication and outreach strategies to elevate WLI's presence within the College and University.

The Fellow will assess the impact of student leadership programming, including networking and mentoring opportunities, and track student and alumni outcomes to measure the long-term effectiveness of WLI initiatives. Separately, the Fellow will assist the Director in implementing vision and goals for future programming, such as expanding internship and job opportunities to further support students' professional development.

Collaborating with the WLI Executive Board, faculty, and community members, the Fellow will aid in aligning program goals and objectives with the broader mission of the Institute and University.

The Fellow will report to the Dean's Office, and their home unit will receive funding for one course release per academic year. Reappointment as the Mason Soneral Fellow may be considered based on successful performance, as determined through an annual review and mutual agreement with both the WLI Director and the Dean of the College of Social Science.

Minimum Qualifications

A terminal degree is required. Candidates must hold either a tenure system or a fixed-term teaching-focused faculty position within the College of Social Science.

Desired Qualifications

- Experience in mentoring students, especially in ways that support career readiness, confidence building, and professional networking.
- Strong communication and outreach skills, including experience with event planning, stakeholder engagement, or alumni relations.

- Ability to collaborate effectively with diverse groups, including faculty, staff, students, alumni, and community partners.

Required Applicant Materials

Candidates should submit the following materials to Amanda Guinot Talbot, PhD, WLI Director at guinotam@msu.edu

1. Cover letter describing how the candidate's experience, interests, and expertise align with the minimum and desired requirements for the position

2. CV

3. Names and contact information for three professional references

Questions pertaining to the position can be addressed to Amanda Guinot Talbot, PhD, WLI Director at guinotam@msu.edu

Application Deadline March 1, 2026