The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) announces fellowships in Criminal Justice Policy and Management at Harvard University’s John F. Kennedy School of Government for two separate programs: 1) a 1-year Master’s in Public Administration Program and 2) a 3-week Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government.

NIJ is the research and development agency of the U.S. Department of Justice. It sponsors research into promising methods of controlling crime and improving the criminal justice system and evaluates programs to determine what works and why.

The fellowship program was established in memory of John B. Pickett, the first Director of Planning and Management at the National Institute of Justice. During his 20-year career at NIJ, Mr. Pickett made many significant contributions to the administration of criminal justice. He was instrumental in establishing the Executive Session on Policing at Harvard University’s John F. Kennedy School of Government and helped develop the management and administrative policies of the State Justice Institute, where he served as Acting Director on assignment from NIJ. He was the recipient of Justice Department outstanding performance and special achievement awards and a 1978 presidential certificate of appreciation. He died in 1990.

Mid-Career MPA Program

This fellowship will provide full or partial tuition for a student pursuing a 1-year Master’s Degree in Public Administration. The fellowship is for experienced mid-career professionals working in public service who seek to expand their knowledge of criminal justice policy and management. Applicants must demonstrate the qualities of integrity, professionalism, and dedication to public service exemplified in John Pickett’s character and distinguished career and must have the motivation and values to lead in their fields and to meet society’s need for excellence in government.

Eligibility requirements. Applicants must have an outstanding academic and professional record and be enrolled in or admitted to the Kennedy School of Government. The Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is required for admission to this program. Applicants also should have at least 7 years of experience in law enforcement, corrections, courts, or other criminal justice professions. Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate a desire to continue in the field of criminal justice policy and management, although not necessarily in their current capacity.

Award amount and application procedure. The fellowship will cover some or all of the cost of tuition for the 1-year Master’s Degree in Public Administration. Applicants must submit a statement of proposed graduate study and career plans, a detailed resume, and three letters of reference. For further information, contact Dr. Brenda White, Assistant Dean for Enrollment Services, at 617–495–1153 or at the address on this announcement.

Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government

This program offers an intensive 3 weeks of executive education for senior-level executives in all government functions from State, county, and municipal government and their elected counterparts. Recent participants have included a State cabinet secretary, a city manager from a mid-size city, and a governmental affairs officer from a major corporation. It is designed to prepare participants for increased responsibilities and stimulate interest in new management ideas and techniques. Fellowship applicants must demonstrate the qualities of integrity, professionalism, and dedication to public service exemplified in John Pickett’s character and distinguished career.

Eligibility requirements. Pickett Fellowship applicants for this program must be senior-level criminal justice executives; some preference will be given to police. Fellowship applicants must be admitted to the Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government. Examples of recent Pickett Fellows include a New York City Police Department borough commander and a State corrections commissioner.

Award amount and application procedure. The fellowship will provide the full cost of tuition, lodging, meals, and instructional materials for the 3-week session. Applicants may request one of two sessions: June 9 to 28, 1996, or July 7 to 26, 1996. For further information, contact Barbara Roberts, Director, Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government, at 617–495–1165 or at the address on this announcement.
John B. Pickett Fellowships in Criminal Justice Policy and Management

Mail applications for Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government to:

Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government
John F. Kennedy School of Government
Harvard University
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Cambridge, MA 02138

Application deadline for State and Local Program April 2, 1996

Mail applications for Mid-Career MPA Program to:

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Application deadline for MPA Program May 10, 1996