Paul D. Coverdell Fellows Program

The Coverdell Fellows program provides a great opportunity for returned Peace Corps Volunteers to continue their service to underserved communities while also pursuing graduate studies at a reduced cost. The University of Michigan hosts Coverdell Fellows at several schools and colleges across the university including:

- Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy
- School of Natural Resources and the Environment
- School of Information
- School of Social Work
- Penny W. Stamps School of Art & Design
- School of Nursing

To learn more, visit the [Paul D. Coverdell Fellows Program](https://www.peacecorps.gov/volunteer/university-programs/coverdell-fellows/) website.

As a Coverdell Fellow you receive the following benefits:

- Financial assistance: Financial aid may include tuition reduction, full scholarships, stipends, or assistantships.
- Professional experience: Your internship will allow you to apply what you learn in the classroom to a professional setting.
- Helping others: As part of the program requirement, you’ll provide much-needed assistance to some of the United States' most underserved communities.
- Furthering the Peace Corps mission: By sharing your experiences in classrooms and in communities, you will help fulfill the Peace Corps Third Goal: to promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans.
- Choice: Earn your master’s degree, doctoral degree, or professional certificate from one of over 150 programs at more than 90 university partners across the country. The choice is yours!
- Federal jobs: If you enroll in school soon after service, your one-year [noncompetitive eligibility status](https://www.peacecorps.gov/returned-volunteers/careers/noncompetitive-eligibility/) for federal jobs applications may, at the hiring agency's discretion, be extended up to three years from your close of service date.

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