

## POSNER 2023 – Frequently Asked Questions

### What are the program dates?

Posner orientation is Thursday, June 15 and Friday, June 16. Research begins on Tuesday, June 20 and will conclude with a 2-day Symposium on August 10 and 11 showcasing your research.

### Can I live off-campus?

No. Posner fellows *must* live on campus for the duration of the program.

### Where will we be living for the 8 weeks? When are the move-in and move-out days? Will you help us move?

Posner fellows will be housed in Shepard Residence Hall, located at 626 University Pl, Evanston, IL 60208. Our exact move-in date has been confirmed as Sunday, June 18. We will cover the costs associated with a Late Stay so you can move directly from your spring campus housing assignment to Shepard. If you are already living in Shepard, we can request you stay in your current room but cannot guarantee it. We do not provide moving assistance. All students in the program must move out on Saturday, August 12. There will not be any extensions/late stays beyond the 12<sup>th</sup>.

### Will I have a roommate during Posner?

Yes, all students will have roommates. We will send a form in the spring if you have specific roommate request, otherwise they will be assigned randomly.

### Are we going to have a meal plan?

No. The stipend you receive includes funds for food. You can purchase meals in the dining halls on your debit/credit card, grocery shop and prepare meals in the Shepard kitchen, or purchase meals at restaurants.

### Can I take summer classes and/or work during Posner?

No. Posner Fellows are expected to commit their 8 weeks to working with their mentor and the Posner program and may not be enrolled in classes or be otherwise employed.

### How many hours per week do I work with my mentor?

You should expect to work 40 hours per week on your research. You and your mentor should meet in the spring to discuss expectations like daily hours and responsibilities.

### What is the stipend amount?

Students will receive \$3,400 during the duration of the program. Payments will be distributed as follows:

Timeline	Amount
Week of June 12th	\$300 via Visa Prepaid Gift Card
June 30	\$2000 Payment (check or direct deposit)
July 30	\$550 Payment (check or direct deposit)
August 30	\$550 Payment (check or direct deposit)

### Is my stipend taxable?

The award may be taxable. You should consult a tax advisor if you have questions regarding whether or how to report these funds on your tax return.

**How will I learn about the research process?**

In addition to mentorship from your faculty member, the Posner program has 3 co-directors, Professors Rosemary Bush, Jaime Dominguez, and Shelby Hatch, who will be working with you throughout the 8-weeks. You will meet every other week with one of the co-directors and during the alternate weeks, you will attend mandatory workshops with the entire cohort.

**What do we do besides research?**

We encourage students to get to know each other and build community throughout the 8-weeks. We schedule group events like an ice cream social, beach day, and a trip to downtown Chicago.

**If I need to go to the Chicago campus for my research, how can I get there?**

We recommend students travelling to the Chicago campus utilize the Campus Shuttle, which is free with your Wild Card.

**Who do I contact about a question that isn't answered here?**

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