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* Tagline is “Diplomacy in Action”
* Created in 1790, State “advances freedom for the benefit of the American people and the international community by helping to build and sustain a more democratic, secure, and prosperous world composed of well-governed states that respond to the needs of their people, reduce widespread poverty, and act responsibly within the international system.”
* Annual budget of about $50 billion.
* Prevents terrorist attacks and strengthen international alliances to defeat global terrorism.
* Ensures America’s homeland security by promoting policies and practices to keep travel trade, and important infrastructure safe.
* Promotes stability in all regions of the world.

**Funding Opportunities by Unit**

[Under Secretary for Political Affairs](http://www.state.gov/p/)  
[Under Secretary for Economic Growth, Energy, and the Environment](http://www.state.gov/e/)  
[Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security](http://www.state.gov/t/)[Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights](http://www.state.gov/j/)[Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs](http://www.state.gov/r/)

[Freedom of Information Act Submissions](http://foia.state.gov/)

Things to Consider

Most State opportunities are one time only and offer one award.

State provides funding to other organizations which provide opportunities to colleges and universities (e.g. Fulbright programs).

Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs houses the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs which offers the most reoccurring  opportunities for colleges and universities.