Personal Statement Workshop: Agenda

Reminder:
● Before leaving for the summer, make sure you meet with a CCL advisor to talk about Fall fellowships AND indicate through Apply Now your interest in the specific fellowships you want to apply for by June 1st.

Introduction to Personal Statements
● What is a personal statement?
● Validating one’s story
● Context matters
● Be creative!

Student Panel
(Introduction of first draft to last draft of personal statement)
● Experiences: first draft to last draft
● Writing process
● Editing process
● Struggles
● Motivations
● Dealing with writer’s block
● Overcoming sharing personal stories/experiences

Value Statement Workshop
● Rationale for starting with value-based goal setting for personal statement writing
● Worksheet packet: value statement and fast forward 10 years