

# 2016 ROBERT NOVAK JOURNALISM FELLOWSHIP AWARD WINNERS

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## ELIZABETH COREY | PART-TIME FELLOWSHIP-2016

**Project:** “Diversity and Individuality in the Modern University.” Elizabeth is an associate professor of political science at Baylor University. She has received several awards for teaching excellence and has been awarded fellowships by the Earhart Foundation, Intercollegiate Studies Institute and Institute for Humane Studies. Her writing has appeared in *First Things*, *American Political Thought* and the *Journal of Philosophy of Education*, among others. She received a bachelor’s degree from Oberlin College and her master’s and doctorate degrees from Louisiana State University.



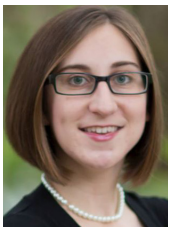
## ERIN MUNDAHL | PART-TIME FELLOWSHIP-2016

**Project:** “Pipe Dreams: America’s Shifting Attitudes Towards Addiction.” Erin is the co-founder of and a writer for *WellVersed*, an online subscription site for poetry aficionados. She is simultaneously an editorial assistant for *The Weekly Standard*. She previously interned for the *Minneapolis-St. Paul Business Journal* and the Hudson Institute’s Center for Political-Military Analysis, and was a Collegiate Network (Intercollegiate Studies Institute) Journalism Fellow for 2015-16. She also has been a contributing writer to *Red Alert Politics*. Erin earned double bachelor’s degrees in English and French from Hillsdale College.



## JOSHUA PETERSON | ALUMNI FUND FELLOWSHIP-2016

**Project:** “Will Robots Want to Vote? An Investigation into the Implications of Artificial Intelligence for Liberty and Democracy.” Josh is a freelance writer who contributes frequently to *Watchdog.org*, a network of public interest news websites sponsored by the Franklin Center for Government and Public Integrity that report on state and local governments. Previously, he was the national technology reporter for the Franklin Center and technology editor for *The Daily Caller*. He has contributed to *The Washington Free Beacon*, *The Federalist* and other periodicals and is a 2011 graduate of the Heritage Foundation’s Computer-Assisted Investigative Reporting Workshop. He received a bachelor’s degree in religion and philosophy from Hillsdale College.



## STEPHANIE SLADE | PART-TIME FELLOWSHIP-2016

**Project:** “The Politics of Religious Liberty: How the Left is Driving a Wedge Between Faith and Free Enterprise.” Stephanie is the deputy managing editor of *Reason Magazine*. Prior to that, she was a freelance writer-editor and a regular contributor to *U.S. News & World Report*. She was deputy research director at *Freedom Partners* in Arlington, Virginia, and a project director at the *Winston Group* in Washington. She served on the editorial staff of the *Independent Florida Alligator*, a University of Florida student publication. In 2013, she was a finalist for the Bastiat Prize for Journalism.

Stephanie earned a bachelor’s degree in economics and political science from the University of Florida and a master’s in political communication from the American University School of Public Affairs.



## MATTHEW WALTHER | PART-TIME FELLOWSHIP-2016

**Project:** “They Couldn’t Have Done the Math!: What the Decline of the WASP Establishment and the Rise of Meritocracy Means for American Institutions.” Matthew is an associate editor at *The Washington Free Beacon*. Previously, he was an assistant editor at *The American Spectator*. His freelance articles and essays have appeared in *The Spectator of London*, *First Things*, *National Review*, *The Weekly Standard*, *The American Conservative*, *The Daily Beast*, *The Washington Times*, *Prospect* and *Touchstone*. He holds a bachelor’s degree in English from Northern Michigan University.



## JONATHAN “YONI” WILKENFELD | PART-TIME FELLOWSHIP-2016

**Project:** “Long Gone: Civil Asset Forfeiture in the 21st Century.” Yoni is a researcher, writer, editor and marketer for *Iambic Enterprises* in Washington, D.C. He previously was an intern at *Poland Today* in Warsaw and also wrote freelance articles on Polish life and culture for *PL Journal*, *The Forward* and *The Jewish News*. He also interned at the *New York Press*, publishers of neighborhood newspapers in New York City. In college, he served as executive editor of *The Kenyon Observer*. Yoni graduated magna cum laude from Kenyon College with a bachelor’s degree in political science.