GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOWSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND AWARD INFORMATION, 2014-2015

I. DEADLINES

DECEMBER 01, 2013  Fellowship applications from continuing students through ApplyYourself.

DECEMBER 16, 2013  Graduate Programs forward nominations for continuing students to Graduate Studies through GARD.

JANUARY 15, 2014  Fellowship applications from entering students through ApplyYourself.

FEBRUARY 05, 2014  Graduate Programs forward nominations for entering students to Graduate Studies through GARD.

MARCH 2014  The Office of Graduate Studies begins sending first-round offer letters to entering students; copies are sent to graduate programs.

APRIL 15, 2014  Final date for entering students to accept or decline first round fellowship award offers, in writing.

II. GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR FELLOWSHIPS

Awards are a mark of honor, primarily on the basis of scholarship and promise of outstanding academic and professional contribution. In evaluating applications, consideration is given to the extent and quality of previous undergraduate and graduate work, evidence of ability in research or other creative accomplishment, evidence of intellectual capacity, and promise of productive scholarship. Items to be included in this evaluation are: graduate grade-point average (GPA), academic transcripts, Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores (for entering students only), statement of purpose, personal history statement, letters of recommendation, and other documentation such as publications and awards. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 in order to be considered for fellowships.

Research and Travel
Students who receive Research or Travel awards will have their funds transferred to their graduate program. Students are responsible for submitting receipts to their programs for all allowable expenses in accordance with Policy and Procedure Manual (P&PM) sections referenced below.

a) Research funds may be used only for specific needs vital to the success of the research. Allowable supplies and expenses may include laboratory supplies, office supplies, photocopying, equipment, etc. UC Davis P&PM 350-21 Departmental Purchase Delegations. http://manuals.ucdavis.edu/ppm/350/350-21.htm

b) Travel funds may be used for transportation expenses, registration, incidentals, meals, lodging, etc., in accordance with P&PM Section 300-10 Travel Policies and Regulations. http://manuals.ucdavis.edu/ppm/contents.htm#300

Financial Need
Financial need or the availability of other sources of support in the program is not relevant to the evaluation of academic merit. However, financial need may be an additional criterion for some fellowships. Financial need is a component of the eligibility criteria for all forms of financial aid (including work study).
NOTE: We recommend every graduate student who are U.S. citizens, permanent residents or immigrants are required to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), or a renewal, as early as possible, but no later than March 2. This form, submitted directly to the Federal Student Aid Program Office, is used to determine financial need. The FAFSA may be obtained from the Financial Aid Office, graduate program office, any U.S. institution of higher education, or from the U.S. Department of Education Student Financial Assistance Web site at [http://www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

III. APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Prospective students will automatically be considered for fellowships when they submit their application for admission.

Continuing students must submit an Internal Fellowship Application to be considered for fellowships. Continuing students must have a statement of purpose and personal history statement. Applicants must also indicate their interest in being considered for nomination by checking all fellowships for which they are eligible and by explaining how they are eligible for each of the fellowships.

**Prospective Students are required to submit GRE Scores** – Applicants are required to submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) general test scores and are urged to submit the subject test score in the appropriate field. The GRE must be taken no later than the December test date for the scores to reach your proposed graduate program office in time for the fellowship competition. Applicants who do not take the GRE by the December test date will not be considered for fellowships. Have the Educational Testing Service (ETS) send your GRE scores to your proposed graduate program. Specify the UC Davis institution code (4834) and the department code found in the GRE booklet.

**Exception:** Applicants for Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership, M.F.A. degree in Art, Dramatic Art, or Design are not required to submit GRE scores for fellowship applications.

**All applicants must submit three Letters of Recommendation** – Students should have their referees submit letters DIRECTLY through ApplyYourself. If the recommender requires that the student waive access to this letter, the Waiver of Access form has also been provided.

For continuing students, only their UC Davis transcript is required. Continuing student transcripts will appear in GARD. Graduate program coordinators do not need to send barcode cover sheets to the Office of Graduate Studies.

**Unless identified as being only open to U.S. citizens, immigrants, or permanent residents these fellowships are available to international students.**

The Graduate Council Student Support Committee reviews most nominations.

IV. PROGRAM REVIEW AND NOMINATIONS

1. The graduate program fellowship committee will nominate and rank entering and continuing students in two separate lists submitted according to different deadlines. Graduate programs need to schedule their fellowship committee meetings well in advance to ensure the committees have sufficient time to review the applications.

2. To be considered for these fellowships/scholarships, applicants must be nominated by their graduate programs. Graduate programs will review the applications to assure completeness and student eligibility. The criteria for eligibility for the fellowships start on the next page.

3. Nominations are submitted to the Office of Graduate Studies according to the eligibility instructions and via the Graduate Application Review Database (GARD) system.
V. FELLOWSHIPS TO SUPPORT CAMPUS DIVERSITY

The Dean of Graduate Studies at the University of California, Davis, is committed to improving the quality and diversity of the student body, as the campus responds to the changing population and educational needs of California and the nation. The Academic Career Development Program (ACDP) is designed to facilitate the academic career development of students who show potential to become excellent faculty or researchers in institutions of higher education, as well as to foster multi-faceted diversity in graduate education at the University of California. Since diversity is critical to promoting lively intellectual exchange and the variety of ideas and perspectives essential to advanced research, and because graduate students form the pool of future academic leaders, high value is placed on achieving a diverse graduate student body and faculty as part of the endeavor to maintain academic excellence.

Applicants for the following fellowships must meet these specified requirements as well as any additional criteria outlined in the specific fellowship descriptions outlined here:

Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship, Dissertation Year Fellowship, Graduate Research Mentorship Fellowship and McNair Graduate Fellowship

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Demonstrated high potential and promise, with an interest in an academic career in teaching and research

2. United States citizens or permanent residents

3. Individuals from cultural, linguistic, and socioeconomic backgrounds who would otherwise not adequately be represented in the graduate student and faculty populations as demonstrated by:
   a) Experience of situations or conditions which were an impediment to advancing to graduate study, such as the absence of a family member who attended college; matriculation in a school with poor financial or curricular support; having a physical or learning disability; or having worked long hours while attending school; or
   b) Academic research interests focusing on cultural, societal or educational problems as they affect educationally disadvantaged segments of society; or
   c) Evidence of an intention to use the doctoral degree toward serving educationally underrepresented segments of society.

4. ACDP participants may not simultaneously receive additional financial support awards in a similar or greater amount

Awards are for a 12-month period unless otherwise noted. Applicants will only be considered for the awards for which they are eligible.

Examples of factors to be included on this form and used in determining eligibility for these fellowships include: Parent(s) only completed high school (or less); Parent(s) income is below $20,000, at the time the student was supported by them. Primary language used in the home is NOT English; indication that student struggled due to economic, social, educational difficulty, or physical/learning disability to achieve their education; or degree focus will be to provide assistance to underrepresented segments of society.

Please read the following eligibility criteria and fellowship restrictions carefully. If the student does not meet all of the application restrictions or fails to submit a complete application, they will not be selected to receive an award.
VI. FELLOWSHIP DESCRIPTIONS AND CRITERIA

Awards are good for a period of one academic year (October through June) unless otherwise noted.

**Fellowships available to prospective graduate students only:**

**Cota Robles, Eugene**
This is a 21-month fellowship for entering Ph.D. students in any discipline. Applicants must meet the “Diversity” criteria as outlined in the beginning of these instructions. Students will be awarded a $40,000 stipend, fees and tuition will be covered and nonresident supplemental tuition during their first year if necessary. Students will not be allowed to hold academic appointments during the tenure of their fellowship. Nine fellowships will be awarded.

**Elliott, Marjorie and Charles**
This is a nine-month fellowship open to entering master’s, M.F.A., Ph.D., international and domestic, graduate students with financial need. One or two fellowships will be awarded.

**Gibeling, Jeffrey and Marsha**
This is a nine-month fellowship open to entering students to supplement employment or fellowship used to recruit an applicant. The award will rotate each year, alphabetically on a year-by-year basis, between Agricultural and Environmental Chemistry, Civil and Environmental Engineering (environmental and water resources), Ecology, English (creative writing), Hydrologic Sciences, Pharmacology and Toxicology, and Population Biology. One fellowship will be awarded.

**Jones, Fletcher**
This is a nine-month fellowship open to entering students who are U.S. citizens, permanent residents or immigrants with financial need. All disciplines are eligible to apply except those in Physical Education, Business Management, Law and Medicine. One fellowship will be awarded.

**Kraft, Herbert**
This is a nine-month fellowship open to entering students studying Agricultural Sciences. Students are only eligible if they have graduated from a high school in California. Preference is first given to graduates of high schools (or whose parents resided) in Tehama County; then to graduates of high schools in Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Mendocino, Plumas, Shasta, and Trinity counties; or finally to graduates from all other California counties. Approximately two fellowships will be awarded.

**McNair**
This is a 12-month fellowship (October through September) open to entering Ph.D. graduate students who participated in an undergraduate McNair Scholars program. Applicants must meet the “Diversity” criteria as outlined in the beginning of these instructions. This fellowship provides a $25,000 stipend, fees and tuition, and nonresident supplemental tuition (if applicable). Students will not be allowed to hold academic appointments during the tenure of the fellowship. One fellowship will be awarded.

**Provost’s First Year Fellowships in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences**
For highly qualified doctoral and master of fine arts students in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Each fellowship includes a twelve-month stipend of $25,000 and payment of fees and tuition. Individual graduate programs are responsible for providing any necessary nonresident supplemental tuition awards. Students from these graduate programs are eligible: Agricultural and Resource Economics, Anthropology, Art Studio, Communication, Comparative Literature, Cultural Studies, Design, Dramatic Art, Economics, English, French, Geography, German, History, Human Development, Linguistics, Music, Native American Studies, Performance Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, and Spanish.
Schwall Fellowship, Floyd and Mary
This is a 21-month fellowship open to entering Ph.D. students who are U.S. citizens with financial need and are engaged in medically related research (human focus). Recipients will receive a combination of a $50,000 stipend, fees and tuition, nonresident supplemental tuition (if applicable), and research and travel funding. Nonresident supplemental tuition will be covered for the first year only. One or two fellowships will be awarded.

Steindler, John F.
This is a 21-month fellowship open to entering Ph.D. students studying in the general areas of Agricultural Production, Food and Nutrition, and Molecular Biology in Plants, Agricultural Commodity Marketing, and Rural/Urban Social Studies. The student’s prospective major professor must have an appointment within the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. This fellowship provides a $40,000 stipend, fees and tuition, and nonresident supplemental tuition (if applicable) for one year. One or two fellowships will be awarded.
Additional Criteria: The graduate program must provide international students nonresident supplemental tuition during their second year.

Vanderhoef International Graduate Student Fellowship
This is a nine-month fellowship open to entering international students to offer recruitment incentives. One or two fellowships will be awarded.

Zolk, George and Dorothy
This is a nine-month fellowship that has no restrictions. It is open to entering master’s, M.F.A., or Ph.D., international and domestic, graduate students. Approximately two fellowships will be awarded.

Fellowships available to continuing graduate students only:

Crosby, Donald
This is a nine-month fellowship open to all continuing students of distinction who are engaged in study related to environmental chemistry.

Dissertation Year Fellowship
This is a twelve-month fellowship open to continuing doctoral students who are in the final stages of their doctoral work demonstrating strong potential for university teaching and research. Applicants must meet the “Diversity” criteria as outlined in the beginning of these instructions. Students must be advanced to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree by December 1, 2013 and must be making satisfactory academic progress toward completion of their dissertation to be able to complete all requirements by June 30, 2015. Recipients will receive a stipend of $25,000 and their fees and tuition will be covered. They will also have a research fund of $500 and a travel allowance of $500. Students will not be allowed to hold academic appointments during the tenure of their fellowship. Six fellowships will be awarded.

Faulkner, Richard D. and Kate
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students from Placer County, CA.

Foin, Theodore and Angela
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing graduate students. This award provides graduate student support to one student annually in the Graduate Group of Ecology, with preference given to a student working on the ecology of Thailand or conducting research in Thailand. One or two fellowships will be awarded.

Gibeling, Alfred H. & Marie E.
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students in the areas of advanced materials research or energy conservation technologies.
Gold, Ellen
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing Ph.D. students with financial need in the Graduate Group in Epidemiology. The award will be given to a graduate student within his or her first five years of studying and/or conductin research in human epidemiology in the Graduate Group in Epidemiology. One fellowship will be awarded.

Golden International Agriculture, William G. and Kathleen
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing Ph.D. students in the area of rice production technology including studies in plant breeding, crop production, soil and water management, pest control, extension, harvest and post-harvest technology and related subjects. Approximately four fellowships will be awarded.

Graduate Research Mentorship
This is a twelve-month fellowship open to continuing Ph.D. students who will have completed at least three quarters of graduate study at UC Davis by the end of spring quarter 2014. Applicants must meet the “Diversity” criteria as outlined in the beginning of these instructions. Students may not have begun their dissertation research or be advanced to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree. This fellowship requires a commitment by a faculty sponsor to participate as the student’s major professor and mentor. Six fellowships will be awarded.

Recipients will hold a Graduate Student Researcher position with a salary of approximately $20,000. Students must meet all appointment eligibility requirements, and may not have other fellowships or hold additional academic appointments during their tenure on this fellowship. Recipients will also receive $600 toward research expenses.

Hillyer, Ted and Silvia
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students, with a preference for a graduate student who has not previously received a competitive internal or external fellowship. The award will be given to a graduate student in the Graduate Group in Ecology and in the College of Engineering every other year. One or two fellowships will be awarded.

Krantz, Bert and Nell
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students who are U.S. citizens pursuing a graduate degree in the fields of land and water resources or plant sciences as related to production agriculture, and who have demonstrated a commitment to pursue work in the area of agricultural development in a less-developed country. One fellowship will be awarded.

Lee, George
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students who are U.S. citizens, permanent residents or immigrants with financial need. Students must be engaged in academic activity or research related to the role of environmental factors in the epidemiology of cancer in its broadest context. One fellowship will be awarded.

Lyons, Austin Eugene
This is a twelve-month fellowship open to students and/or practitioners in the field of veterinary medicine or animal science who are pursuing research into the causes, control and treatment of illnesses, diseases and health problems of farm livestock, especially sheep and cattle. Preference is given to residents of Humboldt and Del Norte Counties, California. Approximately four to eight fellowships are awarded annually.

Mahan, Laura Perrott
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students who are graduates of a Humboldt County High School. Student must be a bona fide resident of Humboldt County at time of selection.

McArthur, Frank
This is a nine-month fellowship open to graduates of any high school in Modoc, Lassen, Shasta or Siskiyou Counties, California.
McKeehan, Beatrice Oberly and S. Atwood
This is a 12-month fellowship open to continuing students with financial need who are pursuing the studies of farming, giving preference to those who desire to make farming their career and who have been raised on farms or were children of farmers.

Provost’s Dissertation Year Fellowship in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
This is a twelve-month fellowship open to continuing doctoral students in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences who are in the final stages of their doctoral work. Students must be advanced to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree by December 1, 2013. Students must be making satisfactory academic progress toward completion of their dissertation to be able to complete all requirements by the end of the twelve-month award period. Students must not have been enrolled in their doctoral program at UC Davis for more than seven years by the end of the award period. Recipients will receive a stipend of $25,000 and their fees and tuition will be covered. Students from these graduate programs are eligible: Agricultural and Resource Economics, Anthropology, Communication, Comparative Literature, Cultural Studies, Economics, English, French, Geography, German, History, Human Development, Linguistics, Music, Native American Studies, Performance Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, and Spanish.

Richards, Lillie May
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students. Students must be U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or immigrants with financial need that are studying dairying, with preference given to graduates of San Juan High School of Fair Oaks, California. One fellowship will be awarded.

Saxon, Leland Roy and Georgia Wood
This is a twelve-month fellowship open to continuing students. The fellowship is to be used to establish scholarships for graduate studies (beyond obtaining a bachelor’s degree) for those students who have graduated from high schools in the Grass Valley-Nevada City (Nevada County, California) area. One fellowship will be awarded.

Schwalen Memorial Prize, Emily
This is a fellowship that is open to all graduate students in agricultural and/or environmental sciences that are closely connected to Native American culture or whose thesis research would benefit Native Americans. Also open to UC Davis graduate students whose thesis work is related to Native Americans or Ecology. One fellowship will be awarded.

Schwall Dissertation Year Fellowship, Floyd and Mary
These are nine-month fellowships for continuing students who are U.S. citizens with financial need and are engaged in medically related research. Students must be advanced to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree by December 1, 2013 and must be making satisfactory academic progress toward completion of their dissertation to be able to complete all requirements by June 30, 2015. Recipients may not receive the Jastro-Shields Research Award or the UC Davis and Humanities Graduate Research Award in conjunction with the Schwall Dissertation Year Fellowship. Five fellowships will be awarded.

Seiber, James and Rita International Graduate Student Fellowship
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students in Food Science & Technology and Agricultural & Environmental Chemistry Graduate Groups in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences to offer financial support where a preference will be given to funding at least one top international graduate student each year.

Stacey, Malcolm R.
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing Jewish students with financial need who are pursuing a career in aeronautical engineering or any engineering field.

Telford, Tara K.
This is a nine-month fellowship to support one or more continuing graduate student engaged in Cystic Fibrosis research.
Tryon, Herbert
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing graduate students with financial need. Students must be graduates of a high school in Del Norte, Humboldt, Siskiyou or Trinity Counties, California. Preference is given to graduates of a high school in Del Norte County.

UC Davis and Humanities Graduate Research
Open to all continuing graduate students who will be registered during the 2014-2015 academic year. Students must have been registered in spring quarter 2014 to use the funds during the summer period (July-September 2014). Students on PELP or Filing Fee status do not meet the registration requirement. Provides up to $1,500 for research projects. Recipients may receive a Jastro-Shields Research Scholarship during the same fiscal year; however, the total of the two awards may not exceed $3,000. Recipients may not receive a Floyd and Mary Schwall Dissertation Fellowship during the same fiscal year. Priority is given to Ph.D. students. Forty fellowships will be awarded.

UC Davis Dissertation Year Fellowship
This is a 12-month fellowship open to continuing doctoral students who are in the final stages of their doctoral work demonstrating strong potential for university teaching and research. Students must be advanced to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree by December 1, 2013 and must be making satisfactory academic progress toward completion of their dissertation to be able to complete all requirements by June 30, 2015. Recipients will receive a stipend of $25,000 and their in-state fees will be covered. They will also have a research fund of $500 and a travel allowance of $500. Students will not be allowed to hold academic appointments during the tenure of their fellowship. Six fellowships will be awarded.

Velez, Miguel
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing graduate students. The Miguel Velez Fellowship is awarded to students on the basis of character, ability, with financial need. Preference is given first to students with citizenship/residency of Colombia, South America, then to students from other Latin American countries

Werner, Emmy and Jacobsen, Stanley
This is a nine-month fellowship to provide support for continuing graduate students, pursuing their PhD, whose research examines the genetic aspects of human behavior and development. One fellowship will be awarded.

Walker, Frank and Carolan
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students who are residents of Humboldt County, California.

Wood, Elizabeth P.
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing students who are residents of Placer County, California. Special Criteria: Recipient shall agree to return to the Regents all or part of the sums received by them, without interest, when such a return can be made without a serious inconvenience to them.

Wright, Jarena
This is a nine-month fellowship open to continuing graduate students from Santa Rosa, California with preference given to those who participated in Future Farmers of America, 4-H or similar programs. One or two fellowships will be awarded.