The School of Graduate Studies announces the availability of Summer Doctoral Fellowships of $5000.00, plus a waiver of tuition, to support doctoral students who will spend full time on their dissertation research in the summer of 2016.

To be considered for a fellowship, the student:

1. Must be enrolled as a doctoral student during the 2016 Spring Semester.
2. Must not be graduating in August 2016.
3. **Must not hold a concurrent financial award for the summer.**
4. Must be committed to spending full time on the doctoral dissertation for a two and one-half month period, May 16 – August 9, 2016.
5. Must register for at least six credits in the 2016 Summer Session, normally in 999 (or a maximum of one class other than research or dissertation credits in unusual circumstances).
6. Must have an approved Topic Proposal for the Dissertation filed in The School of Graduate Studies.
7. Must not have received a Summer Doctoral Fellowship award for summer 2015.

Applications must be filed with the School of Graduate Studies no later than February 12, 2016. Applications will be reviewed by members of The Graduate Committee. The Graduate Committee is made up of elected representatives from the graduate faculty and serves as the executive council of the graduate faculty. The application should be written clearly and should be comprehensible to those outside of the applicant’s field. Please do not simply copy your Proposal of Dissertation which is written for colleagues in your field. The application must include the following:

1. An application letter (maximum one page single-spaced and 12 point font) describing (a) current academic status, (b) a projected schedule for the completion of doctoral study, and (c) a statement describing how the fellowship time will be spent.

2. A statement (maximum two pages single-spaced) describing the study, including:
   1. A description of the problem.
   2. Current knowledge relative to the problem.
   3. The significance of the proposed research.
   4. The methods to be used in the research.
   5. The anticipated results of the research.

Statements over two pages will not be reviewed.

3. Three letters of recommendation are required: one from the student's advisor, one from a member of the student’s dissertation committee, and one from the department chair or graduate program director. If there is more than one application from a department, the chairperson will rank the applicants. **The recommendation letter should include specific information about the student’s progress in the doctoral program, addressing the student’s ability to complete the study described in the research statement, specifically the methods, the anticipated outcomes and the significance of the proposed research.**

4. The completed application and supporting recommendations must be filed with The School of Graduate Studies prior to the end of the business day on **February 12, 2016.**

5. Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline will be returned and not reviewed.

The Graduate Committee will select the awardees based on the quality of the application, including clarity and completeness, and on the qualifications of the student to complete the study. Applications will be evaluated shortly after the deadline. Applicants will be notified in writing of the results.
2016 SUMMER DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

DEADLINE: February 12, 2016

CHECKLIST (Incomplete applications will not be considered for this award.)

- Application letter including current mailing address
- Statement describing the study
- Attached letter of recommendation from advisor
- Attached letter of recommendation from a member of the dissertation committee
- Attached letter of recommendation from the department chair or graduate program director

Please submit all of the above by hard copy to:

The School of Graduate Studies
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