OGFA Fall 2013 Workshops

General Funding Opportunities
When: Wednesday September 4, 2013, 12:00-1:00pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: This session will provide an introduction to the resources at FSU to find funding for your graduate studies. We will also highlight general awards that are open to students from various disciplines and all stages.

Funding Your Research in Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe and Asia
When: Wednesday September 4, 2013, 2:00-3:00pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: Do you have an external collaboration? Are the resources you need to complete your studies outside of FSU/ Tallahassee? Come to this workshop to learn about potential awards to cover your research and creative activities away from FSU.

Opportunities for Women and Minority Students
When: Tuesday September 10, 2013, 5:00-6:00pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: This workshop will feature prestigious awards that support women and minority graduate students. We will highlight the Ford Foundation, AAUW, and PEO awards among many others.

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program
When: Wednesday September 11, 2013, 3:00-4:00 pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: We will discuss NSF’s Graduate Research Fellowship Program. Learn tips on writing for NSF as well as details about the application and program changes.

Dissertation Research and Completion Fellowships
When: Monday September 16, 2013, 1:00-2:00 pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: Are you within a year of preparing your prospectus. Or are you just concerned about where you will receive the funding to complete your degree? Come to this workshop to learn about various dissertation funding opportunities and resources at FSU to help you complete your application.

FELLOWSHIPS INS AND OUTS:

Language Fellowships
When: Thursday September 19, 2013, 3:00-4:00pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: This workshop will explore awards with an emphasis on languages from foundations, organizations, and libraries.

STEM Fellowships
When: Thursday September 19, 2013, 5:00-6:00pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: Discover national sponsors who support early grad studies in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). We will provide tips and profile awards from agencies including the NSF, EPA, DOD, and DOE.

PREPARING YOUR FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION SERIES:

The Resume and CV
When: Tuesday September 24, 2013, 3:00-4:30pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: The first in the fellowship application preparation series- learn what to include and what not to include on your application resume and CV and ensure you match the needs of the sponsoring agency. Yes, these are very different from the documents you used for your graduate school application or jobs.

Personal Statement
When: Thursday October 3, 2013, 3:00-4:30pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: Writing about yourself can be difficult, but we are here to help. In this session you will receive more than the generic dos and don’ts list and leave with at least the outline for your personal statement if not a rough draft.

Research Statements and Proposals
When: Wednesday October 9, 2013, 3:00-4:30pm Where: Scholars Commons, 5A, Strozier Library
Description: Join us in this hands-on writing workshop that will focus on persuasive writing techniques for proposals. Topics include: essential points to address in the application, writing strategies for the interdisciplinary review committee, and participants will also experience being a member of a review committee.
**Top Ten Reasons to Apply for External Funding**

10. They told me to: Your advisor suggested that you should apply for external funding
9. Feedback: The Sponsor’s reviewers will often provide feedback regarding your research proposal
8. Recognition: Here at FSU, nationally, and in and out of your field, you will receive recognition for your accomplishment
7. Knowledge: Gain a deeper understanding of a field that interests you
6. Experience: Gain valuable experience in grant/proposal writing
5. They are looking for you: There are sponsors with multiple fellowships that match your demographics and research interests
4. Freedom: You will have more freedom to choose projects, advisors, etcetera…
3. Time: Complete your degree in less time
2. Money! Complete graduate school with less debt
1. We are here to help: OGFA is free and available to all FSU graduate students

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**Upcoming Fellowship Deadlines**

**Early Graduate Career Awards**
- Paul and Daisy Soros New American Fellows
  - [www.pdsoros.org](http://www.pdsoros.org)
  - Deadline: November 8, 2013
- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program
  - [http://www/nsfgrfp.org](http://www/nsfgrfp.org)
  - Deadline: November 4, 2013
- Predoctoral Ford Fellowships
  - [http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/index.htm](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/index.htm)
  - Deadline: November 20, 2013
- SMART Defense Scholarship
  - [http://smart.asce.org/about/](http://smart.asce.org/about/)
  - Deadline: December 16, 2013
- Microsoft Research Graduate Women’s Scholarship Program
  - Deadline: October 13, 2013

**Dissertation Awards**
- AAUW American Fellowships
  - [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)
  - Deadline: November 15, 2013
- NAEd/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Program
  - [http://www.naeducation.org/NAED_080200.html](http://www.naeducation.org/NAED_080200.html)
  - Deadline: October 4, 2013
- Doris Duke Fellowship
  - [http://www.chapinhall.org/fellowships/doris-duke-fellowships](http://www.chapinhall.org/fellowships/doris-duke-fellowships)
  - Deadline: December 15, 2013
- Jennings Randolph Peace Scholarship Dissertation Program
  - [http://www.usip.org/fellows/scholars.html](http://www.usip.org/fellows/scholars.html)
  - Deadline: December 13, 2013
- Dissertation Ford Fellowships
  - [http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/index.htm](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/index.htm)
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**Recommended Application Preparation Time Table**

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