



# OFFICE OF GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

## The Graduate School

### Newsletter

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### Upcoming Fall Workshops & Events

#### Graduate Fellowships in the STEM Fields

In this workshop, we will introduce major national fellowships for graduate students in the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines. In particular, we will discuss the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program, the EPA Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Program, the DOE Science Graduate Fellowship (SCGF) Program, and the DOD SMART Scholarship.

*Monday, August 30 at 4 p.m. in Scholars Commons 005a, Strozier Library*

#### Graduate Fellowships for Research Abroad

If you're planning on conducting thesis or doctoral research abroad next year, don't miss this workshop! Topics will include resources for both doctoral students (Fulbright-Hays DDRA Fellowship and SSRC IDRF, see "Award Profile") and for any level of graduate student (Boren Fellowship and DAAD awards). We will also discuss application materials that are commonly required for this type of application such as an itinerary, budget, and letters of affiliation as well as campus policies for international research.

*Monday, September 13 at 4 p.m. in Scholars Commons 005a, Strozier Library*

#### Dissertation Research Fellowships & Grants

For information about national funding resources for dissertation research as well as the campus procedure for submitting applications, mark your calendars for this workshop! Topics include: submitting a grant through FSU, common application components (work plan, budget, or permissions), ACLS and Mellon Fellowships, NIH resources, and NSF grants (available for Social, Behavioral, & Economic Sciences and other fields).

*Monday, September 27 at 4 p.m. in Scholars Commons 005a, Strozier Library*

#### Writing Proposals for Graduate Fellowships

In this hands-on workshop, we'll explore how writing for a fellowship, scholarship, or grant is different than writing an academic paper. Topics include: persuasive writing techniques, essential points to address, and strategies for common application materials (Abstract, Proposals, and the Personal Statement).

*Monday, October 4 at 4 p.m. in Scholars Commons 005a, Strozier Library*

**Please visit our website to register for a workshop.**



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## Fall 2010 Round Tables

This Fall, we will also have round table discussions with current applicants to discuss the following awards:

- EPA Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Program
- Fulbright-Hays DDRA Fellowship
- Jacob K. Javits Fellowship
- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)

*Details TBA on Blackboard.*

*Please contact us to schedule another round table for your group.*



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## Blackboard Funding Resources

Interested in researching African textiles at the Smithsonian? Looking to pursue a real-world laboratory research experience in the South Pacific with NSF?

Consult the list of graduate funding resources on the OGFA Blackboard site to discover opportunities that can enhance your graduate experience. Learn how to search for other resources through our tips and link to a well-respected funding database, the Community of Science, which is sponsored by the Office of Research.



At the OGFA, we help graduate students create polished proposals for the off-campus review committee. If you are interested in an opportunity beyond those listed in Blackboard, please send us the relevant information (e.g. website URL) to begin planning your competitive application!

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### Award Profile: International Dissertation Research Fellowship

**Sponsor:** Social Science Research Council (SSRC)

**Eligible fields:** Humanities and Social Sciences

**Purpose:** For 9-12 months of international research on topics of interdisciplinary, cross-regional, and modern area studies

**Provisions:** If selected, applicants will submit their budget for the research project.

**Requirements:** Proposal (6-10 pages), letters of recommendation, language evaluation for research in foreign languages

**Application Process:** Online

**Deadlines:** November 3, 2010

For more information and assistance with the application, please attend our upcoming workshop and contact us.

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## Upcoming Application Deadlines

Fall is the height of fellowship application season! Start working on your fall applications now to ensure a timely submission.

Sept. 19	NSF Dissertation Improvement Grant for the Biological Sciences (limited submissions)
Sept. 30	Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship Program
Oct. 14	Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans
Oct. 15	Doctoral Fellowship for Chinese Studies
Nov. 1	Wenner-Gren Dissertation Fieldwork Grant
Nov. 3	SSRC International Dissertation Research Fellowship
Nov. 10	ACLS Dissertation Research and Writing in East European Studies
Nov. 10	Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship
Nov. 10	Henry Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowship in American Art
Nov. 15	DAAD Research Grant for Study in Germany
Dec. 1	DOD SMART Scholarship

For details about these awards, the application process, and campus policies, please visit the OGFA Blackboard site and contact us. Additional opportunities are also listed in Blackboard.

Stay tuned to Blackboard for more information about the opening of fellowship applications, including:

- NSF GRFP
- Ford Foundation
- EPA STAR
- Fulbright-Hays DDRA Fellowship

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*The OGFA welcomes feedback about its services as well as information about graduate fellowships and awards. Please don't hesitate to contact us!*

### OGFA Policy

For assistance with proposal revisions and application submission, please contact the OGFA *at least 8 business days prior to the deadline* with your completed proposal. The OGFA can help coordinate information about campus procedures for external applications and awards that are administered by the university. Without proper advance notice, the OGFA cannot guarantee assistance before a deadline.

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