

\*Below is a list of various fellowships, awards, and scholarships available for graduate students on campus. Please visit <a href="http://www.csun.edu/grip/graduatestudies/">http://www.csun.edu/grip/graduatestudies/</a> for more information about these opportunities. Note, that some awards may be offered by-annually, so please be sure to check the website for most up to date information. Contact the appropriate office to obtain more information about eligibility and deadlines.

Most awards, unless otherwise specified, are offered by Graduate Studies.

# **Student Financial Opportunities**

#### **Graduate Fellowship for Research and Creative Activity**

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies is pleased to announce Graduate Fellowships of \$5,000 for Spring 2013. Twenty fellowships will be awarded to graduate students who want to undertake a research project or a creative activity supervised by a CSUN faculty. While the project may be part of the student's thesis, it is not a requirement. Students do not need to completely finish the project in the spring semester. However, it is expected that a significant part of the project will be accomplished during the award.

Although these are merit-based fellowships, students must have a FAFSA on file. Any questions, contact the Office of Graduate Studies at (818) 677-2138.

**Deadline: TBD;** please refer to the website

#### **Graduate Equity Fellowship Program**

The primary objective of the Graduate Equity Fellowship Program is to prepare, encourage and support those graduate students who aspire to obtain a doctorate and pursue an academic career in teaching and research. Applicants must have a faculty mentor who will assist them in this pursuit as well as their research. The maximum award is \$4,500 per academic year and eligible students may apply for up to two years of support.

**Please note that international students are not eligible for this program.**\*\*Inquiries should be directed to the Graduate Studies Office (818) 677-2138

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**Application Deadline: Typically during Fall;** please refer to the website

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#### **Thesis / Project / Performance Support Program**

Funds are available for graduate students working on research projects, artistic performances, and theses. Awards up to \$1,000 may be provided to selected students, based on review of an application which outlines the project, thesis or performance and anticipated costs. Costs

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associated with travel to a research site, supplies, minor equipment and library searches are examples of expenditures which are supported.

Application Deadline: Typically during Fall; please refer to the website

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#### **Graduate Student Travel Awards**

The Office of Graduate Studies provides a limited number of travel awards (up to \$400) for graduate students who are presenting a paper, poster or performance at a peer-reviewed professional conference. A formal acceptance letter (or email) from the sponsoring organization addressed to the student that indicates acceptance is required. Additionally, a detailed budget of the travel cost should be included with the request for funding. For more information contact Hedy Carpenter at (818) 677-2138 or email <a href="mailto:hedy.carpenter@csun.edu">hedy.carpenter@csun.edu</a>.

#### **Offered Through: Graduate Studies**

\*This can be a method of reimbursement if you are presenting at CalABA or ABAI.

\*\* You can also obtain monies from AS by following this link (<a href="http://www.csunas.org/about/forms/">http://www.csunas.org/about/forms/</a>) and compelted the Travel funding request form.

#### **California Pre-Doctoral Program**

The California Pre-Doctoral Program is designed to increase the diversity of the pool from which the California State University draws its faculty. It does so by supporting the doctoral aspirations of CSU students who have experienced economic and educational disadvantages. A special emphasis is placed on increasing the number of CSU students who enter graduate programs at one of the University of California campuses.

Each of the applicants selected will be designated a Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholar and will work closely with a CSU faculty sponsor to develop an overall plan which leads ultimately to enrollment in a doctoral program. The plan should be tailored to the specific goals and career objectives of the student.

#### In addition the program provides:

- Travel Funds for the student and faculty sponsor to visit U.S. doctoral-granting institutions and/or to attend a professional meeting appropriate to the student's development.
- 2. Funds for other related activities, such as student membership in professional organizations and subscriptions to journals, graduate school application and test fees, GRE preparation, and the cost of minor research materials.
- 3. A Summer Research Internship opportunity at a University of California campus or other major research university, fully funded by the Pre-Doctoral Program, so that the Scholar can participate in doctoral-level research.

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#### **General Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

Applicants to the California Pre-Doctoral Program must be upper division or master's degree students who are enrolled at a CSU institution as of Spring 2012 and who will also be enrolled at a CSU campus for at least one semester or two (2) quarter terms of the academic year 2012-2013.

Applicants will be selected on the basis of three major criteria: potential for success in completing a doctoral program, probable effectiveness of the student/faculty plan, and level of economic and educational disadvantage.

All applicants must be either U.S. citizens or permanent residents at the time of application. Current or previous California Pre-Doctoral Scholars are not eligible to apply. Each applicant must have a faculty sponsor who will be available for the duration of the plan specified in the application. The program is designed for students interested in obtaining research doctorates. Students interested in obtaining professional degrees (law, medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, or an MBA degree) are not eligible.

For more information about the program: http://www.calstate.edu/PreDoc/

**Application Deadline: Each Spring (typically in March)** 

Offered Through: The Cal State University system

#### **Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program**

The Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive/Forgivable Loan Program (CDI/FLP) provides student loans to a limited number of individuals pursuing full-time doctoral study at accredited universities throughout the United States.

The program seeks to provide loans to doctoral students who are interested in applying and competing for CSU instructional faculty positions after completion of the doctoral degree.

#### **Program Details**

Loans available in amounts of up to \$10,000 per year up to a total of \$30,000. Loans obtained through this program are repayable over a 15-year period, commencing one year after completion of or withdrawal from full time doctoral study. If a participant applies, competes for, and is hired in a CSU instructional faculty position after completion of the doctoral degree, 20 percent of the loan will be forgiven for each year of full-time postdoctoral teaching employment in the CSU. Part-time teaching in the CSU may also be considered for partial loan forgiveness, if the participant teaches at least half-time and has successfully completed the doctorate degree.

If you have any questions, please contact <u>Hedy Carpenter</u>, Associate Director for Graduate Studies.

For more information and to access the application, go to: <a href="http://www.calstate.edu/HR/CDIP/">http://www.calstate.edu/HR/CDIP/</a>

**CSUN Application Deadline: Each Spring (typically in February)** 

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Offered Through: The Cal State University system

### **Student Awards**

#### **Robert H. Schiffman Memorial Award for Outstanding Research Promise**

The determining factors for the award are based on early stages of conducting research, a minimum GPA of 3.5, record of scholarhip and contributions to the field, and returning for the 2013-2014 academic year. The award is for a graduate student who shows promise in research.

**Application Deadline: Typically in March** 

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#### Nathan O. Freedman Memorial Award for Outstanding Graduate Student

The determining factors for the award are based on a record of distinguished scholarship, a minimum GPA of 3.5, and contributions to the field. The award recipient will be announced at Honors Convocation.

**Application Deadline: Typically in March** 

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#### **Association of Retired Faculty Memorial Award**

The purpose of the award is to recognize and provide financial support to graduate students for excellent scholarship and creative activity. The award will support a project that is part of a master's program. Award criteria include a project description, two faculty letters of recommendation, and willingness to provide a brief presentation of the project at the ARF annual brunch.

**Application Deadline: Typically in Spring** 

#### **Creative Endeavors Scholarship**

The creative endeavors scholarship is designed to encourage and support psychology students pursuing goals within their education that require the use of a creative process or design. If you are a psychology student that has innovative ideas you'd like to implement, a novel approach to researching a psychological topic you'd like to try OR any activity that you would generally define as "creative", please apply. (Ask Psychology Department for more info)

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Offered Through: The Psychology Department

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