

CALIFORNIA GRADUATE EQUITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Academic Year 2002-2003

For the Academic Year 2002-2003, we anticipate ten to twenty fellowships ranging in amounts from \$500 to \$4,500. Upon considering the eligibility criteria listed below, if you wish to apply for a fellowship, file a completed Graduate Equity Fellowship application with the Division of Graduate Studies, Thomas Administration Building, Room 132. *Once selected, you may be funded for up to four semesters, subject to maintaining satisfactory progress toward the completion of a graduate degree. However, you must reapply each spring semester by filing a new Graduate Equity Fellowship application with the Division of Graduate Studies. You must have on file for the 2002-2003 academic year, a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the Financial Aid Office in Joyal Administration Building, Room 296.*

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Academic Qualifications: The applicant must be admitted to California State University, Fresno. The applicant must be admitted to a graduate program, be enrolled in, and be making satisfactory progress toward the completion of a graduate degree program and satisfy all criteria for admission to such a program (i.e., be classified or conditionally classified). If you have not been admitted to a graduate program, you must file an application as required. For details concerning admission requirements, consult the current University Catalog. As a fellowship recipient you will be required to maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0, and to engage in full-time studies toward a graduate degree (i.e., enroll in 12 units or the equivalent each fall/spring semester; 200-series courses are weighted 1.5 per unit; upon verification by the Division of Graduate Studies, zero-unit enrollment in GS Continuation or GS 299 while completing a culminating experience may be considered full-time equivalent work). Your total number of units may not exceed the total for your graduate degree program as indicated in the University Catalog. You must become fully Classified and Advanced to Candidacy as soon as possible in order to have an approved course of study on file with the Fellowship Coordinator.

Purpose of the Fellowship: This program seeks to increase the diversity of students completing graduate degree programs in the CSU and encourages continuation on to doctoral programs and consideration of university faculty careers. It provides fellowships for economically disadvantaged graduate students, especially from groups that are underrepresented among graduate degree recipients in their areas of study, and promotes faculty mentoring and research opportunities.

Residency: The applicant must qualify as a resident of the State of California for payment of fees at the university.

Financial Need: The applicant must be prepared to demonstrate a minimum financial need of \$1,000. You must have filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for 2002-2003 and comply with all the standard requirements of the granting of financial assistance at CSUF. Also complete the attached application for Graduate Financial Assistance: Need Profile.

Conditions of the Fellowship: The successful recipients of this fellowship will be required to engage in a mentored activity for a minimum of 5 hours and a maximum of 20 hours per week, based on the amount of their award.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, June 7, 2002

Should you have questions about this program or about graduate programs in general, please contact Helen Martinez, Division of Graduate Studies, (559) 278-2448, e-mail <helen_martinez@csufresno.edu>.

Use a separate sheet(s) of paper to answer the following:

1. Indicate what academic achievements and/or preparation you have or will acquire that will ensure your success in doctoral studies.
2. Explain why you believe that your application demonstrates a fulfillment of the purposes of this fellowship program.
3. Describe your educational and career goals, your perception of the importance of acquiring an advanced degree, and your commitment to completing a graduate degree at California State University, Fresno.

Applicant Signature

Social Security #

Date

Return completed application to:

Helen Martinez, Special Projects Coordinator
Division of Graduate Studies
5241 N. Maple Ave., M/S TA 51
Thomas Administration Bldg., Room 132
Fresno, CA 93740-8027

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California State University, Fresno
Division of Graduate Studies

Application for Graduate Financial Assistance: Need Profile

This form must be completed so that your application may receive full consideration.

Identify any Scholarship/Fellowship/Assistantship for which you have applied or for which you intend to apply:

- ___ California Pre-doctoral Program
- ___ Forgivable Loan Program
- ___ Graduate Equity Fellowship
- ___ State Graduate Fellowship
- ___ Teaching Assistantships/Dept. _____
- ___ Other (Identify) _____
- ___ Other (Identify) _____

Student's Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Master's/Doctoral Program _____

2002-03 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) filed: Yes No
Date filed: _____

Did you receive financial aid in 2001-2002? Yes No

If "yes," give details concerning your award (name, amount, etc.) _____

Please answer all the following questions.

1. Were you claimed as an exemption on your parents' 2001 tax returns? Yes No

2. If you answered "yes" on #1, then skip to #3

2a. Are you presently married? Yes No

2b. Do you own a home _____ or rent? _____

3. Do you live at home with your parents? Yes No

4. How many family members lived in your home in 2001-2002? (count yourself) _____

5. How many members of your household attended college at least half time in 2001-2002?
(count yourself) _____

STUDENT'S RESOURCES, ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

List all sources of income that you received during the academic year 2001-2002. (If you marked "yes" to #1, on the previous page, then include your parents' information in your response to each of the following questions.)

RESOURCES:

- a. Earnings (all sources) \$ _____
- b. Family Support \$ _____
- c. Interest Earnings \$ _____
- d. Scholarship/Assistantships Awarded \$ _____

Total Resources + \$ _____

ASSETS:

- a. Cash and Savings \$ _____
- b. Stocks and Bonds \$ _____
- c. Other Assets (excluding personal belongings) \$ _____

Total Assets + \$ _____

LIABILITIES:

- a. Loans (including Student and Home Loans) \$ _____
- b. Other debts \$ _____

Total Debts - \$ _____

NET WORTH = \$ _____

PROJECTED COST OF ATTENDANCE AT CSUF FOR 2002-2003

Instructions: Enter an amount for each of the following items that applies to you; if not applicable, indicate "N/A." Upon request, you must be prepared to document each item. **If you are not certain of an exact figure, please estimate the approximate cost.**

Item	Amount
Tuition/Fees	
University Application Fee (\$55)	\$ _____
Fees/Tuition 9 months (Fall 2002, Spring 2003) *	_____
Fees/Tuition 3 months (Summer 2003)	_____
Parking (Fall \$54; Spring \$54; Summer \$36)	_____
GRE/GMAT preparation seminar fees	_____
GRE/GMAT test fees	_____
Amount due to be paid back on educational loan	_____
Application for the master's degree to be granted (\$35)	_____
Room/Board	
Room/Board/Utilities 9 months (Fall 2002, Spring 2003)	_____
Room/Board/Utilities 3 months (Summer 2003)	_____
Supplies/Materials	
Books and study supplies	_____
Lab fees associated with coursework	_____
Transportation associated with internship or fieldwork	_____
Fees for copies of documents needed for professional placement	_____
Personal	
Initial costs for transportation to Fresno to begin graduate studies	_____
Monthly expense to commute to CSUF: car/insurance	_____
Medical/health insurance	_____
Other Medical/Dental	_____
Spouse/Children	_____
Child care	_____
Professional Development	
Required travel to professional meetings	_____
Professional conference registration	_____
Professional organization membership	_____
Professional journal subscription	_____
Other fee-based seminars	_____
University lecture series	_____
Other _____	_____
Total	_____

* **Note:** Graduate Equity Fellowship recipients must enroll in 12 units or the equivalent each fall/spring semester ; 200-series courses are weighted 1.5 per unit; upon verification by the Graduate Office, zero-unit enrollment in GS Continuation or GS 299 while completing a culminating experience may be considered full-time equivalent work.

I certify that the above information is true and correct.

Signature (ink)

Date

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Graduate Office Use Only

Student's need (Costs less Resources) \$ _____

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COMMENTS: Explain any special circumstances that might affect your financial status.
(Use additional sheets if necessary.)