Each year California State University, Fresno’s Division of Graduate Studies identifies its most talented students for selection to the scholarship programs described in this brochure. The Division of Graduate Studies is responsible for managing these competitive programs for award recipients on our campus.

Since the inception of these award programs, students have benefitted in numerous ways, including serving the community; conducting, presenting, and publishing cutting-edge research; and pursuing doctoral studies. A key element in achieving this success is student-faculty mentorship. Under the sponsorship of a campus faculty member, the student undertakes the completion of a jointly developed academic career plan.

Please consider becoming an applicant or faculty mentor for these programs. I know that it will be a hallmark in your career as a graduate student or faculty member.

Sharon Brown-Welty, Dean
Division of Graduate Studies
There are many financial opportunities for graduate students today. Our university continues to search for ways to provide funding to help you support your graduate study. Scholarships, grants, fellowships, forgivable loans, assistantships, and student loans are available. Additional information on each of the following financial opportunities is available at our Website: www.csufresno.edu/gradstudies/financial

**President's Graduate Scholars Fellowships**
for new entering students
Two $3,500 merit-based awards are available each year with the possibility of recipients qualifying for a second year of the award, assuming conformance with developed standards and the need for a second year to complete the master’s course of study. Nominees must be incoming first-semester graduate students nominated by their department faculty.

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**Graduate Equity Fellowship Program**
These fellowships enable students from historically underrepresented backgrounds to pursue their master’s degrees with financial assistance in amounts up to $4,500 per academic year for four semesters. Applicants must have filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the University Scholarship office.

**Non-Resident Tuition Waivers**
for new entering students
Approximately seven are available each academic year. The call for nominations is each spring semester. Faculty nominate prospective students for this funding.

**Graduate Student Research and Creative Activities Merit Awards**
Competitive research merit awards in amounts up to $1,000 are made in recognition of the merit and scholarship of a graduate student's dissertation, thesis, or research project.

**Robert & Norma Craig Graduate Fellowships**
This fellowship, with a stipend of up to $1,000, is designed to provide benefits to both students and faculty. The fellowship seeks to increase research opportunities by engaging students in mentored activities with faculty assistance.

**California Pre-Doctoral Program**
This program is designed to increase the pool of potential faculty by supporting the doctoral aspirations of California State University students who have experienced economic and educational disadvantages. Scholars and their faculty mentors are awarded $3,000 to travel to doctoral institutions and national conferences to enhance their entrance into doctoral study. Summer internships are also available for selected scholars.

**Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program**
This program provides student loans to a limited number of individuals pursuing full-time doctoral degrees at accredited universities throughout the United States. After participants receive their doctoral degrees and obtain a qualifying instructional position in the CSU, a portion of their loan from this program will be forgiven every year.

**Travel Grants**
Travel grants are available throughout the year to students who have been invited to present a paper or poster at a major professional association conference or society meeting. All materials must be submitted at least three weeks prior to the conference/meeting.

**APPLICATIONS**
Applications for all financial opportunities are available from the Division of Graduate Studies office located in Room 130 of the Thomas Administration Building or at our Web site:

www.csufresno.edu/gradstudies/

**APPLICATION SUBMISSION**
Submit a completed application and supporting documentation by the deadlines listed at the DGS website to:

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION**
Should you have questions please contact the Division of Graduate Studies 559.278.2448 or visit our website.

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