



The GAP
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The Graduate and Research Affairs office will be closed Monday, December 21st through Monday, January 4th. We will reopen Tuesday, January 5th with our regular office hours. Monday – Friday 8a.m. - 4:30pm.

THESIS DEADLINES

December 18TH – Noon deadline

Dec. 18th (at noon) deadline – for depositing thesis cleared by the Thesis Reviewer to Montezuma Publishing assuring Fall 2009 graduation. NOTE: If you do not meet this deadline, you will need to reapply for Spring 2010 graduation.

***January 8th (noon) deadline** – Final day to submit thesis to Division of Graduate Affairs without having to enroll in 799B the following semester. You will still need to reapply for Spring 2010 graduation if you do not meet the December 18th deadline listed above. *Please note- this date has been extended beyond the final day of the fall semester to compensate for mandatory campus closures.

OTHER DEADLINES

December 11th

Final day for departments to report successful completion of comprehensive examination to the Graduate Division.

Transfer Units

Notice regarding Open University and Special Session Courses:

Transfer units include any courses brought in from another institution, as well as courses taken by non-matriculated students through Open University and Special Session toward master's degree credit.

For most masters's degree programs, the maximum transferable course units is 9; including courses taken through the College of Extended Studies. **Courses taken through Open University and Special Sessions prior to matriculation will count towards the maximum transferable units allowed in a master's degree.**

GA/TA

A student with only his/her comprehensive exam to complete may still be a TA or GA if he/she enrolls in 799C (Comprehensive Exam) through the College of Extended Studies. Students may obtain the enrollment form from the Graduate and Research Affairs office and may only enroll in CES 799C a maximum of two times.



The MyGap program continues to generate tremendous interest from thousands of prospective graduate students. While many of our graduate programs are utilizing the *personalized auto-generated response letters* to communicate with future Aztecs, we know that a significant number are still **not taking advantage** of this simple, effective, and entirely free recruitment tool.

For more information on how to maximize the potential of MyGap for your program, please contact Janet Rodgers at *45215 or jrodgers@mail.sdsu.edu

If you currently have the MyGAP logo on your website please change:

The current url from:

https://emt.askadmissions.net/sdsu_grad/emtinterestpage.aspx?ip=graduate

To new url:

<http://sdsugrad.askadmissions.net/emtinterestpage.aspx?ip=graduate>

\$Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program\$

Applications 2009-2010

<http://www.calstate.edu/hr/cdip/>

Loans Available to Promising Doctoral Students

The purpose of this program is to increase the number of promising full-time doctoral students (lecturers are eligible and encouraged to apply) who are interested in applying and competing for future instructional faculty positions at any one of our 23 CSU campuses. The program seeks to accomplish this goal by providing financial aid in the form of loans to doctoral students with the motivation, skills, and experience needed to teach the diverse student body of the CSU.

- Loans of up to \$10,000 per year up to a total of \$30,000 within a 5 year period.
- Loans obtained through the 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.
- This program requires a CSU faculty mentor sponsor the student.

- New or continuing students who will be in doctoral programs at accredited universities anywhere in the United States during the 2010/2011 academic year may apply.
- CDIP is designed as a recruitment incentive program open to all graduate students at accredited institutions who are not probationary or tenured faculty members in the CSU.
- **Lecturers are eligible and encouraged to apply.**

The deadline for SDSU applications is **February 26, 2010**.

All details of this loan program as well as an application request can be found at <http://www.calstate.edu/hr/cdip/>

For more information regarding this program please contact jrogers@mail.sdsu.edu

\$SDSU Sally Casanova Pre-doctoral\$
Application 2010-2011

<http://www.calstate.edu/PreDoc/index.shtml>

This program offers graduate students who are interested in doctoral programs the opportunity to explore doctoral study with a cash award of \$2000 to the student and \$1000 to the faculty mentor. **The money can be used for travel expenses to prospective universities, applications to prospective universities, conferences, attending seminars, subscriptions to publications etc. You will also be given a free GRE prep test.**

Students who receive this award are given the opportunity to participate in one of University of California's summer research internship programs during the summer of 2010. Funding for the summer research internship covers 8-10 week period generally beginning sometime in June and ending in August. The award amount is agreed upon between the institution and the Pre-Doctoral Program Office. Funding generally covers housing, meals, transportation, and program participation costs that are deemed reasonable for the institution. A separate stipend is also awarded to the scholar, dependent upon available budget

All details of this scholarship program can be found on www.CalState.edu/predoc.

Completed Application packets are to be submitted to the Graduate and Research Affairs office by **March 8, 2010**.

For more information regarding this program please contact jrogers@mail.sdsu.edu

2010 Student Research Symposium

SDSU is pleased to announce the 3rd annual [Student Research Symposium](#) (SRS). All SDSU students involved in original scholarship are encouraged to participate. The SRS showcases student research, scholarship and creative activity through oral and poster presentations. SRS awardees may also compete in the 2010 CSU Student Research Competition. Online registration is open via the Division of Research Affairs' website and closes on February 1, 2010. The SRS is a two-day event scheduled for March 5th and 6th, 2010 at the Aztec Center. Please encourage your students to participate and sign up to serve as a SRS judge. Both students and judges can register at: <http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/~gra/grad/SRS2010/reglog.html>"

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!