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Graduate Equity Fellowship Program

Application Deadline September 22, 2009

The Graduate Equity Fellowship is a California grant program administered by Graduate and Research Affairs. Award amounts range from \$500 to \$4,500 per year for up to four semesters.

Qualification Guidelines

- California resident
- Enrolled **fulltime** (minimum 9 units a semester) as a classified, conditionally classified, or certificate-program student
- Maintains a 3.00 GPA
- Economically disadvantaged – Need to show a minimum of \$1000 in financial need as determined by the Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships
- Complete [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA)
- A brief essay

Applications for the Graduate Equity Fellowship are available from the Graduate and Research Office or on-line at: http://gra.sdsu.edu/file_upload/GradEquityFlshpApp07.doc

Student awards will be announced October, 2009 for both incoming and continuing students. Students will be notified by the Scholarship office of their awards.

Fall 2009 New Graduate Student Orientation

The date for our fall graduate orientation will be **Wednesday, August 26, 2009, from 8:30 to 11:45 a.m.** Please try and plan your department orientation on the same day immediately following ours. Contact Janet Rodgers at jrodgers@mail.sdsu.edu with your time, location etc so that we can include this information on the orientation program.

GRA will be sending out an invitation in early August to all new fall graduate students. Students may register for the orientation at <http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/~gra/RegisterGrad.php>

There will be a Graduate Teaching Assistant workshop held at 2:00 p.m. that same day. Please advise your GTAs to attend this workshop. If you have suggestions for enriching the workshop or would like to participate, please contact Janet Rodgers at jrodgers@mail.sdsu.edu

Thesis Deadlines

April 7th – May 26th

Thesis will be accepted on an at-risk basis. By submitting your completed thesis for review to GRA at-risk you are not guaranteed that your thesis will be reviewed in time to be submitted to Montezuma Publishing by the noon deadline of May 20, 2008.

May 21st- Noon Deadline

For depositing thesis cleared by the Thesis Reviewer to Montezuma Publishing assuring Spring 2009 graduation. NOTE: If you do not meet this deadline, you will need to reapply for Summer 2009 graduation.

When submitting approved Doctoral Dissertations to the Graduate Division for Spring 2009 graduation, the Joint University's deadlines apply.

May 26th – Noon Deadline

Final day to submit thesis to the Graduate Division without having to enroll in thesis 799B the following semester. You will still need to apply for Summer 2009 graduation if you do not meet the May 21st deadline listed above.

Other GRA Deadlines

May 1st

Final day for submission of Incomplete and Report in Progress grade removals for graduation with an advanced degree. Grade changes can be confirmed via Web Portal.

May 15th

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

California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education

Spring 2009 at California State University, San Marcos

Saturday, April 25, 2009 -- 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The forum is now in its 19th year. This year's forum will be held at CSU San Marcos on Saturday, April 25th. There will be over 1500 students in attendance, representing over 40 Southern California universities. Students must meet the criteria listed below in order to receive an invitation to attend.

- Sophomore, junior, or senior class standing or candidacy for a master's degree
- Grade-point average (3.0 or higher)
- Promise of success in graduate work
- Faculty recommendations
- Membership in a group underrepresented in higher education

As you can see by the current headcount report below there will be over 300 students representing SDSU at this forum. You may click on SDSU to see the students who have registered to attend. The list continues on the next page.

Headcount Report

College	Count
Cal Poly Pomona	77
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo	28
California Baptist	3
Chapman University	9
Claremont McKenna College	5
CSU Channel Islands	46
CSU Dominguez Hills	65
CSU East Bay	3
CSU Fresno	10
CSU Fullerton	72
CSU Long Beach	33
CSU Los Angeles	50
CSU Northridge	58
CSU San Bernardino	68
CSU San Marcos	181
Harvey Mudd College	1
Loyola Marymount University	20
Occidental College	28

Other	38
Pacific Oaks College	1
Pitzer College	6
Pomona College	7
San Diego State	330
San Francisco State	2
Scripps College	4
UC Irvine	29
UC Los Angeles	66
UC Riverside	27
UC San Diego	214
UC Santa Barbara	60
UC Santa Cruz	3
University of La Verne	17
University of Redlands	2
University of San Diego	49
University of Southern California	87
Whittier College	3
Grand Total	1702

Hobson's Connect



Take Advantage of Online Recruiting!

In September 2007 Graduate and Research Affairs implemented an internet-based recruiting program through **Hobsons EMT**. The transition to online recruiting has increased the pool of prospective SDSU graduate students, and given academic departments the exciting opportunity to communicate directly with future Aztecs.

Online recruiting has become a standard practice for universities around the country. In fact, **17 CSU** campuses currently utilize **Hobsons EMT** technology. With budget cuts limiting our ability to meet prospective students face-to-face, online recruiting has become vital to the growth of our graduate programs.

Coordinators and advisers should be receiving an Excel file through automated weekly email. (EMT Connect Export File) These files contain the names and contact information

of students who have requested information about a specific graduate program at SDSU. While the Graduate Division will provide these students with general information about campus life and services, it is up to the departments to provide specific information on their program

Attached is a list of departments, the number of students that have requested information about that department, and the departmental contact currently receiving Hobsons-EMT email. If you would like to change the contact, or add additional contacts, please contact the Graduate Division. We can also provide a list of students that have requested information about your department dating all the way back to the implementation of online recruiting in 2007.

Graduate and Research Affairs is committed to making online recruiting a success at SDSU. We encourage all of our departments to take full advantage of this service, and will provide any assistance necessary to make your online recruiting efforts successful. Please contact jrodgers@mail.sdsu.edu for more specific information.