November 23, 2015

**Graduate School Dean's Fellowship**

The Graduate School Dean's Fellowship will award five fellowships of $20,000 annually to doctoral students in the final year of degree work. The Graduate School will also provide a full tuition scholarship* in support of each fellowship. The competition is for Academic Year 2016-17. Fellowships are competitive, with awardees chosen by a selection committee and final decisions sanctioned by the Dean of the Graduate School, Dr. Marshall “Chip” Montrose. Eligible students are those with a dissertation committee established and who will have all coursework completed by the beginning of Fall Semester, 2016. The fellowship entails a commitment of two semesters of full-time dissertation work. Thus nominations should not include those who will graduate prior to spring term 2017. Nominations are limited to one from each doctoral program and are made by the graduate program director in consultation with program faculty. The director’s letter of nomination must provide reasonable assurance that the dissertation is proceeding on schedule for graduation in spring term 2017 or summer term 2017.

The expectation is that recipients will produce superior scholarship that enhances the reputation of their program, department and the University of Cincinnati. The Graduate School reserves the right to award fewer than five fellowships if the quality of submissions is judged to be less than optimal.

**Submission Requirements**

1. Letter of nomination by the graduate program director
2. A recommendation letter from the student’s dissertation chair stating the student’s qualifications for the award and potential for leadership in the discipline
3. At least one other letter of recommendation from a faculty member familiar with the student’s academic and creative or research/scholarly accomplishments
4. Student submission of a statement (up to two pages) describing creative and/or scholarly accomplishments, especially the significance in the discipline
5. A two-page resume that includes current contact information for the student
6. Student submission of plans (up to two pages) for the dissertation work during the fellowship year, including (a) approximate date of dissertation defense and graduation term and (b) number of credits still required to complete the degree before the start of academic year 2016-2017.
7. A PDF copy of *one* representative paper given at meetings of the student’s society and/or academic journal publications or other media that features creative work

**Fellowship Responsibilities**

- Register full-time (12 credits or more) for fall and spring semester 2016-17
- Register for ENGL 9010, *Dissertation Writing* by Larua Micciche, preferably in Fall 2016
- No teaching or research employment at UC or elsewhere
- Preparation and delivery in March or April 2017 of a conference-style paper or performance or exhibition at a seminar or colloquium in the student’s program of study

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* The tuition scholarships provided by the Graduate School do not cover the ITIE, or any program or college fees.
Acknowledgement of the Graduate School Dean's Fellowship in publications resulting from work done during the fellowship year

By Friday, January 15, 2016, 5 p.m., submit fellowship applications and supporting documents identified with authorship and nominee’s name to Megan Tischner. Whenever possible, submit all materials electronically as a single PDF in the order listed above. Applications may be emailed to megan.tischner@uc.edu or delivered on a CD or thumb drive to 110 Van Wormer Hall, ML 0627.

The programs and nominators are responsible for submitting all requested materials for the fellowship. Programs will NOT be notified if materials are missing and the nominee will NOT be allowed to add anything missing or update materials after the deadline.

Announcement of awardees will be made on February 17, 2016. Please contact Associate Dean Margaret Hanson (margaret.hanson@uc.edu) if you need further information.