

Stern Dissertation Fellowship for Advanced Graduate Students Application for Academic Year 2008-2009

Stern Dissertation Year Fellowships will be awarded for up to 3 advanced graduate students in the write-up stage of their dissertation. These fellowships will be funded in part from a generous endowment established by Katherine Stern.

Awardees must be advanced graduate students with all degree requirements met except the dissertation, and this within sight of completion. The Fellows are expected to be in their final year at Duke. Students who have already received Graduate School support aimed to facilitate final completion of the dissertation, such as a Named Instructorship or a Library Internship, are not eligible for this award.

Each fellowship will be awarded for nine months beginning September, 2008, and will include an annual stipend of at least \$18,980, academic year registration fees, as well as recreation and health fees. In addition, the Graduate School will pay the health insurance premium for recipients who purchase the Duke student health plan.

All nominations should be delivered to Cyndi Duke in the Graduate School office, 127 Allen Building, no later than November 2, 2007 at 12:00 noon. ***Departments may nominate no more than three (3) students.*** Every effort will be made to announce decisions by the end of the fall semester.

Application Requirements:

- Applicants must have completed ***all*** degree requirements except the dissertation by April 27, 2008, ***including prelim***;
- Applicants are expected to be in their final year at Duke University.
- Students who have already received Graduate School support aimed to facilitate final completion of the dissertation, such as a Named Instructorship or a Library Internship are not eligible for this award.
- No other award (whether fellowship or service-related, such as an instructorship) may be held concurrently with this fellowship without special permission from the Dean.

Submission Requirements:

One copy of the following original documentation should be given to your DGS assistant.

- Completed cover sheet (see the following page)
- Curriculum Vitae
- Brief description of dissertation project including timetable for completion- not to exceed three (3) pages
 - Formatting should be 1" margins, 1.5 line spacing, arial 10 point font. Should you choose to include a bibliography, it will not be included in the page count, but should not exceed one (1) page.
- Letter of recommendation from DGS
- Letter of recommendation from Dissertation Supervisor
- Original transcript

The DGS Assistant will then make eight copies (**collated and stapled**) of your application packet and submit it, along with the original, to the Graduate School.

***Please note – Incomplete applications will be returned to the department. Applications received after the deadline date will not be accepted.**

Fellowship Application Cover Sheet

The following section to be completed by the applicant

Applicant Name: _____

Department: _____

Campus Address including Box No. _____

Name of the fellowship for which you are applying:

Date prelim was successfully completed / Projected date of prelim:

Matriculation Date: _____

THE FOLLOWING SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT:

Departmental Ranking:

This applicant is ranked _____ out of _____

Checklist of items to be submitted in this order:

- ___ Completed Coversheet
- ___ Curriculum Vitae
- ___ Brief description of dissertation project
- ___ Letter of recommendation from DGS
- ___ Letter of recommendation from Dissertation Supervisor
- ___ Transcript
- ___ One (1) original and eight (8) copies