Doctoral Fellowship Proposal Summer Development Award

Up to 5 Awards

The goal of the program is to support doctoral students over the summer in the year the award is made in the development and writing of a fellowship or grant proposal, which will be submitted to external funding sources in the following academic year.

Proposals will be judged on the basis of their scientific merit and fit with the selected external funding source. The students must be enrolled in a doctoral program at New York University’s Steinhardt School. Preference may be given to proposals to external agencies that are underway and for which feasibility is demonstrated.

Students will meet throughout the summer (2012) as a group to write, read, and develop individual proposals, which will be submitted to external funding agencies (NIH, NSF, IES, Ford Foundation, etc). Support will be provided as hourly compensation. In-person attendance at the monthly summer meetings will be mandatory as these meetings are run in workshop style to help you develop your proposals while working with members of our office as well as with other funded students. Meetings will take place on the following dates: June 14, July 19 and August 16, 2013 from 11am to 2pm.

Criteria for evaluation

- The extent to which the development work during the summer will lead to a grant submission in the following academic year
- Significance and potential for advancing the field of study
- Innovation in area to be studied
- Well articulated plan for submitting grant for external funding
- Feasibility of undertaking the project
- Experience and potential of the project investigator to develop the grant

Eligibility and Restrictions

- All Doctoral candidates with approved dissertation proposals are eligible to apply. Candidates without approved dissertation proposals may submit a letter from their committee chair stating progress towards approval and support
- Awards may not exceed 12 months without prior approval from the Steinhardt Office of Research
- Students may only receive this award one time during their studies
- Students must have at least 10 hours a week of available student employment time to commit to the program. As per NYU policy you are not able to work in excess of 30 hours per week so if you have paid commitments to other NYU projects you may need to adjust your time.

Doctoral Fellowship Proposal Summer Development Award Proposal Criteria
The proposal must contain the following elements

1) Complete application cover page
2) 500 word abstract of dissertation proposal
3) 1-page statement of the student’s research experience and progress toward degree completion
   a. Should not exceed 1 page (Arial 11 pt font, 1/2” margins, single spaced) including all pictures, graphs, and tables.
4) Dissertation proposal approval signature page
5) Current CV (5 page limit)
6) Name and source of at least one external funding opportunity to which your proposal will be submitted in the next academic year
7) Letter of support and commitment from the student’s mentor indicating willingness to work with the student the development of his/her external funding application
8) If required, a letter from your committee chair stating progress towards dissertation approval