LA BOR Graduate Fellowships

ASP Meeting
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Graduate Fellowships Purpose

The Traditional Graduate Fellows (GF) Subprogram was created at the inception of the Graduate Fellows Program; the Board became a full participant in the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB)-State Doctoral Scholars Program in FY 2007-08 and, as a result, established the Board of Regents/SREB Graduate Fellowships to Promote Diversity Subprogram (BoR/SREB), adding it to the Graduate Fellows component. The Traditional Subprogram primarily supports excellent doctoral-level fellows, but also allows stipends for students in master’s-level programs of distinction.

*Note: Given the traditional GF and BoR/SREB expense and limited impact, the Board has determined that graduate student support would be better provided through R&D and Enhancement awards through permanently endowed scholarship funds. The standalone fellowship subprograms were suspended for new awards beginning in FY 17-18.
Existing Types of Graduate Fellowships

• Traditional Graduate Fellows (GF)
  – 5 year duration
  – SREB (Southern Regional Education Board Membership and Administrative Services ($5,000)

• Graduate Fellowships for Teachers (GFT)
  – 2 year duration

• Traditional GF will be phasing out
Current Types of Graduate Fellowships

• BOR/SREB Doctoral Support Initiative
  – Provides up to ten (10) support slots per year
  – Includes an academic-year supplement for student support, membership in SREB’s (Southern Regional Education Board), and participation in SREB’s annual Institute on Teaching and Mentoring.

• Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships
  – Matches non-State contributions of at least $60,000

• Graduate Fellow contracts begin on August 1st
Level of Fellowships

• Doctoral Level Fellowship
• Master Level Fellowship
• Awarded amounts vary
• The period of the contracts exceed the number of years allocated to the graduate fellow on the contract.
• PI’s recruit superior students and award previously unfilled positions through the first semester of the second academic year.
• Otherwise written permission of the Board is required for any awards made after the first semester of the second academic year which would not allow the student to complete his/her degree program prior to the end of the contract term.
• Contracts are budgeted for each award year based on the amount of the award. The Board determines the amount of the award.
Reporting Schedule

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- Due dates above are BOR due dates. SPA due dates are prior to BOR due dates and are listed in the Accounting Services newsletter. SPA usually sends a reminder email to PIs and departments.
BOR Graduate Fellowship Forms

GRADUATE FELLOWS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Attached are Graduate Fellow report forms that will need to complete and submit to the Board of Regents during the term of your contract.

Summary of enclosed forms:

Form 2C: Cover report form. This form is submitted along with Forms 2C-2 and 2C-3.

Form 2C-1: Results of Recruitment Activities. This form is only submitted once and is due October 1st of the first year the contract is issued.

Form 2C-2: Annual Progress Report. Submit along with Form 2C. Due each year of the contract, on May 30th.

Forms 2C-3: Status Report forms and instructions. Submit along with Form 2C. Biannual report due each year of the contract, on October 1st and January 31st.

Form 2C-4: Final Project Report. Due the year of the termination of contract. The Project Report must be submitted within 30 days, and the Expenditures Report (via LOGAN) within 90 days of the termination of the contract.

Submit all forms to:

Carrie Robison
Associate Commissioner for Sponsored Programs Administration
Louisiana Board of Regents
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Questions?